



ST AGNES PARISH COUNCIL

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Environment Committee meeting – 12th November 2019

Minutes of the meeting of Environment Committee, held in the Parish Rooms, 17 Vicarage Rd, St. Agnes, 09:45.

Present: Cllrs Ripper (Chair), Drew, Field, Lane, Rodda.

Absent: Cllr Roberson.

In attendance: L Dunkley, Clerk. 0 members of the public.

E53/19 Apologies for absence

RECEIVED from Cllrs Forbes, Clark (ex officio).

E54/19 Election of Vice Chair to the Committee for the remainder of 2019/20

ELECTED Cllr Rodda as Vice Chair.

E55/19 Declarations of interest/ Requests for dispensation. None.

E56/19 Public participation. None.

E57/19 Environment Committee meeting minutes: 10th September 2019

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee as above having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Cllrs Lane/Field. 3 voted in favour, 2 abstained: Cllrs Drew, Rodda.

E58/19 Matters arising from these minutes

NOTED any matters arising:

E25/19 – Clerk yet to contact existing tree warden. **Officers to action.**

E59/19 Salt bin orders

CONSIDERED the need to replace any broken salt bins. The recorded bin at Chapel Hill Porthtowan is in good condition.

Officers to respond.

E60/19 Goonown Playing Field agreement

RESOLVED to formalise the current arrangements that commits the Council to cutting grass at Goonown Playing Field.

Cllrs Rodda/Lane. Unanimous. **Officers to inform.**

E61/19 Planters

CONSIDERED style, quantity and locations. Mount Hawke ideas include the use of old tyres. Library would require the purchase of a purpose-built planter with dedication plaque. **Cllr Rodda to coordinate ideas and bring back to Committee in January. A Tippett to investigate options for library and bring back to Committee in January.**

E62/19 Update: Penwinnick Land transfer completion

RECEIVED as above. The land is now in Parish Council ownership. Officers to add to asset register and insurance schedule.

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E63/19 Unregistered land at Henley Drive, Mt Hawke

RECEIVED an update as above:

- Placement of a bench on plot outside number 1, with the potential for a memorial plaque – Handy person is currently refurbishing a bench in preparation to install.
- Placement of dog waste bin and dog waste penalty signage in the vicinity – Completed.
- Continuation of current grass cutting maintenance by residents – Agreed outside numbers 3 & 4.
- Removal of continuous fence which currently encloses the plot outside number 3 and 4 – Completed.
- Planting in the plot outside 3 and 4 with local residents – Agreed.
- Strimming of verge on opposite side of Henley Drive near the surgery, so that vegetation is taken back to the tree line to improve the look of the area – Agreed.
- Adding cutting of grass outside numbers 1 & 2 to Council contractor list – to be confirmed by Committee.

E64/19 Update: Enhanced LMP project

RECEIVED as above. The Countryside Access Officer agrees with the projects and priorities of the Council and is liaising with the relevant parties at CC. Update to be forthcoming. **Handy person to cut back bamboo – Cllr Ripper to forward information to Deputy Clerk.**

E65/19 Community Network Panel Highways projects. Deferred.

E66/19 Environmental Maintenance Contracts

CONSIDERED content of contracts to be awarded for a two-year period (2020-2021) and **RESOLVED** to agree details and seek quotes as follows:

- Cemeteries (addition of simple maintenance of new cemetery extension field adjacent as a wildflower meadow)
- Sexton (as current)
- Open Spaces (addition of Henley Drive green space outside number 1 & 2.
- PROW (modified according to agreed need and to accommodate National Trust)

Cllrs Field/Rodda. Unanimous. **Officers to action.**

E67/19 Budget considerations 2020/21

CONSIDERED budget needs for 2020/21. Figures as circulated were considered appropriate for the Committee.

E68/19 Notification of meeting/Suggested items for agenda: 14th January 2020

NOTED any suggested items for the next Council meeting: Weed clearance requirements; Planters options and quotes; Environmental Management Policies and wider climate change issues; Environmental maintenance quotes; Tree warden update; Beaconsfield Play Area discussion; Litter picks for 2020.

E69/19 Reports from Council representatives

NOTED the following reports: Playing Fields – Beaconsfield group have contacted the Council with details of what may be needed for another group or the Council to take on management of the play area. Localism Summit – attended by Cllr Rodda: many attendees felt the burden placed on the sector, and particularly on volunteers, by devolution is becoming unmanageable; climate change was discussed – in particular Helston Climate Action Group have developed a plan of action that is editable and usable by others. Incinerator visit by various Cllrs was informative.

**Cllr Field left the room*

Litter pick frustrations – much litter around on Mondays (kerbside waste and recycling collection day) – Request to be made to CC that recycling and waste receptacles are contained to guard against wind, and that refuse workers are instructed to pick up litter that is around the kerbside that has fallen out of recycling bags. **Officers to action.**

E70/19 Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960. None.

Meeting closed at 11:10.

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