

ST EWE PARISH COUNCIL **DRAFT MINUTES**

Ordinary Meeting, MONDAY 9 November 2020

7.00 pm, ONLINE via Zoom

PRESENT:

Councillors: Will Richards (Chairman), John Dickinson (Vice-chairman), Diane Clemes, Adam Getliff, Tracey Jenkin, Janet Lockyer, Peter Shannon, Jeremy Upton.

ALSO PRESENT:

Clerk to the Parish, Mrs Christine Wilson, Acting Ward Member Cllr James Mustoe, and two members of the public.

ABSENT:

Trevor Johns and Philip Vellenoweth.

NOTE ON JOINING ONLINE MEETINGS AS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

Members of the public request online Meeting details in advance from the Clerk in order to join the meeting online.

ABBREVIATIONS:

Councillors' names – abbreviated with their initials. CC – Cornwall Council. CNP – Community Network Panel. LMP – Local Maintenance Partnership. PC – Parish Council. *** indicates consultee comments for planning applications decided by the Parish Council; formal submission is delegated to the Clerk.

MINUTES:

The meeting began at 7.05 pm and the Chair welcomed all.

20/57 Apologies

Apologies were received from Toni Dowrick.

20/58 Declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

AG declared his interest in the planning application PA20/05626 at 20/64.C.ii because that is his place of work.

20/59 Public Session

- A Ramon van de Velde, Operations Director Smit Associates, had sent an email about the purpose of the cabins which was distributed to all councillors. During the public session, he explained further and answered questions from the council. In summary
- The portacabins came from a school that went into administration.
 - The cabins will be used for staff and educational purposes, furthering the aims of Heligan as a centre of educational outreach.
 - 4-5 evergreen oaks of 4-5 metres high are arriving to be planted as a screen.
 - They are considering a 'living wall' in front of the cabins, which would be very expensive.
 - A parishioner had asked a councillor whether this new facility will need further car park space and whether car parks need planning permission. Mr van de Velde did not know, but the clerk will enquire with the case officer.

The Chairman moved Item 20/64.C.ii forward. See the decision at that item.

A member of the public left the meeting.

- B Michael Bunney explained that he continues to post on the Facebook page: *St.Ewe and local area support group*. There have been no requests for help during the current second lockdown. It appears that the support groups that were put in place during the first lockdown are still working well. If anyone needs help with medical supplies, shopping, etc. please do contact Michael through the Facebook page, email michaelbunney84@gmail.com or telephone 07939 457590.

He is also collecting old photographs of people and places in the area of St Goran and St Ewe parishes. He will send a couple photos to the clerk to post on the website *Notices* page with a request for old photos of St Ewe parish, so he can digitalise them to preserve them.

ACTION: Clerk

20/60 Meetings and governance

- A The council **RESOLVED** (proposed DC, 2nd AG) that the minutes, as read, of the ONLINE meeting on 14 September 2020 held via *Zoom* were a true and correct record. The Chair's signature will be obtained by post.

20/61 Finance

- A It was **RESOLVED** (proposed DC, 2nd WR) to receive the Clerk's reports: *Bank Reconciliation* for the second quarter Jul-Sep'20, and the *Budget Comparison* and *Cash Flow* to the end of October 2020, as a correct record.
- B It was **RESOLVED** (proposed AG, 2nd JD) to share the Clerk's training with her other parish council: 25% of £25.00 to attend Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) National Conference 2020 held online.
- C It was **RESOLVED** (proposed AG, 2nd DC) to share the Clerk's training with her other parish council: 25% of £30.00 for a course from the SLCC on accessible Excel documents.
- D The council **AUTHORISED** payments for November 2020 totalling £1,677.92 (proposed JD, 2nd DC).
- | Description | Amount with VAT | VAT |
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| Clerk's salary and expenses | 500.32 | 0.00 |
| HMRC payment | 46.40 | 0.00 |
| Footpaths & Verges, notice boards, 2nd pmt | 871.20 | 145.20 |
| Village Hall Room Hire | 260.00 | 0.00 |

20/62 Reports

- A Report on Actions
- The Electoral Review panel for the Community Governance Review recommends that no changes are made to the borders of St Ewe Parish.
 - Steve Double, MP, intervened on our behalf with British Telecom to ensure that the telephone box at Polmassick was connected again and made functional. The parish council considers a telephone box at Polmassick necessary because mobile signal is so poor in that area. The clerk will reply with thanks.
 - List of farmers and contractors. The clerk will consult with WR, DC and TJo to make a list to deliver the letter, as agreed at the last meeting, in the spring. It was **NOTED** that at least two parishioners had spoken with contractors this year about the speed of their drivers and there was an obvious immediate and lasting improvement.

- B Acting Ward Member James Mustoe's report to the Parish.
- The Covid Winter Grant Scheme is up and running.
 - St Ewe parish is very peaceful and most of his recent work has been in other parishes.
 - His Community Chest grant for LED lighting in the Village Hall was gratefully received.
 - He reports Highways faults when they are reported to him.
 - He has received a number of questions and negative comments about the portacabins at Heligan Gardens.
 - He also helped get BT's attention regarding the Polmassick Telephone Box which is now working.
 - He successfully argued in favour of Pentewan Valley and Carlyon Bay parishes against the CGR recommendation for annexation of land by St Austell Town Council. In theory the Community Governance Review should be a 'once in a generation' review, though it was also said by the Chair of the Electoral Review Panel that it could be revisited in a few years and Cllr Mustoe thinks earlier reviews would be a great waste of money.

20/63 Considerations

A The Climate Emergency suggestions.
<p>i. PS suggested that streetlights in the rural parish of St Ewe could be turned off at midnight. After discussion, the council RESOLVED (proposed PS, 2nd TJe) that the clerk will write to the council asking whether this is possible for the villages and hamlets of St Ewe, Kestle, Polmassick and Pengrugla.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk</p>
<p>ii. JD again suggested planting Christmas trees for future use at the Church during the Christmas season. Finding a Christmas tree for this year was discussed and as a result it appears that one has been found.</p>
<p>B St Ewe Climate Emergency Working Party. The parish council RESOLVED (proposed JU, 2nd WR) to form a Working Party. Cllr Upton volunteered to be coordinator and the first business will be to use the excellent <i>St Ewe Climate Emergency Awareness Raising Session 2020</i> as a guide. It is a document outlined by a parishioner specifically for St Ewe parish. The Clerk will assist with organisation.</p>
<p>C Parking problems. A letter was received from a parishioner about parking problems in St Ewe and Polmassick. Unfortunately, the parish council has no powers to alleviate parking problems, but the parish council will continue to monitor the situation and the Clerk will reply.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk</p>

20/64 Planning

A Of note. Planning decisions are reported in Clerk's Notes and on the website.
<p>B Planning Correspondence.</p> <p>i. Solar Farm at Treggorick Farm, St Austell, Cornwall, PL26 7AG. The council NOTED that the public is invited to a community consultation engagement in relation to the development of a proposed ground mounted solar farm and associated infrastructure with battery storage, at land at Treggorick Farm, St Austell PL26 7AG. The event will take place online at www.enzygo.com/treggorick-solar to enable participants to view the proposed plans. The consultation period will run between 9th Nov 2020 and 4th Dec 2020.</p>

C Applications for consultee comments.

- i. **PA20/03842** | Conversion of existing hotel building to provide a 14 bedroom hotel with restaurant (A3 use class) and retail shop (A1 use class) and demolition of existing buildings/structure and erection of 25 residential apartments/houses, together with access, highway remediation, car parking infrastructure, landscaping and ancillary works. | Pendower Beach House Hotel Rocky Lane Ruan High Lanes Truro Cornwall TR2 5LW.

The council discussed the application and **RESOLVED** (proposed WR, 2nd JU) to submit the following consultee comments:

*** St Ewe Parish Council has reviewed the changes to this application and does not change its original comments, submitted after its meeting in July 2020.

AG did not participate in the discussion or vote for the following item.

- ii. **PA20/05626** | Use of land to station portacabins to provide education/ demonstration and office facilities | The Lost Gardens Of Heligan Road From Heligan Gardens Entrance To Heligan Mill Pentewan St Austell PL26 6EN.

The parish council **RESOLVED** (proposed /TJe, 2nd JL) to submit the following consultee comments:

*** St Ewe Parish Council considered the new screening methods proposed to mitigate visual impact. However, it does not consider these sufficient in the larger context near an area of outstanding natural beauty when seen from the highway and campground. It continues to OBJECT to the application and will not change its consultee comments which were resolved at the extraordinary meeting held on 24 August 2020 and submitted online.

- iii. **PA20/09307** | Proposed kitchen extension | Bakers Barn Tucoyse Farm Tregony TR2 5SJ

The council discussed the application and **RESOLVED** (proposed PS, 2nd TJe) to submit the following consultee comments:

*** St Ewe Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this application. It is infill and has no visual impact.

20/65 Highways & Flooding

The council has **NOTED** the quick response by Highways to complaints about potholes and drains. Most of the drains have been cleared recently. There were no reports of problems.

20/66 Assets – reports and maintenance

A Footpaths and verges. Nothing to report

B Telephone Kiosks. The DEFIBRILLATOR signs are now in place at the St Ewe kiosk.

C Website. The website is now compliant with the new accessibility standards.

20/67 Parish Matters – reports

A Climate Emergency. See Items 20/63A & B.

B SE AHL (St Ewe Affordable Housing Limited). Nothing to report.

C Emergency Plan. Nothing to add. The measures put in place during the first coronavirus lockdown appear to be working during this second lockdown. See also 29/59.B.

D The Village Hall wrote thanking the parish council for its generous grant for LED lighting.

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| E | Church Bells. Installation of the bells will be completed this week. One expert and about five helpers have done all the work. Everyone in the parish is grateful for their grand efforts. There are still a lot of building works to be completed. The bells will be tested briefly, but they will not be rung together until all the building work in the tower is dry, or the reverberations will bring it all down again. Also, Covid measures prohibit bellringing because it does not allow social distance, so the bells will not be heard properly until sometime next year. |
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20/68 Correspondence & Invitations (complete list in Clerk's Notes)

Nothing discussed.

20/69 Business for the next meeting

Budget & Precept 2021-22 at an extraordinary meeting, Mon, 23 rd November.

20/70 Second Public Session for feedback from the public

None.

20/71 Dates of next meetings.

A	Extraordinary Meeting will be called for Monday, 23 November 2020 to consider and decide the 2021-22 Budget and Precept.
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B	Ordinary Meeting 11 January 2021, 7.00 pm ONLINE via Zoom.
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The meeting closed at 8.50 pm and the Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

Mrs C Wilson ~ Parish Clerk ~ 11 November 2020

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THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES.

Chair of meeting: _____ Date: _____