

NORTH HILL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 8th NOVEMBER 2021

Present:

Mary Budge
Brian Ruby
Richard Randall
Steve Sandercock
Courtney Walters
Adrian Parsons
Stuart Maher
Ralph Hudson

In Attendance:

Mrs A Jones (Clerk)
Dick Knight
Mr Gubbin
Mr Gubbin Jnr
Barbara Merton
Mr and Mrs Turner

The Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall with the Chairman welcoming all present.

1. RECEIVING APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 1.1 Cllr D Daniells – Apologies Sent
- 1.2 Cllr M Stephens – Apologies Sent

2. PUBLIC SESSION

- 2.1 Mr and Mrs Turner addressed the Parish Council regarding the speeding through Congdon Shop and would like to see traffic calming to be introduced. Mr and Mrs Turner suggested a mini roundabout, flashing 30mph signage, traffic calming as in Coads Green or even sleeping policemen. Residents of Congdons Shop do not feel safe when stepping out of the front doors and often feel their houses shakes especially when a large lorry passes through. The Chairman responded to their requests, stating that for over 30 years the Parish Council has been trying to introduce measures to stop speeding, and personally felt delighted when the speed limit was only recently reduced to 40mph. Unfortunately, it is felt that it is possibly local people speeding. The Parish Council will contact the local Police and request a Speed Check to be carried out, as the last one completed was during Lockdown and this did not give a true reading. The Parish Council will also raise this issue with Highways.

3. MS ELLIE WATSON NEIGHBOURHOOD ENFORCEMENT OFFICER CORNWALL HOUSING

- 3.1 Ms Ellie Watson had been invited to attend this meeting, but no reply had been given to the Clerk.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 4.1 No Declarations declared.

5. APPROVING MINUTES

- 5.1 Minutes from 12th October 2021 proposed and agreed 1st Cllr S Sandercock 2nd Cllr C Walters. All Councillors in favour of the Chairman to sign.

6. REVIEW OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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Chairman

- 6.1 PA21/08872 Outline application with all matters reserved for affordable led residential development of up to four dwellings Land South Of Blacksmiths Meadow Penhole Road Coads Green Launceston Cornwall. Mr Gubbins was happy to answer any of the Parish Council's questions. Unfortunately Mr Gubbins wife is poorly and wishes to build a purpose built Dorma bungalow and reassures Councillors that with the proposed buildings being all Bungalows this will not interfere with views and the Village Hall. All the previous builds Mr Gubbin has completed to a high standard and therefore provided a good standard of living to those with a local connection. Cllr B Ruby abstained. Cllr A Parsons abstained. Proposed 1st Cllr S Sandercock 2nd Cllr S Maher Supported by Cllr Budge and Hudson. Cllr Randall opposed as the proposed development does not support the North Hill Development Plan item H1.
- 6.2 PA21/09756 Change of use of land to graveyard Victory Hall Lynher Close North Hill Launceston PL15 7PQ – The Clerk has submitted comment to Cornwall Council stating that this is North Hill's Parish Council Application. Councillor Randall suggests the Parish Council look into have procedures in place for when the Cemetery is installed.

7. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 The Closed Church Building of North Hill St Torney – The Parish Councillors are happy to support this scheme but wish to inform them the Parish Council still have the Stocks and Bere in the Church and are they happy to keep for storage. Proposed 1st Cllr B Ruby 2nd Cllr A Parsons with all Councillors in favour.
- 7.2 Cornwall Transport Consultation – The Clerk has requested all Councillors to have a look at this online.
- 7.3 Dog Bins Donna Latham – The Clerk has contacted D Latham of CCC regarding the Dog Bins and the lack of invoices. Ms Latham will be looking into this matter on behalf of the Parish Council.

8. REVIEW OF CLERK'S REPORT

- 8.1 Middlewood Notice Board – The Notice Board has now been delivered and is waiting to be erected.
- 8.2 Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022 – The Chairman will speak to Mr P Medland to see if he would not mind if the Parish Council hold a "Lighting of the Beacon" in the Queens Celebrations. Mr Medland has ground which can be seen throughout most of the Parish. Clerk to look into purchasing a Beacon. Councillors wish to purchase Coins for the Children of the Parish from Tower Mint London at £2.99 per unit. A minimum of 50 can be ordered. Clerk to issue notices for Parents to contact and request number of Coins. Proposed 1st Cllr R Hudson 2nd Cllr C Walters with all Councillors in favour.
- 8.3 War Memorial – As Councillors requested during the last meeting, I have looked into the possibility of adding the names to a Plaque and being placed in or beside the War Memorial at Congdons Shop.
- After doing research and speaking to www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk whom work alongside Historic England, I have completed my research with the following information:
1. For those names which are on Memorials in other Parishes even though they are from North Hill, that was the decision made at that time and this should be respected.

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2. For names missing off War Memorials this may be intentional, for example: A family may have lost faith during the War and therefore did not want a name to be listed on a Cross. Another example may be their religion. Again, these decisions at this time should be respected.

3. If names are missing and can be proven to be “missed” then this is a different scenario, this would have to be looked into a lot further.

4. I also understand that you cannot add a plaque to, behind or aside the War Memorial as this is a listed II Monument.

For all information on War Memorials Regulations please visit the above website.

8.4 Play Area – The Chairman thanked all for attending and to the wives for making cakes. A very successful opening for North Hill Play Area. Thank you.

8.5 Community Chest Grant – Thank you to County Council A Parsons for his £500 to the Parish Council to enable a purchase of a Park Bench for the Play Area.

9. FINANCES

9.1 Authorisation of Expenses – Proposed 1st Cllr A Parsons 2nd Cllr R Randall with all Councillors in favour.

- A Jones Balloon Canister Postage £35.36

- Community Heart Beat Trust Village Telephone System £120.00

9.2 Wages - Wages of £719.64 to cover room rent, internet and mobile costs were authorised.

9.3 Update of Current Account as of 28 October 2021 - £33453.93

9.4 Update of Savings Account as of 11th October 2021 - £1.01

9.5 Monthly Budget Sheet - Provided for information. No comments were raised.

9.6 RAG - Provided for information. No comments were raised.

10. NEXT MEETING

10.1 Next Meeting - Monday 13th December 2021 at 7.30pm, North Hill Village Hall.

11 CLOSED MEETING – Requested by Clerk. Please refer to Confidential Minutes.

Meeting ended at 9.40pm.

Sign & Date _____

Chairman