

Minutes of the Meeting of St Just in Roseland Parish Council held on Monday 8th January 2023 in the Millennium Rooms, St Mawes. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

Councillors Present: Cllr Giles (Chair), Cllr Marchant, Cllr Andrew, Cllr Goldsmith, Cllr Fordham, Cllr Ives, Cllr Baylis, Cllr Williams, Cllr Hare-Scott, Cllr Warren.

Also present: H Couch (Parish Clerk), R Fordham (Parish Administrator) and 17 members of the public

1. To accept apologies for absence – Cllr Salter, Cllr German

2. Declaration of Interest:

- a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest – None.
- b) Non-Registerable Interest – None declared
- c) Of gifts to the value of more than £25 - None declared
- d) To consider requests for dispensation on items on the agenda – None declared

3. Public Participation

Kay Bain Charity Shop

The Charity offered thanks to the Parish Council for granting permission to locate a storage container at the top of St Mawes Car Park.

Cornwall Flood Forum

Cornwall Flood Forum gave a presentation about the need to raise flood awareness in Cornwall, and the support they can provide to help communities to be better prepared as water levels rise due to climate change. They promote a partnership approach to flood risk management and community engagement, providing a template and advice and support for creating a Community Flood Plan. The councillors agreed that this is a very important issue which needs further discussion and thanked them for the presentation.

Pharmacy

The owner of the St Mawes Pharmacy has recently announced that his contract with the NHS to dispense services will be terminating with effect from the end of March 2024. A member of the public and the Pharmacy owner spoke to councillors about this, coming after the recent loss of other various retail businesses in the village. The Pharmacy needs to have its NHS contact tailored to the unique circumstances of a tourist-dominated village and is seeking letters of support from local individuals and organisations to this effect, together with illustrating the vital role the Pharmacy plays in the community. A request was made for an informal recognition of individual (not the Parish Council as a whole) indications of support from Councillors, and also that the Pharmacy is included on the agenda for the Full Parish Council meeting in February.

4. Confirmation of the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th December 2023.

The Council **RESOLVED**, by a show of hands by those who had attended that the said minutes be approved. All in favour and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising:

Cleansing Contract

Biffa have carried out a further survey of the current cleansing operation in St Mawes before they take on the contract on the 1st April 2024, as it was felt that some roads are not up standard. It was confirmed that some bins will be replaced and the weeding for zone 1 area will be included in the services provided. The Clerk has been informed by Biffa that recycling from the bins placed outside the Coop has been going into general waste, as the bins were not being used correctly by the public. The Clerk was unaware of this and has asked Biffa for more information.

Quote for replacement windows at main entrance to Millennium Rooms

Quotes have been requested for the blown windows by the top door into the Millennium Rooms

Bond information for Spinnaker Drive

Cllr German has investigated this concern and there will be further information during Confidential Matters.

Outdoor shelter for Recreation Ground

A concern was raised that following the meeting in December, when it was agreed that the Parish Council would look into funding a structure for young people in the village to meet, that this had become conflated with the Recreation Ground's plans for a new building. It was agreed that the smaller outdoor structure needed to be fast-tracked to provide this meeting place, and that a quote should be obtained in time for the agenda for the next Finance Meeting on January 22nd. The Clerk will liaise with the Recreation Ground for further information on their plans.

Roseland Youth Sailing Trust Luncheon

While the councillors who attended the lunch confirmed that the annual Tall Ship voyage is tremendously beneficial to the young people who take part, a concern was raised that the place sponsored by the Parish Council in 2023 had been offered to someone from outside the St Just in Roseland Parish, who did not attend pre- and post-voyage events. A request was made that if the Roseland Youth Sailing Trust encounter a similar problem next year, that they come back to the Parish Council (who are sponsoring the place) who could try other channels, such as the Sailing Club, to find a suitable applicant from the Parish.

Village Entrance Planters

These have now been delivered and will be put in position as soon as possible.

Parish Benches

The Clerk confirmed that a large order has been placed, but some details are being finalised. Benches for the Triangle have been included in the order.

5. Cornwall Councillor Report

Cllr German sent his apologies and offered to take any questions.

6. Clerks Report

Covered in Matters Arising,

7. External Committees & Local Representatives

- St Just Institute – Cllr Warren passed on positive feedback about the replaced hedge in St Just in Roseland
- Roseland Outdoor Centre – Cllr Goldsmith reported that the Centre is planning to be open by the end of January. It has also been chosen as a local charity by the Tesco Community Grants programme (blue discs in store).
- REACT – Cllr Goldsmith reported that the applications for a seaweed farm in Gerrans Bay have been withdrawn.

8. Correspondence – Noted

9. Accounts and Finance

The Council was asked to approve the following payments:

The Bacs were approved	£6,838.28
Direct Debits/Debit Card/ Standing Orders shown as paid in December	£16,716.00
Salaries for December	£3,609.89
Income shown as received during December	£5,394.15
The car park income for December was noted.	

	Pay & Display	Pay & Display	Permits	Permits	Total
	Monthly	Cumulative	Monthly	Cumulative	Cumulative
Dec-21	5,554.80	225,878.55	0.00	39,350.00	265,228.55
Dec-22	3,879.70	216,549.95	0.00	41,007.33	257,557.28
Dec-23	1,244.10	209,857.20	0.00	37,035.86	246,893.06
Dec 2023 comparable with 2022	-2,635.60	-6,692.75		-3,971.47	-10,664.22

This includes **£3647.40** (gross) taken on card payments.

Approval of the payments of accounts was proposed by Cllr Baylis and seconded by Cllr Giles. All in favour by a show of hands. **RESOLVED** by the Council.

A request was made for more support for local businesses when making Council purchases.

10. Meetings held in November

Planning Meeting 11th December - Noted

Planning Meeting 3rd January - Noted

11. Parish Issues/Concerns

Summers Beach

The concrete steps on the beach itself have deteriorated further and are now being undermined as well. Administrator to report to the Council again. The recent weather has also removed much of the beach surface, and an old metal fence has been uncovered under the swing. Cllr Giles offered to remove this. A request was also made to cut back the vegetation on the steps leading down to Summers Beach.

Cllr Warren expressed concern about the constant leaks in St Mawes Car Park, and the damage caused by subsequent piecemeal repairs by South West Water. He requested that the Clerk contact South West Water about this issue to gain clarity about the pipe infrastructure under the car park, and enquire why so many leaks are occurring. The problem caused by the underground springs under the car park was acknowledged, but considered to be only a small part of the surface water issue in the car park.

A request was made to approach the Harbour Master about ensuring the Harbour slipway is kept clear and safe for swimmers, and to enquire about the possibility of an extra lifebelt near the slipway.

Administrator to contact Cornwall Council to check for progress on the request for a bus shelter at Halwartha.

Clerk to chase progress on the deterioration of the footpath next to Jasmine Cottage in St Just in Roseland.

12. Future Meeting Dates

January 22nd @ 5.30pm – Finance Meeting, followed by Car Park Meeting

13. Any other business that the Chairman considers to be of urgency – None

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14. Enforcement

15. Personnel Issues

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.27pm

The next meeting is on Monday 5th February 2024 at 7.00 pm

Signed as a true record.....Chairman Cllr Giles