

MEVAGISSEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Mevagissey Activity Centre

On Thursday 16 March 2023 at 7pm

Present: Cllrs. M Roberts (Chairman), M Facey, G Barham, G Shephard, A Williams, K Chamberlain, J Whatty, G Williams, J Brown, J Morgan, A Christie, J Gann, D Drake

In Attendance: Cllr James Mustoe (CC), S Davey (minuting meeting)

Unratified unless signed

1. No apologies.

2. Chairman's announcement.

- Miss Davey was introduced to the meeting. In the absence of the Clerk she would minute the meeting.
- Ms Cailleach operation had gone well and she is recovering, however when she will return to work currently not known.

3. Declarations of Interest.

- Cllr Prynn declared an interest in Little Nippers grant application; and Cllr Morgan agenda item 14.

4. Public Questions or Comments

- Cllr Prynn advised that Little Nippers children at snack time currently sit on the floor which is not hygienic. Therefore they are seeking funds to purchase table and chairs. They have also consulted parents and will be looking to obtain ride on/sensory based toys.

5. Minutes of the Council

Cllr Facey then proposed that the Minutes 16 February 2023 were accepted. Seconded by Cllr Barham. **Carried.**

6. Cllr Barham proposed the minutes of the 17 February 2023 were accepted Seconded by Cllr Prynn. **Carried.**

7. Clerk report.

- Biffa have received a report that MPC has gone out of business. Clarification sought but Biffa could not give a reason. An independent company, B&B, may have done a credit check or relates to old postal address. Cllr Facey will contact Biffa to find more information.
- GDPR. Cllrs were asked to sign a form to accept information via email.
- Internal Audit. Work has started on the audit.
- Clerks emails. Are being forwarded to Chair and Vice whilst Clerk is on sick leave.
- Trevalsa planning application. Cllr Mustoe to forward email to Chair/Vice.

8. Ward Member previously circulated his Report.

Trevalsa planning application being re-submitted. Applicant queried if they could attend April Planning Meeting. Parking ticket machine had been removed. Cllr Mustoe reported on Facebook, and raised with Directorate. Made national press. Machine now been replaced, as it was a mistake.

Cllr Roberts reported that Cornwall Council previously consulted the Parish Council about car parking charges. The Council is now undertaking general consultation which ends 23 March 2023. Proposal charges remain same, but no charge 6pm-9am. Cllr Barham proposed no objection to proposal, seconded by Cllr Prynn. **Carried.**

Cllr Gann wished to formally follow up the lack of consultation regarding a) scaffold on Polkirt Hill, which causes issues when the Fire Service go up Hill. Cllr Mustoe reported that when a scaffolding licence is made, if it fits Cornwall Council criteria it is approved. The Parish Council could make a formal enquiry if they wish. b) Polstreath. Cornwall Council Footpath Officer for allowing agreement to lapse. It was agreed that when Parish Council meets with Council Footpaths they query the agreement lapse. Cllr Mustoe reported that it could have been missed as in middle of covid pandemic or missed by previous owner did not engage with Cornwall Council. Cllr Gann felt that this was not acceptable at Polkirt Hill as the Planning Committee had taken time to debate the application. Cllr Gann proposed a letter requesting better co-ordination and liaison with Street Works regarding disruption to the Parish. Seconded by Cllr Shephard. **Carried.** Cllr Gann to draft letter.

The full report can be seen on the Parish Website.

9. Monthly Finances

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
	HSBC Bank UK PLC	Bank Charges taken automatically*	
02/03/2023	Cornwall ALC Ltd	Enforcement and Appeals Training Clerk	£36.00
01/02/2023	Aubergine 262 Ltd	Registration of mevagissey-pc.gov.uk Domain	£180.00
28/02/2023	Biffa	Bottle Bank Recycling	£219.60
02/03/2023	British Gas	2023/01/02 - 2023 02 01 Electricity W Wharf pc	
02/02/2023	British Gas	2023 01 02 - 2023 02 01 Electricity Valley Rd PC	
02/07/2023	Source for Business	2023/01/05- 2023/02/06 Water Valley Rd	
10/03/2023	G C Farr	Operate West Wharf PC 2023/03/01 - 03/31	£1,171.20
10/03/2023	G C Farr	Operate Valley Rd PC 2023/03/01 - 03/31	£1,150.34
02/03/2023	Carlyon Systems Ltd	Microsoft 365 Business Premium April 2023 and Cyber Backup Licence	£48.60
01/03/2023	HMRC	Employers National Insurance Contribution	£74.05
01/03/2023	Clerk Salary and HMRC Tax	Clerk Salary and Tax February 2023 *	£1,250.00
		PAYMENTS TOTAL	£4,129.79

Payments approved by Cllr Shepherd. Seconded by Cllr Williams. **Carried.**

10. Budget 2023-24

Discussed at February meeting.

11. IT update.

It was agreed that Carlyon Systems should be encouraged to setup new filing systems.

13. Working Group Public Toilets Report.

Waiting for weather. GCF will be closing Valley Road toilets for a few days to undertake anti-slip flooring. West Wharf toilets will be available as alternative. Cllr Facey proposed they be free for a few days.

Waiting for quotes for card readers and payment charges.

Valley Road. Cllr Banham proposed acceptance contractor. Seconded by Cllr Morgan. **Carried.**

West Wharf. Cllr Banham proposed acceptance contractor. Seconded by Cllr Williams. **Carried.**

14. Working Group Mevagissey Climate Emergency Report.

Cllr Brown advised 10-12 people attended Carbon Literacy Training held on 10 March. Community event being postponed as numerous other events being held at same time.

New projects: a) school linked to policy 1 of climate plan “engaging community”. Require £400 for planters to encourage pollinators. Cllr Facey proposed funds taken from Working Group budget. Seconded by Cllr Banham. **Carried.** b) Encouraging Biodiversity. Looking to host a bat walk in summer, followed by a survey. Exeter University interested.

Electric Car Charger been installed at Willow Car Park. Now have 5 publically accessible chargers in area.

Joint meeting with Parish Council and Harbour when Clerk returns to work.

15. Inclusion Cornwall “Cost of Living Resource Sheet”.

Cllr Williams suggested Mevagissey have an Inclusion Cornwall hub. This would assist residents struggling with the cost of living. A proposal to be brought back to Parish Council.

16. Mevagissey Bins Recycling.

Price increase of 6.5% but this is still within budget. Recycling will start when required.

17. Pentillie Green

Cllr Pryn proposed that the Cormac cut grass back to its original state at the Green as soon as possible, and Mevagissey Climate Action Group look at consulting residents about long-term plans. Seconded by Cllr Facey. **Carried.**

18. South West Coastpath

Cllr Williams reported on two parish schemes:

Public Rights of Way. Treleavan Countryside Services quoted £998.

SW Footpath. Nature Green quoted £1,148

Cllr Williams proposed both Treleavan and Nature Green quotes accepted. Cllr Facey seconded. **Carried.**

Clerk queried if any routine inspections were carried out on contracted work. It was noted that a previous Clerk did undertake inspections previously. Cllr Facey and Cllr Williams offered to undertake inspections.

19. Devolution.

No further information. Deferred.

20. To consider a request for support from Little Nippers.

Cllr Pryn withdrew for this item, having declared an interest.

Proposed by Cllr Facey, seconded by Cllr Banham that a grant of £500 be made towards the cost of table and chairs. **Carried.**

21. To consider a request for support from Men In Sheds.

Following a thorough discussion, proposed by Cllr Prynne, seconded by Cllr Facey that grant request be rejected. **Carried. Cllr Gunn abstained.**

22. The meeting ended at 8.25 p.m. Date of next meeting (not Planning) 20 April 2023.

Signed..... Signed..... Dated