

St Dominic Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of St Dominic Parish Council held on 6th November 2024 at St Dominick Parish Hall commencing at 7.00pm

Present: A Cox, Chair, G Brown, Vice Chair, D Potter, J Wenmoth, G Wilkins, D Fry, D Greene, S and D Hunn.

In Attendance: J Candy, Clerk, and 6 Member of the Public.

Item		Action by
1	Apologies Cllrs K Heslop and Brady	
2	Public Participation and Council Response A member of the public spoke re the decision on The Meadows, but C Cllr Long was not in attendance to answer. Another member of the public spoke re the lack of fibre broadband connections being offered to rural parts of the parish, despite close properties being connected by Voneus, Wildanet and BT. She stated that these companies were entering properties to carry out surveys. Some business operators were likely to miss out. Cllrs asked the Clerk to liaise with C Cllr Long re this matter, as Cornwall Council are involved with grants for the scheme.	
3	Report from Cornwall Councillor C Cllr Long had not sent a report.	
4	Declarations of Interest and Dispensations a) Interest in Agenda Items None b) Gifts to declare None c) Written Dispensations requested None	
5	Approval of Minutes a) The Ordinary Parish Council Minutes of 2nd October were Proposed Cllr Wilkins, Seconded Cllr Brown, All in Favour. b) Deferment of the Extraordinary Meeting minutes was agreed, as the Clerk had not prepared them, Proposed Cllr Wilkins, Seconded Cllr Brown, All in Favour.	
6	Matters arising from Minutes None.	
7	Planning a) Planning Applications Considered 1) PA24/07803 Cotehele Mill; Replacement Electric Poles Cllr Fry Proposed support, Seconded Cllr Brown , All in Favour 2) PA24/04997 4 Baber Farm: Proposed conservatory; Cllrs discussed the proposal, which they did not think was in keeping with the area, but insufficient reasons for refusal, so Cllr Hunn proposed support, Seconded Cllr Fry, All in Favour b) Planning Applications received after the publication of the Agenda None c) Planning Decisions The decisions were Noted, with thanks to Cllr Wilkins for representing the Parish Council at Planning East	Clerk Clerk

	<p>d) Planning Correspondence None</p>	
8	<p>Footpaths</p> <p>a) The overgrown vegetation on the Heritage Trail through Nanny Rowe's wood had been cleared by Cllr Brady</p> <p>b) Cllr Hunn stated that vegetation was obscuring signage in Bohetherick Wood.</p>	Cllr Cox
9	<p>Highway Matters</p> <p>a) The provision of car parking was to be investigated</p> <p>b) The Parish Hall was getting quotes for resurfacing.</p>	Cllr Brown Cllr Cox
10	<p>Safety Inspections</p> <p>a) Inspections from previous month. The checklists were noted. The Defib at the Who'd is connecting to the internet intermittently.</p> <p>b) Cllrs Fry & Cox volunteered to carry out inspections for December.</p>	Cllr Cox & Fry
11	<p>Play Equipment, Recreation Ground,</p> <p>a) The 6ft x 12ft goal posts had been delivered, Cllr Cox and Fry to arrange erection, in consultation with St Dominic FC.</p> <p>b) Cllrs Wilkins had purchased more timber to complete the bench repairs, so Cllrs Fry and Cox can continue to assist with bench repairs when the rain stops.</p> <p>c) Cllr Wilkins Proposed, Seconded Cllr Greene, that up to £100 be allocated for materials for a new "Start" sign, 6 In Favour, 2 Against</p>	Cllrs Cox & Fry Cllrs Cox, Wilkins & Fry
12	<p>Bus Shelter and other Assets</p> <p>a) Cllr Potter stated that more Poppies will be installed to mark Remembrance on the Bus Shelter.</p> <p>b) The "Welcome to St Dominick" granite sign needs a clean</p>	Cllr Fry
13	<p>Baber Court</p> <p>a) The meeting has yet to be arranged</p>	Cllr Cox
14	<p>Reports</p> <p>a) Parish Hall The Pasty and Pud event raised over £500</p> <p>b) Community Shop The Christmas goods are in stock.</p> <p>c) Community Area Panel None.</p>	
15	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>a) Cllr Cox has organised the visit to Hays Marsh on 18th November</p> <p>b) The Saltash tunnel work will now start in 2025</p>	Cllr Cox
16	<p>Community Engagement</p> <p>Cllr Brown Proposed that we adopt the following communication policy:</p> <p>a) That Cllrs photos and emails are on the website</p> <p>b) Creating a Parish Council Facebook page, linked to St Dominic Chat</p> <p>c) An article re PC business should go in the newsletter</p> <p>d) An Annual Communication strategy should be developed</p> <p>Cllr Hunn Seconded the Proposal, 6 In Favour, 2 Abstained</p>	Clerk Cllr Brown
17	<p>Training</p> <p>A list of latest training opportunities was circulated.</p>	
18	<p>Finance</p> <p>a) The Source for Business refund was being processed</p>	Clerk

	<p>b) The Clerk displayed wage calculations, including arrears, after National Pay Settlement</p> <p>c) Payments for October Cllr Wilkins Proposed, Seconded Cllr Heslop, that the payments for October be made, including any NI payments, All in Favour</p> <p>d) Bank Records, Reconciliation and Cashflow Proposed acceptance Cllr Fry Seconded Cllr Wenmoth, All in Favour.</p> <p>e) It was noted that the Cllrs Allowances are due to be paid.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
19	<p>Grants</p> <p>a) Cllr Wilkins Proposed, Seconded Cllr Potter, that the PC pays for the Christmas Tree at the Parish Hall up to £150 plus VAT.</p> <p>b) The grant for churchyard maintenance was deferred, due to the Clerk not having the details with him</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
20	<p>Urgent items not on the Agenda</p> <p>None</p>	
21	<p>Items for next Agenda</p> <p>a) "Natter and Chatter" seats</p> <p>b) Dogs on Lovells</p>	
22	<p>Details of next meeting</p> <p>The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be on 4th December at St Dominick Parish Hall at 7.00pm.</p>	

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 20.58pm

Signed.....Chairman Dated.....

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