MEVAGISSEY PARISH COUNCIL

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

On Thursday 16 December 2021 at 7pm

Present Cllrs. M Roberts (Chairman), G Barham, J Gann, C Leiser, G Shephard, J Whatty, G Williams..

In Attendance Sarah Male (Gorran Parish Nurse), Jackie Ward (Waste Manager, Cornwall Council), Cllr. J Mustoe (Ward Member), P Howson (Clerk to the Council), 3 members of the public.

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1. Apologies had been received from Cllrs. Drake, Morgan, Facey, Hereward and A Williams.

2. There were no Declarations of Interest or Gifts.

3. Sarah Male gave a talk about her role as the Gorran and Caerhays Parish Nurse and answered questions from members. Charlie Clayton reported that the St Austell Methodist Circuit had agreed to employ a Parish Nurse for Mevagissey for a three-year period, and he was working with Alex Williams to progress this.

4. Jackie Ward (CC Waste Manager) explained why CC had stopped providing recycling banks and why the part- funding trial for the Mevagissey recycling bank would not be continued.

5. No members of the public in attendance wished to speak.

6a. Proposed by Cllr. Gann, Seconded by Cllr. Barham that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2021 be accepted. Carried.

6b. Cllr. Leiser asked for it to be recorded that the flowerbeds behind the MAC had not been ‘abandoned’ as described in the minutes of the 18 November meeting, but had been maintained by the MAC following the departure of Scope,

7. Proposed by Cllr. Barham, Seconded by Cllr. Gann that the minutes of the planning meeting held on 19 November 2021 be accepted. Carried.

8. The Clerk reported that:

* A meeting with Ocean Housing had been arranged for 21 December to discuss a variety of issues;
* A visit by a representative of St Austell Health Care had been arranged for the January meeting;
* A visit by Inspector Ian Jolliff (St Austell police) had been arranged for the February meeting;
* The agreed contribution to Little Nippers for Christmas gifts had not been required because the sum requested had been met by the Mevagissey Bay Association;
* Members had met the Highways Manager on Vicarage Hill to look at the problems caused by blocked drains (the outcomes are detailed in the Ward Member’s report);
* Cormac’s Engineering Design Group had confirmed that the amended scheme for Cliff Street has been agreed under the CNP Highways Scheme;
* The Highways Manager had confirmed that repairs to the damaged wall between Polkirt Hill and Cliff Park would be completed in the spring.

9. The Ward Member presented his report, including thanks to Biffa and Mark Groom for responding quickly to his request to clear leaves blocking the drains in Church Lane.

The full report can be seen on the Council’s website.

10. Proposed by Cllr. Shephard, Seconded by Cllr. Gann that last month’s decision to grant £6,000 over three years towards the cost of a parish nurse be ratified, with a requirement for the recipient of the funds to provide a written statement of how the money has been spent within 12 months of each payment. Carried.

11. Proposed by Cllr. Shephard, Seconded by Cllr. Gann that a decision on the future of the recycling bank be deferred pending a report by Cllr. Gann on supplier options. Carried.

12. To approve the monthly finances.

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| Bills to Pay | Salaries | £ | 1,000.00 |  |  |
|  | HMRC (PAYE) | £ | 250.00 |  |  |
|  | Councillor training (paid) | £ | 72.00 |  |  |
|  | West Wharf PC electricity 02/11/21 - 01/12/21 (paid) | £ | 27.39 |  |  |
|  | Valley Road PC hygiene services 29/12/21 - 28/03/22 | £ | 265.22 |  |  |
|  | Kiers car park waste collection 16/11/21 plus bin rental | £ | 125.28 |  |  |
|  | November waste collections from West Wharf PC | £ | 22.86 |  |  |
|  | November recycling bank collections | £ | 979.50 |  |  |
|  | Operate Valley Road PC December 2021 | £ | 970.34 |  |  |
|  | Operate West Wharf PC December 2021 | £ | 740.80 |  |  |
|  | Postage | £ | 10.20 |  |  |
|  | TOTAL | *£* | 4,463.59 |  |  |
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| Accounts | Amount available to spend as of last meeting | £ | 122,327.39 |  |  |
|  | Expenditure last month | £ | 4,485.77 |  |  |
|  | plus Kiers car park waste collections 01/11/21 - 1411/21 | £ | 701.28 |  |  |
|  | Wreath (£20) plus donation to RBL Poppy Appeal | £ | 170.00 |  |  |
|  | LMP grant (coast path) | £ | 995.41 |  | Received |
|  | West Wharf PC entry money | £ | 1,925.00 |  | Received |
|  | Available to spend | £ | 119,890.75 |  |  |
|  | Bank Statements (01/12/2021) |  |  |  |  |
|  | Current Account |  |  | £ | 2,122.74 |
|  | Deposit Account |  |  | £ | 117,768.01 |
|  | TOTAL |  |  | £ | 119,890.75 |

Proposed by Cllr. Shephard, Seconded by Cllr. Leiser that the accounts be accepted and the bills paid. Carried.

13. Proposed by Cllr. Shephard, Seconded by Cllr. Barham that the draft budget for 2022/23 be capped at £110,000 by means to be determined at the next meeting. Carried.

14. Proposed by Cllr. Shephard, Seconded by Cllr. Barham that the Precept for Financial Year 2022/23 should include an increase of ten percent (10%). Carried.

15. Cllr. Facey was not present to report on issues arising from the operation of the public conveniences.

16. Cllr. Gann summarised the recent meeting at Roberts Close with Craig Rowe (Development Manager, Gilbert & Goode).

17. Cllr. Shephard reported that an amended version of the questionnaire on housing conditions and requirements had been circulated following input received from members, and that the final version would be put to members for approval at the next meeting prior to going out to tender for marketing.

Members were asked to forward to the Clerk details of issues to be raised at the meeting with Ocean Housing.

18. Climate Emergency Working Group.

18a. Cllrs. Whatty and Leiser reported on the latest activities of the group.

18b. Consideration of David Sycamore’s proposals for Pentillie field was deferred to the next meeting.

18c. Proposed by Cllr. Gann, Seconded by Cllr. Shephard that Christine Leiser, Jane Morgan and David Sycamore should act as the Council’s official tree wardens.

19. Members recently met Caitlin Lord, the new Community Link Officer, on a video call to apprise her of the Council’s position on the proposed devolution package. She will chase CC officers to provide detailed service costs prior to a further meeting in January.

20. The Council expressed support for proposals by the MAC to replace the derelict pavilion at the entrance to the car park.

21. Proposed by Cllr. Shephard, Seconded by Cllr. Gann that retrospective approval be granted for the cost of replacement of the chain around the war memorial. Carried.

22. Consideration of proposals for the next phase of the Highways Scheme was deferred to the next meeting.

23. Proposed by Cllr. Barham, Seconded by Cllr. Leiser that Katheryn Chamberlain be co-opted to fill the casual vacancy on the Council. Carried.

24. The meeting ended at 9.40pm. Date of next (non-planning) meeting: 20 January 2022.

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