

Minutes of Cornworthy Annual Parish Meeting

Held in The Village Hall on **Monday 4th April 2016 at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllrs: Carver (Chairman), Hunt, Kirkland, Matthews, Worthington, Bradley
In Attendance: County Cllr Hawkins, 1 member of the public
Marion Foster (Clerk to Cornworthy Parish Council)

PREAMBLES

Emergency Exits indicated

Apologies Cllr Taylor, District Cllr Tucker

REPORTS

Chairman's Report (Cllr Carver)

The Chairman thanked all the Councillors, past and present, for their time, effort and support through the last year, the two new Councillors, and District Councillor Tucker and County Councillor Hawkins for their attendance at meetings. The Chairman also thanked the Parish Clerk for her efforts and support together with all the many volunteers who give their time to help the Parish.

Accounts (Presented by the Clerk – Marion Foster)

The accounts for the year ending 31st March 2016 had been completed and were circulated at the meeting. The Clerk reported on a repayment from HMRC of £292.00 that had been outstanding for 2 years, membership payments were down due to non-renewal of SLCC, and office expenses up due to a cartridge purchase for the printer. There was a total surplus income over expenditure of £2,709.36 for the year.

Bank Balance at 31.03.2016	Current Account	£8,037.61
	Savings Account	£3,245.59
	Total	<u>£11,283.20</u>
Allocated as follows:	Charlecombe Wood	£108.01
	P3 (Parish Footpaths)	£119.61
	Parish Council	£11,055.58

Cllr Carver proposed, seconded by Cllr Bradley, that the Accounts be approved and signed by the Chairman. All were in agreement.

Defibrillator (Presented by Cllr Kirkland, Defibrillator Co-ordinator)

Defibrillator Training would take place on the 7th May 2016.

There were no current problems with the unit and it continued to be in good order.

Dame Elizabeth Harris and John Peter Charity Trustees (Presented by Cllr Hunt)

During the financial year 2015 gifts were made to twenty one parishioners at a total figure of £656.00. The total funds shown in the year end accounts were £1014.55 in the current account at the Nat West Bank and £1625.44 in the deposit account.

The Trustees have agreed a one-year extension of the Farm Business Tenancy Agreement on the lease of the Hooper's Fields at Tideford to R and M Dunn.

The current Trustees are M Hartnell (Chairman), S Hunt, R O'Brien, R Porrit, P Cox and V Turner (Trustee and Clerk).

Footpath Coordinator (P3) (From Anne Shepherd, Co-ordinator - read by Clerk)

All parish footpaths were walked during December, January and February and the annual return documentation was submitted to Devon County Council on time by the 16th February.

The walks identified 8 maintenance/repair jobs for which funding has been requested to DCC. This includes the finger post that has come down on footpath 5 that was in the last Parish Council meeting minutes.

In addition the 'bridge' close to the end of Footpath 2 approaching Bow Close, Tuckenhay needs to be replaced. I have passed this onto DCC due to the size and potential cost of the job.

I await to hear (usually in April) from DCC how much, if any, funding has been allocated to Cornworthy.

As you know I have decided to relinquish the P3 role and have had several people show interest. Now the year end returns have been completed I will talk to those concerned and hopefully hand over responsibility.

Charlecombe Wood (Presented by Clerk on behalf of Chris Cadle)

Mr Cadle reported that he had little or no contact with the Woodland Trust and therefore nothing to report.

Village Hall (Presented by Cllr Carver - Chair of Village Hall Committee)

Repairs to the fascias and painting were ongoing, with scaffolding erected. The issue of damp in the small meeting room continued. There had been few events within the hall but the pancake day had been successful and had involved more of the younger members of the village.

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

As Cllr Carver was Chairman of the Committee the meeting felt it was unnecessary to have a further representative at this time.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for attending and the meeting closed at 7.45pm.

The next **Annual Parish Meeting** will be held on **Monday, 3rd April, 2017** at **7.30pm**