

# ST GERMANS PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at the Eliot Hall on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.00pm**

### **Present**

Tideford Ward: Cllr A Hodge  
Polbathic Ward: Cllr S Barnes  
St Germans Ward: Cllr N Witton and Cllr G Willis  
Bethany Ward: Cllr P Pipe  
Cornwall Council Cllr J Foot

### **1. Declarations of Interests and Dispensations**

- 1.1 To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda.
- 1.2 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests.
- 1.3 To grant any requests for dispensations as appropriate.

There were no declarations of interests and dispensations.

### **Public participation**

2 members of the public were present.

**Police report** – PCSO Mary Wells attended to inform us that she has been visiting the village to try and locate the graffiti offenders and will continue to do so over the summer period. Any information that the public can provide, please contact PCSO Mary Wells at Saltash Police Station, either by telephoning [101 Ext 308107](tel:101) or through [Facebook: Saltash Neighbourhood Policing Team](#)

### **2. Apologies for absence**

Cllr B Skelton and Cllr A Gowing sent their apologies. These were approved absences. Cllr L Gomersall was absent without an apology.

### **3. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 21 May 2018**

It was proposed by Cllr Pipe and seconded by Cllr Willis the minutes be approved. All were in favour and the minutes were signed by Cllr Hodge.

### **4. Co-option of Graham Mackeen as Councillor for St Germans Ward**

Graham would like to join the team again to represent the St Germans area of the Parish Council. He has many years of experience to offer the Parish Council. This was proposed by Cllr Pipe and seconded by Cllr Willis. All were in favour.

Graham Mackeen signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the Register of Interests form in front of the Clerk.

### **5. Councillors reports**

5.1 Cllr Foot said that the recent proposals by the Boundary Commission were in line with Cornwall Council's recommendations. The new name proposed will be 'Rame Peninsula and St Germans'. The consultation is open until September 2018.

Case for action – Chris Grayling, Secretary of State for Transport, came to visit the A38. See Jesse’s facebook page to see his reaction to the economic benefits to South East Cornwall. Safe 38 (resident-led group) who are campaigning for short term solutions to minimise the frequency of the accidents on the A38.

**5.2** Cllr Witton reported on the Cornwall Gateway Community Meeting held a couple of weeks ago. Expression of Interest forms need to be submitted on or before 20 July 2018. It was proposed by Cllr Hodge and seconded by Cllr Willis that Cllr Witton and the Clerk need to submit the relevant forms. All were in favour for the Parish to offer 50% of the money in the request being made, as this should be looked on more favourably.

## **6. Matters arising from previous minutes/correspondence**

### **6.2 Highways – ongoing issues**

#### **6.2.1 A38 Tideford**

Air quality – Clerk to contact Cornwall Council to call a meeting regarding air quality. We will also add Sue James to the invitation.

#### **6.2.2 Treland fencing and Branchecombe corner**

Still outstanding with Highways to get these items repaired. Ongoing. Clerk to continue to chase.

#### **6.2.3 Doctors Lane closure**

Port Eliot have a deadline of 31 July 2018 to get this path repaired/report back with a response to Cornwall Council.

### **6.3 Highways – new issues**

**6.3.1** Traffic – Parking issues – By the Old White House in Fore Street, Quarry Street, outside the almshouses and outside Nether Fairfield. Public consultation to be called in the Autumn 2018. Cllr Witton to ask Cornwall Council for maps. Cllr Willis to work with Cllr Witton.

### **6.4 Local Bus Services – Cllr Willis**

The Rail Users Group recently had their AGM and they changed their name to “St Germans Transport Group.” This now means they cover trains, buses and car parks.

Trains – from 2019 there will be 2 trains an hour going into Cornwall. Plymouth station is currently undergoing refurbishment/rebuilding work.

Buses – there were lots of questions to Plymouth Citybus regarding the removal of the number 72 bus. It was confirmed that the 72 bus will not be reinstated for the main seasons. It is more used with the new timetable/destinations it covers. Plymouth Citybus are going to look into ‘possibly’ reinstating the service for the winter months though...

Proposed car park at the three-cornered field – The Parish would like to see that the ‘proposed’ car park by the train station is free for the rail users. This will then alleviate some of the existing parking issues in the village. We will propose that if it can’t be free then there needs to be a minimal charge to encourage people to use it. Tickets also need to cater for long term stays as this is needed.

### **6.5 Community Projects as a result of the Community Benefit Contribution relating to the land at Trequite**

**6.5.1** The balance remaining £5779.53

Cllr Pipe asked the Clerk to check the planning conditions on the Trequite solar farm development. The Clerk will follow this up.

## **6.6 Nut Tree**

Cllr Pipe prepared the June entry and Cllr Hodge will do July.

## **6.7 Tree risk assessment**

The tree survey was discussed and the Clerk has requested quotations based on the recommendations made.

## **6.8 Graffiti**

Clerk to post Neighbourhood Watch request form to see if members of the public would be interested in becoming a Co-ordinator for their area.

## **6.9 GDPR**

Cllr Willis to arrange a separate meeting which will take place before the next Parish Council meeting.

## **6.10 Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations**

It was proposed by Cllr Witton for the Financial Committee to meet separately and to report back to main council with their recommendations. Date to meet will be agreed next week.

## **6.11 Council division of boundaries**

St Germans is the oldest Cathedral city in Cornwall and the Cllrs would like for the new name to be 'St Germans and Rame'. The majority of the wards covered under the new name are St Germans Parish. This was proposed by Cllr Pipe and seconded by Cllr Witton. All were in favour.

## **7. Playparks**

### **7.1 St Germans**

**7.1.1** Weekly inspections – Cllr Willis carried out the weekly inspections. The damaged wet pour needs replacing. Cllr Mackeen to do the next inspections.

**7.2.1** Wet pour replacement – It does need replacing. Cllrs agreed not to cap but to do a complete replacement. The colour green has been chosen. It was proposed by Cllr Witton to go ahead with South West Surfacing Specialists seconded by Cllr Hodge. All in favour.

### **7.2 Tideford**

The June weekly inspections were carried out by Cllr Hodge and Cllr Hodge will do the July inspections. Cllr Hodge to provide more detailed information next week regarding other items to be repaired/removed or replaced.

## **8. Burial Ground**

**8.1** Permission requested from Pengelly for the burial of the late Miss G Jones for a funeral on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Permission granted by Clerk.

See item 9.2.9 for payment received.

Noted.

## **9. Finance**

### **9.1 Current financial position – To note and approve**

Local Council Name – **St Germans Parish Council**

County - **Cornwall**

Financial period ending 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018  
 Prepared by: Mrs Emily Young (Parish Clerk)  
 Date: 21<sup>st</sup> June 2018

<b>Balance per bank statement as at 31.05.2018</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Treasurers Account	152,789.97	
		152,789.97
Less: unpresented cheques as at 31 May 2018 From Treasurers Account only Cheque numbers:		
608 £20.99		
604 £30.00		
605 £64.00		
607 £192.00		
606 £65.00		
610 £282.00		
		(653.99)
<b>Net bank balances as at 31 May 2018</b>		<b>£152,135.98</b>
<b>Balance per spreadsheet as at 31 May 2018</b>		<b>£152,135.98</b>

Cllr Witton proposed that the Parish Council approve the current financial position as at 31st May 2018. This was seconded by Cllr Barnes and agreed by all.

## 9.2 Income and expenditure

Number	Details	Cheque No (if applicable)
9.2.1	Clerk's June 2018 expenses £38.60	564
9.2.2	Clerk's June salary plus processing fees	S.O
9.2.3	Clerk's Pension	D.D
9.2.4	£90.75 PMP Invoice – Nut Tree for June 2018 edition	556
9.2.5	Eliot hall hire – June 2018 meeting £17.00	557
9.2.6	£11.00 Clerk's mobile phone	D.D
9.2.7	£64.00 local litter picking and bin emptying	558
9.2.8	Southern Electric – Tidford lighting £5.59	D.D
9.2.9	£400.00 burial payment from Pengelly for the late Miss Jones	Credit
9.2.10	Online playgrounds two invoices £244.08 and £56.40. Total £300.48. (Swing seats, shackles, keylinks and	559

	delivery) – Treland Park	
<b>9.2.11</b>	S Wiggett Lynher bus shelter window cleaning £15.00	560
<b>9.2.12</b>	Alan Hodge – book for Twinning town from Brittany £16.99	561
<b>9.2.13</b>	Ashley Dowden £200.00 Tree risk assessment	562
<b>9.2.14</b>	£750.00 Grass cutting for May and June 2018.	563

It was proposed by Cllr Pipe that all finance items be approved. This was seconded by Cllr Mackeen and agreed by all. Cheque signatories for these payments will be Cllr Hodge and Cllr Barnes.

**9.3** We have received a credit payment from HMRC regarding for the VAT claim – noted.

#### **9.4 Requests for spending**

**9.4.1** Clerks eye test – £25.00 – This was proposed by Cllr Hodge and seconded by Cllr Barnes. All were in favour.

**9.4.2** Wet pour replacement for Treland Park – See 7.2.1

**9.4.3** Rocking horse replacement in Tideford Park – Proposed Cllr Pipe, seconded by Cllr Hodge. All were in favour.

**9.4.4** Beech hedge cut and various bushes along main footpath – Proposed by Cllr Witton and seconded by Cllr Willis. All were in favour.

**9.4.5** Cemetery soil dig and remove – Proposed by Cllr Hodge and seconded by Cllr Witton. All were in favour.

**9.4.6** Digging out and removal of grasses around Treland Park – Proposed by Cllr Witton and seconded by Cllr Willis. All were in favour.

#### **9.5 Financial correspondence**

None received.

### **10. Planning Applications**

The following applications have been received by Cornwall Council:  
None received.

#### **10.1 Planning Applications received after publication of this agenda**

None received.

#### **10.2 Planning Appeals – Received by the date of this meeting**

None received.

#### **10.3 Planning Decisions**

The following decisions were made by Cornwall Council:

**10.3.1 PA18/03462 Land North of Tredudwell Blunts Saltash Cornwall.** Moving all weather turnout area to a different location. **Approved 01/06/2018.**  
Noted.

#### **10.4 Enforcements - None**

**10.5 Planning Correspondence and Reports**

**10.5.1** Building Control Newsletter – Noted.

**10.5.2** Agenda for Strategic Planning Committee – Cancelled.

**10.6 Planning matters raised by Members**

**11. Correspondence Received**

**11.1** Rural Services Network - Noted.

**11.2** Battles Over Celebrations 2018 – Noted.

**11.3** Civic Voice – Noted.

**11.4** Mustard Seed Property – Noted – Clerk to post on noticeboards.

**11.5** Integrated Risk Management Plan – Fire Service – Noted.

**12. Urgent Business raised by Ward members and admitted by the Chair**

**Co-option of Pauline Chilton as Councillor for Bethany Ward**

Cllr Pipe introduced Pauline Chilton who is interested in becoming a Councillor for Bethany ward. Pauline is located in the centre of the village and is actively involved in Speedwatch. It was proposed by Cllr Pipe to accept Pauline as a new councillor. Cllr Barnes seconded. All were in favour. The Clerk will send Pauline the paperwork to complete.

St Johns Ambulance storage is still outstanding. The Clerk is checking with St Johns and will follow this up.

Meeting closed at 10pm.

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Signed as a true record of the meeting.....  
Chairman

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Date