

Kilhampton Parish Council

The Minutes for the Open Parish Meeting, followed by the AGM
held on Monday 5th June 2017 at 7.00pm at Grenville Rooms

Attendance

Clive Vanstone (CV), Tim Cottle (TC), Nick Crossley (NC), Paula Dolphin (PD), Dan Vanstone (DV) Roland Nancekivell (RN), Albert Sloman (AS) Keith Ovenden (KO), Archie Heard (AH), Stephen Dawber (SD)

Apologies: None

Absent: None

Chair: Reg Hambley

Clerk: Hannah Collett

Welcome to all by Chairman and welcome to Alison Hollins

Information read out from Bingo via Chairman. Been running since April 1993 – total raised since beginning of just over £42,000 for Children’s Hospice. Marvelous to know they come every week and support and raise that money.

Gardening club unable to attend.

Chairman made report on behalf of Parish Council to Parishioners of what Council has achieved. Taken charge of the toilets and carpark area been resurfaced. Disabled path to Church re-tarmacked. Speed sign now on A39 at North Close. Already made difference. TV fitted and installed including wifi at Grenville Rooms. Should be in use for next meeting. Regarding Grenville Rooms – Parish Council contributed to work done in Ladies toilet and work to be done in the Kitchen refit. Committee is very grateful for the Parish Council support and to Solar Farm grant funding also and the money available from grants for a number of years.

Public Speaking Session

Chairman handed over to Alison. Here to speak regarding Bob Cowell spraying between Council estate and Dipper Lane.

Chairman stated Council was made aware by a number of Parishioners and we wrote to Highways. PD has also written to Highways as too have Launcells Parish Council.

Reply received from Michael Thompson who covers patch for environmental matters. Mr Thompson understood how people would not be happy – but such spraying is regulated and they have no powers, unless it affects the use or enjoyment of someone else’s property. Paul Travis is Environmental Officer.

Photos received of hedges sprayed received by Ian Maddick. Also had meeting with Mr Cowell. Mr Cowell has apologised through Ian (though not in writing to the Parish Council). Brief of letter read out by Chairman. As for the Parish Council, we have done everything via the Highways that we can. If anyone has further issues they need to go direct to Mr Cowell.

We can’t do anything more. PD spoke to Ian and at the moment they must take in good faith that this matter was a mistake – if done again they will do their best to stop it.

Alison asked if this is not illegal due to AONB etc?

Chairman said it is up to the individual if it's their land and banks to make the complaints. Reiterated that as a Parish Council we have done all we can. Mr Cowell has admitted to Ian but nothing received by PC. RN feels it shouldn't arise again till the Spring. Thanks to Alison by Chairman and thanks from Alison.

End of open meeting.

Began the AGM

Election of Officers.

Chairman handed over to Vice Chairman for nominations of Chairman role. Vice asked for any nominations for Chairman. NC nominated TC – TC declined the offer. DV nominated RH and all in favour for RH to continue as Chairman.

Chairman said thanks to Vice and all – will take on for another 12 months.

Now at the point to elect Vice Chairman. CV nominated DV and TC seconded. No other nominations. All in favour.

Chairman then began proceedings to elect officers for committees.

Lambpark Trust – CV happy to stay and nominated TC to be part of and also to Chair this committee. DV also happy to be on.

School Representative. CV standing down. Chairman asked if SD would like to take on. SD declined. AS happy to be on.

Footpath Committee – Chairman stated as we know Phil Sluggett was our footpath rep. We would like Phil to still play a big part on committee. Chairman would like to propose he act as a consultant but with a councillor with him. SD asked if committees have to have a set number of members. No. SD happy to be footpath rep – to liaise with Phil Sluggett (PS) as necessary, should he accept.

Police Liaison Rep – Not sure if still necessary – to be removed. No Need.

CALC Rep – NC suggested we expand to Calc, Network and Peoples Welfare. NC happy to stay as Calc Rep.

Transport and Traffic Committee – Chairman happy to Stay, DV also and TC also happy. KO to come in, in place of MT.

Ward Meeting Representative. NC

Grenville Rooms – AH happy to take this one.

Solar Farm Committee. – CV, TC and RH. All happy to stay.

Network meeting – RH and RN

Minutes - all OK.

**Adopt code of Conduct –
Declaration of Interest**

DV for Planning applications 1 and 3. With permission, will speak regarding 1 and 3 together.

DV left the room.

Planning

- 1) PA17/03871 Change of use of agricultural land to domestic area for garden and orchard. Lewdon Farm, Mr R Robinson. Chairman stated he did ring the case officer and they stated this is normal and yes in some cases they do this. No problems. CV moved and TC seconded all in favour.
- 3) PA17/04052 Retrospective application for siting of mobile home for wardens accommodation. Pentire Caravan park- Mr B Joce. Chairman said Pentire has permission to build a property on Stibb side. Want to site a warden's mobile home inside gate. Chairman spoke to case officer and they didn't feel it would affect anything. CV moved and RN seconded. DV back in the room.
- 2) PA17/04007 Proposed two storey rear extension. Kespit Cottage. Mr and Mrs Pelling. Chairman stated that he had been down and can't really see it. Although it's quite large it's right down out of site and just an extension. RN asked if looked like they may alter in future. Nothing on plans and this is all we can go by. CV moved and DV seconded. All in favour.
- 4) PA17/04342 Construction of a covered manure store, Adjoining the eVisiting shed storing own livestock manure. Hudscott, Mr M Heard. Council felt it would not affect anyone at all. RN said there is a footpath near – presume this is not a matter. DV said an extension to existing building – TC moved and KO seconded. All in favour.

Matters

1) Carpark Toilets

£200.10 taken – TC said took items for hand dryers today to fit in Mens by tomorrow and Womens by Wednesday. Called regarding doors – still in hand. Current ones are still effective for a short while. Full credit to Alan for his hard work. Always clean etc. Clerk to send official letter of thanks.

2) Speed signs

Up and running. Feel already serving its purpose.

3) Co-op footpath.

Still not done. PD will remind necessary people. White lining also not done. KO mentioned lorries that couldn't get onto carpark so they completely blocked the

footpath. Are they able to do this? Not allowed to put any vehicle on per DV. DV also said that our hands are tied – argued with highways on application and they disagreed with us. DV said are they putting raised curbs in? Chairman said by Iris' they are going to extend the raised one on to where the 'V' goes in. PD will get a copy of what they plan to do. PD to get Oliver to come out to and to have another meeting with us also.

4) Code of Conduct Training.

Chairman said this is wise for all councillors to do. Refreshes memories and new councillors get full information. Feels all should go. PD said she has to go frequently. Down for 25th Sept at Parkhouse 2-4pm. SD asked for an evening request to be made.

Clerk to write to Joanne Skeplorn and put in request for evening or to come to us for training session

5) Any other matters arising from the minutes

None

Months work

OK

Reports

PD – all to report is Truro – although Conservative, they do have the majority vote. Initially Conservative and were the majority, now Lib Dems going in together with Independents so they have majority now. PD not in agreement that her party should have gone into this.

Footpaths – Nothing to report yet. AH started trimming.

Playing Fields and Lambpark – No meeting held yet. CV said need to have one and TC felt every 3-4 months. TC to arrange with CV etc. Chairman said at last meeting we were looking into playground inspection. Clerk wrote to company and reply read out. Can do the 16th June. Price is slightly higher this year. Clerk to reply with confirmation of acceptance. CV suggested someone from Lambpark Trust meet and chat at start. Clerk to ask what time and to give TC mobile number to contact for arrangements. TC said been brought to attention that the fire extinguishers are not upto date. Clerk to sort with Chubb to attend and sort.

TC also said ongoing problem of individual drinking in carpark and someone also defecating on chippings as well. What can we do?

Chairman said if this person was seen by Parish Councillor then we need to approach them. Chairman asked all to keep an eye on the situation.

SD felt we couldn't just keep monitoring it. We know about it – isn't there something else we can do. DV explained we could only deal with the areas that affect the Parish Council – even though we would like to help more personally.

RN asked if we should look at providing toilets at Lambpark. TC replied to say we have looked into this in the past.

DV asked if the issue is that they are driving also? Yes. PD suggested that if someone sees them drinking then getting into their car – that they politely say they are not allowed to do this on the property and if they are seen again we will have to call the police. All Councillors have the authority to carry this out.

School – CV – nothing to report as such. CV is finishing term in office after 30 years. Hopefully AS will go on as new representative with Schools permission.

Grenville Rooms – A P Cottle will start kitchen renovation in June. DV to note electrics to be tidied up for wifi at same time.

Members

DV – nothing

CV – nothing

SD – Re: speed sign – Was it considered to have one at other end of village also? Chairman confirmed it was. Obviously, there is the School one that ends at certain times, council felt at the time we would start with the one end for now. These signs cost almost £7,000.

Also, SD mentioned speed of traffic on Penstowe Road. Chairman explained it has been brought up numerous times – We had suggested that lorries use other entrance – SD said fast cars come through to get to Penstowe for the gym etc. PD said it is within the 30 mph zones. PD did suggest we try to involve the school and make publicity that way with a speed gun. DV said speed pumps a possible option. PD will check with Oliver and see if there is anything else we can do. PD said speed bumps would need to be signed off by the residents also.

Chairman said in past regarding West Street speeds, Highways have said it needs to be monitored for some time.

SD also mentioned dog fouling. TC said we have to have photographic evidence. SD says several councils use cameras to catch evidence. PD explained that we can't do this. It isn't allowed. DV explained we have been told we can only name and shame. CV stated we have tried to get extra bins, but we have our limit. Chairman said we appreciate concerns from SD, however we have tried numerous ways of solving the issue – feel we have explored all avenues possible.

PD said in Cornwall we don't have cameras. Will put SD in touch with the necessary people and they can inform him of what we can and can't do.

Francis Gist did used to approach the people personally when he was on the council.

SD said would bring his research to meeting and PD suggested she give him the information he needs.

AH – nothing

TC – approached by Parishioner at Rosecott Park – hedge by the Well and down to park and Cornish's hedge are over grown.

DV said Highways can charge them to do it. PD will speak to Oliver.

TC – Solar grants – have leaflet to put up as another one is available in October.

AS – Nothing

KO – nothing

RN – nothing

NC – has the 40mph sign been reported by Weyside? – knocked down. PD to contact Oliver

Correspondence

Letter from Claire Jennings. Read though. Had 5 dwellings approved and offices to stay – were advised to try and sell them or have someone move into the offices. No one interested. Now looking to remove and put 3 dwellings in its place.

Just saying what they intend to do – we can't comment until plans come in.

Information on purchasing a flag for “Fly the Red Ensign” regarding merchant navy day 3-9-17. Parish Council don't have a flag pole.

Chairman showed booklet on “Good Councillor Guide”. We need to make some rules that Councillors abide by and all to sign once done. PD said we need to go to CALC and ask for Standing Orders for Council. You then delete what isn't necessary – can't add anything. Clerk to source.

Finance

Read through by Chairman

Invoices to be paid £600.00 Archie Gardening Services

RN moved and NC seconded. All in favour

Date of next meeting 3rd July 2017. To begin at 7.30pm at The Grenville Rooms

Thanks to all and meeting closed.