Altarnun Parish Council "RO AN HAL"

DRAFT Minutes of **Altarnun Parish Council (APC)** meeting held at Altarnun Village Hall, Wednesday 3rd November 2021 which commenced at 8.37 pm. Cllr Bloomfield welcomed all in attendance.

APC members present Cllr Bloomfield (Chair), Cllr Branch, Cllr W Smith, Cllr Wendon (joined meeting in progress) & Cllr Kendall. **Also present:** Mr R Turner - parish clerk, Cornwall Cllr Adrian Parsons and one member of the public.

162/21 Apologies for absence: Cllr Marsh, Cllr P Smith, Cllr Dowler, Cllr Hoskin, Cllr Green & Cllr Coles.

163/21 Members Declaration of Interest and requests for dispensations. None received.

164/21 Invitation for members of the public/ward councillor to address the meeting.

Cllr Parsons reported to the meeting with regard to the transport plan consultation presently taking place to devise a 10year strategy for personal travel and movement of goods, Cornwall Council finances and central governments grant fund to assist councils such as Cornwall who are in an overspend position.

165/21 To approve the minutes of the APC Meeting held on 6th October 2021. It was proposed by Cllr Kendall, seconded by Cllr Bloomfield, then **resolved** that the minutes of the APC meeting held on 6th October 2021 were correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chair.

166/21 Matters arising from minutes of APC Meeting 6th October 2021 and not included in this agenda. None.

167/21 Finance Matters:

The RFO reported the following:

-VAT claim to 30.9.2021 £311.47 submitted.

-CIL payment £697.50 re PA19/02323 Gwel Teg, Higher Treween, advised 28.10.2021 and credit expected.

-Q2 (July-Sept 2021) internal finance check signed off by Cllr Branch with no issues or concerns. Fin Regs 2.2 observed.

The RFO advised three accounts due for payment as follows:

-Smart Brothers £408 parish & cemetery maintenance Chq 1310

-AAV Services £35 grass cutting, Bolventor chq 1311

--Helloprint £76.78 (VAT £12.80) re banner chq 1312.

Cllr Bloomfield proposed to raise payment for all, Cllr W Smith seconded, it was resolved to pay these accounts.

Cllr Wendon joined the meeting.

168/21 Planning Applications: 2 applications forwarded by Cornwall Council invited consultee comment:

Application PA21/09513 Proposal Demolition of an existing bungalow and garage to allow the construction of a new single storey dwelling Location Glenfield Treween Altarnun Applicant Mr Matthew Cooper After discussion, clarifying the planning documents and applicants intentions, Cllr Kendall proposed & Cllr W Smith seconded to approve the following consultee comment to Cornwall Council Planning & Sustainable Development Office, which was unanimously resolved. 'Altarnun Parish Council supports this application but requests, in the absence of pre application advice being given, that the design code contained within the Local Plan is followed'.

Application PA21/09204 **Proposal** Change of use from farm dwelling to unrestricted residential dwelling **Location** Riverside Bolventor **Applicant** Mr and Mrs D Vickery.

After discussion, clarifying the planning documents and applicants intentions, Cllr Kendall proposed & Cllr W Smith seconded to approve the following consultee comment to Cornwall Council Planning & Sustainable Development Office, which was unanimously resolved. 'Altarnun Parish Council supports this application'.

169/21 Planning Decisions from Cornwall Council: Two applications were reported as **approved**, being PA21/08406, & PA21/07992.

For further details about any planning decision, note the reference number and go to the Cornwall Council website http://planning.cornwall.gov.uk/online-applications/

170/21 Pre-App Planning: It was reported, for information only, that no pre application planning engagements were advised by Cornwall Council in the past month.

171/21 How we can improve our vision and experience of Cornwall Council- consultation response.

The clerk reported Cllr Jordan's acknowledgement of the APC comment submitted following the October meeting. Members discussed the content of the recent leisure centre consultation which they felt was unnecessarily ambiguous. Being a well used community asset, the loss of Launceston Leisure Centre would be potentially detrimental. It was agreed that there was a high degree of certainty that members of the public responding to the questionnaire may well have mis interpreted some sections.

Cllr Kendall proposed that a request be made to make future consultations unambiguous and easier to respond to. Cllr Branch seconded and it was then resolved to put this request forward.

172/21 Code of Conduct. The clerk reminded members must undertake regular training and that a record is being maintained in response to the recommendation of the Committee of Standards in Public life Local Government Ethical Standards 2019. Key actions and behaviours in relation to the code were discussed.

173/21 Clerks Annual Review. Cllr Bloomfield advised that the members' annual appraisal found the clerks work to be fully satisfactory and as a result, benchmarking the role against National Assn of Local Councils /Cornwall Assn of Local Council guidelines, determines the pay point on The National Joint Council for Local Government Services pay scales to be between SCP 16 (above substantive range) in pay scales LC1 and SCP 23 (below substantive range) in pay scales LC2. The role is currently paid at SCP 10 in pay scales LC1. Working within an approved budget it was mutually agreed that pay scale, SCP 16, could apply with effect 1.11.2021, subject to final approval and resolution. Cllr Kendall proposed approval that the clerks contract be amended with effect from 1.11.2021 to reflect an increase to SCP16. Cllr W Smith seconded. The motion was unanimously **resolved**. Cllr Bloomfield undertook to finalise and sign an amendment to the clerks contract. A review as at 1.11.2022 will follow.

174/21 Cornwall AONB – Monumental Improvement. Letter of grant support and donation request.

After lengthy debate, ClIr Bloomfield proposed APC declines, under advice to Cornwall AONB, to give support or donate to this initiative at this time citing the absence of sufficient financial information of the scheme to date, and perceived equivocation of future aims. ClIr Wendon seconded the proposal which was **resolved**. The clerk undertook to forward the minutes of the meeting to Cornwall AONB.

175/21 Correspondence – for information only.

Cornwall Council Street works team - notice of closure 15-19 November Casamoor to A30 roundabout

Cornwall Council Street works team - notice of closure 17- 21 January 2022 Blackhill - Codda

Community Link Officer – Launceston Leisure Centre public meeting 13.11.2021

Cornwall Assn Local Councils – recommendations of the board of directors.

176/21 Advise date & venue of the next Council Meeting as 1st December 2021 to be held in Altarnun Village Hall. Date and venue confirmed.

Cllr Bloomfield closed the meeting at 10.12pm