

## CORNWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes** of Cornworthy Parish Council meeting  
Held in the Village Hall on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 8.00 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs: Kirkland (Chairman) , Fry, Hunt, Matthews, Worthington,  
**In Attendance:** Linda Maby (Clerk), County Cllr Hawkins, District Cllr McKay

### **Draft minutes subject to change at next meeting**

#### **1.0 Preambles**

- 1.1 Emergency Exits
- 1.2 Apologies : Cllr Bradley (Vice Chairman), Cllr Carver

#### **2.0 Declarations of Interest : None**

#### **3.0 Minutes**

- 3.1 **Approval of Minutes** Clerk pointed out that the £500 donation from Cornworthy Rovers has not shown on the bank statement. This was removed from the minutes (item 8.1 (b)). Clerk will investigate with bank. The minutes **from the Parish Council Meeting held Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 were then approved by all and duly signed by Cllr Kirkland.**

***Items 10.1 and 9.5 from the agenda were covered next to allow District Cllr McKay to depart***

#### **10.0 Correspondence/Invitations**

- 10.1 Devon Carbon Plan/ Declaring an Ecological Emergency  
Cllr McKay discussed this issue with the meeting and pointed out that there was a lot of information to help the Parish Council prepare a declaration regarding the Climate Change Emergency. Cllr Fry agreed to be the council's champion in this respect and Cllr McKay will send through reference details/links for more information and local guidance.  
This will be an agenda item for future meetings.

#### **9.5 District Councillor Report**

- Cllr McKay gave alternative dates for the Planning Workshop in November and December. There are two councillors interested in attending as well as the clerk. Cllr McKay asked about the possibility of using Cornworthy Parish Hall as the venue. Clerk to confirm dates.
- Cllr McKay outlined his work with Localities Officers in a Task and Finish Group regarding local issues
- Cllr McKay reported that there had been a good response to the recent survey about the Harbertonford Village Shop/Post Office/ Pub. There were no surprises in the findings but the presence of a survey will help in the quest for funding. He also mentioned that Harbertonford are looking to make the main road safer, especially the zebra crossing area and are looking at options including speed limits.

#### **4.0 Matters Arising From Minutes**

- 4.1 Devon Air Ambulance Progress (item 4.3) : Recently the road to East Cornworthy was shut to allow an electric cable to be put under the road for the new spot lights for the Air Ambulance. Unfortunately, the cable has not been taken through the hedges to allow this to be completed even though the road was closed for 4 days. The contractor resurfaced the road, but the surface came out in a few hours. Clerk to investigate.
- 4.2 Budgets and Precepts Course (item 9.1): Clerk reported that this course had been very useful and highlighted some important issues. It reminded candidates that unless items purchased by the parish council remain in their ownership, VAT cannot be collected on

these by the council. To this end, the chairs and sack trucks bought recently will remain a council asset but will be available at all times for village hall use.

## 5.0 Local Issues

5.1 Current enforcement cases : no new cases

5.2 Preparing For Winter : a communication has been received from Devon County Council Highways regarding Snow Wardens, gritting bins and salt. Cllr Hunt is managing this situation as Snow Warden but clerk to inform Highways of damaged grit bin by the church.

## 6.0 Highways

See above

## 7.0 Planning

### Applications

7.1 **Court Prior Farm, Cornworthy TQ9 7ES Ref: 3141/19/LBC** Listed building consent for replacement porch windows, internal alterations and repair works to roof, chimneys and natural stone boundary wall **NO OBJECTIONS All in agreement**

### Decisions

7.2 **Dinahs Side Dittisham TQ6 0HZ 2001/19/ARC** Cornworthy : : Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 (materials) of planning consent 0663/19/LBC **Discharge of condition Approved**

7.3 **Lane End Stables Cornworthy Devon 2521/19/ARC** Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3 and 5 of planning consent 0978/19/ **Discharge of condition Approved**

## 8.0 Finance and Records

### 8.1 Receipts

(a) 24p bank interest -as at 9/10/2019

(b) £634.48 from Holly Ball fund for DAA Lighting Mast project(

### 8.2 Payments

(a) £264.16 - Mrs L Maby– Clerk's Salary October

Payment proposed by Cllr Hunt, seconded by Cllr Matthews

(b) Election Costs 2019 £76.12. To be covered in precept for payment in April 2020

### 8.3 Bank Balance at 12/8/2019

Total : £19,223.78 Current Account :£13,363.43 Savings Account £5,860.35

Allocated: Cornworthy PC: £18,673.89

Charlecombe Wood: £108.01 P3: £441.88

## 9.0 Reports

9.1 Clerk: clerk asked councillors to begin considering the budget for next year and issued preliminary budget figures. She advised that the council computer might be becoming unreliable and requested that plans are put in place for its replacement in due course. In the meantime, it was requested that a 1TB data storage device be purchased to back up all data which is currently being done on clerk's own device. Proposed by Cllr Kirkland and seconded by Cllr Fry. Clerk advised that the new Chair of Totnes Caring, Julie Foster, would like to visit a parish council meeting to outline her objectives. Cllrs would welcome this and clerk to invite Julie.

### 9.2 Tree Warden

9.3 Defibrillator : Cllr Kirkland reported the machine to be fine and had been brought down to Apple Day at the Hunters Pub for a potential emergency.

9.4 Village Hall: funds have recently been raised both from the Cornworthy Apple Day (£530) and a successful Pie and Pud Evening (£650)

### 9.5 District Councillor : see above

9.6 County Councillor: Cllr Hawkins gave his report where he discussed the progress of the Health and Well Being Centre, how Devon CC is tackling homelessness, and he asked that residents be made aware of the Warm Home Fund albeit Cllrs pointed out that this

did not cover oil heating at the moment.

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#### **11.0 Any Other Business**

11.1 There have been some complaints about dog fouling on private land. Clerk to contact SHDC Localities department to discuss signage for the village warning of penalties. It was also discussed that it may be necessary to call out the Dog Warden to deal with the problem of dogs roaming the village not under owner's control. Client to investigate.

#### **12.0 100 November Club Draws**

1<sup>st</sup> 10 Mr Boughton

2<sup>nd</sup> 32 Mr & Mrs S Hunt

3<sup>rd</sup> 65 Mrs E Evans

**The meeting closed at 9.15pm**

The next **Parish Council Meeting** is on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019 at 8.00 pm**