

## Minutes | 17 March 2022

Time: 7.30pm  
Location: Menheniot Old School, Menheniot PL14 3QS  
Present: Cllrs: Jerry Tucker, Eve Easterbrook, Sean Smith, Tony Ball, Julian Berg.  
Also present; John Hesketh (Clerk to the Parish Council). There were no members of the public in attendance

### **15/2022 Chairman's Welcome.**

Chair welcomes councillors to the public meeting.

### **Statement on Ukraine**

The Chair asked councillors to endorse a statement of support for the people of Ukraine: *Menheniot Parish Council strongly condemns the multiple attacks and violations of the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Ukraine. They express their full support and solidarity to the Ukrainian people and their peers in local and regional government.*

All councillors supported the statement.

**Action:** Clerk to publish statement on behalf of the councillors and residents of the parish.

### **16/2022 Apologies for Absence.**

Received from Cllr Cole, Clarke, Cade and Crocker. No apology received from Cllr Curgenven.

### **17/2022 Members' Declarations.**

No declarations made or dispensations requested.

### **18/2022 Public Participation.**

Cornwall Councillor Phil Seeva reported that: at its meeting on 22 February, Cornwall Council had passed its budget and agreed council tax increase of 2.99%; toll fees at the Tamar Bridge would be increased by 30% with effect from 1 April subject to the production of a business plan; Cornwall Council had taken steps to ensure that none of its pension funds were invested in Russia related enterprises; Community Chest open for new applications from 1 April. Update on planning application at Lower Clicker: planning officer has received a noise survey and is assessing its findings; officer also determining whether or not the premises are operating as a commercial business.

### **19/2022 Minutes of Meeting.**

It was **Resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 17 February 2022. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Ball. All agreed.

### **20/2022 Matters arising**

03/2022 Update on meeting with Mr Keith Goldsmith

A group of councillors met with Mr Goldsmith after the previous meeting to discuss how the assets of the cricket club may be disposed of in the event of its dissolution. Mr Goldsmith will discuss this with the club committee and suggest that the first option for disposal should be to offer the property to the parish council.

**21/2022 Correspondence:** None received

### **22/2022 Planning**

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Ref: PA22/00537

Erection of a 2-storey single dwelling house.

Location Scawns House Menheniot Cornwall

It was **Resolved** to support this planning application subject to receipt of a satisfactory risk assessment of the contaminated land. Proposed Cllr Ball. Seconded Cllr Smith. All agreed.

Ref: PA22/01459

Proposal: Outline application with all matters reserved for proposed agricultural dwelling

Location: Land North East Of Trenodden Farm Trerulefoot Cornwall PL14 3RE

It was **Resolved** to support this planning application Proposed Cllr Berg. Seconded Cllr Ball. All agreed.

Ref: PA22/01764

Proposal: Installation of 6 EV bays and associated infrastructure

Location: Plymouth Road Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3WQ

It was **Resolved** to support this planning application. Proposed Cllr Smith. Seconded Cllr Tucker. All agreed. In making their decision, councillors noted that in the application section marked 'Trees & Hedges', the answers to both questions are in the negative. However, the aerial view of the site (as contained in the site location plans) clearly show the presence of mature trees. Policy 12iii of the Menheniot Neighbourhood Plan states that development proposals: 'be accompanied by a detailed landscaping scheme which includes the replacement of trees lost as a result of the development at a ratio of 3:1 where achievable'. Councillors ask that this policy be applied to the application.

Ref: PA22/00002/NDP

Proposal Morval Neighbourhood Development Plan

Applicant Morval Parish Council

Councillors received and noted the plan.

B Any applications received by Cornwall Council by the time of the meeting. Information only.

Ref: PA22/01706

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for the demolition of the existing badly deteriorated timber front porch and its replacement with an open ended porch.

Location: Merrymeet House Merrymeet Liskeard Cornwall

C Planning decisions made by Cornwall Council. None made.

## 23/2022 Finance

A Accounts for Payment – Schedule 2021/22

It was **Resolved** to approve the schedule and agree payment. Proposed Cllr Tucker. Seconded Cllr Smith. All agreed. Cllr Easterbrook will authorise online payments.

Date	Payee	Description	Pay	£
21/03/2022	St Lalluwys Church	Venue hire	OLB	12.50
21/03/2022	Paragon Internet	Web hosting	OLB	41.99
28/03/2022	Salaries	Feb-22	OLB	760.15
28/03/2022	HMRC	PAYE	OLB	86.60
<b>All payments this period</b>				<b>£ 901.24</b>

B Bank Receipts. For information.

Date	Payer	Description	£
Feb period	Allotment rental	Period	156.00
28/02/2022	Licence fee	Flowerbed	30.00
28/02/2022	Cornwall Council	Call Account Interest	20.76
<b>All bank receipts this period</b>			<b>£ 206.76</b>

C Bank Reconciliation.

At the close of business on 28 February 2022, the parish council held £81,335.01 in its accounts.

D Cornwall Local Maintenance Partnership 2022/23

It was Resolved to accept the LMP proposal. Proposed Cllr Smith. Seconded Cllr Tucker. All agreed.

**Action:** Clerk to sign and return LMP documents.

#### **24/2022 Chair's Agenda Items.**

A Neighbourhood Development Plan. Referendum called for Thursday 7 April 2022.

**Action:** Clerk to create summary flyer for distribution at Old School coffee morning

B Safer A38: progress report.

Cllr Tucker has now been elected to sit on the Safer A38 management committee.

C Village Green: flooding and repairs.

Now repaired. Will keep a watching brief on performance.

D Boundary Review Working Group

The Group had met on 3 March to discuss and agree a response to the current consultation.

It was **Resolved** to support retention of the existing boundary between Menheniot and Liskeard. Proposed Cllr Tucker. Seconded Cllr Easterbrook. All agreed.

**Action:** Clerk to complete consultation return.

E Donation to the people of Ukraine

It was **Resolved** to make a donation of £2000 to the Disasters Emergency Committee from the General Reserve. Proposed Cllr Berg. Seconded Cllr Tucker. All agreed.

**Action:** Clerk to transfer funds.

#### **25/2022 Councillors' Reports**

A Cllr Adrian Cole

Clerk presented a progress report on Menheniot Green from the meeting held on 3 March 2022, that: Wildflower Border will progress and be supported by the primary school; thanks Jaynene White for her continuing work at Mine Hill; Merrymeet Residents Association preparing for a working day on 26 March; Tree of Life project (with primary school) progressing; local branch of Old Cornwall Society and volunteers from St Lalluwys Church working on the Holy Well on 19 March.

*This report is available on the council's website.*

B Cllr Sean Smith

Reported back that the council's emergency plan had been declared during Storm Eunice. Reactions had been positive, and the post emergency review had identified the need to prepare kitbags for coordinators and improve communication with Community Helpers. Cornwall Council will support a desk-top exercise to test the working of the plan.

**Action:** Cllr Cole will liaise with Cornwall Council to set up the exercise.

#### **26/2022 Clerk's Report.**

A Casual vacancy

Vacancy still outstanding. Clerk has received two expressions of interest that have not progressed.

B Grounds maintenance

Discussed during closed session.

C Renewal of lease with Menheniot Sports Association

Plans and maps have been created and passed to Coodes for final inclusion in the lease.

#### **27/2022 Diary Dates.**

A The next Public Meeting will be on Thursday 21 April 2022, at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church, Merrymeet.

#### **28/2022 Closed Session**

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of Business.

Councillors discussed the bids they had received and agreed to postpone a final decision on the choice of contractor to maintain the public grounds in the parish. This is because of the limited number of tenders received, and the unexpected increase in costs presented. Councillors also agreed to extend the period of tendering up to 14 April 2022 in order to encourage further tenders to be submitted. A final decision on the choice of contractor will be made in closed session at the next public meeting on 21 April 2022.

**29/2022      End of meeting 21.40**

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