

# Whitstone Parish Council

## MINUTES – October 12, 2023

1. **Public question time** (15 minutes allowed for this)  
None 23/167
  
2. **To receive county councillor Nicky Chopak's report on matters arising**  
Cllr Chopak gave the results for the speed visor that was in the village earlier this year. A total of 86,638 vehicles passed through between March 14 and May 11, an average of 1,494 each day. The average percentile speed was 31.5mph. However, one vehicle, was noted to be travelling at 70mph at 8.45am one morning, which threw the average out. The summary of the results concluded that there was not a speeding issue in the village. She encouraged parishioners to apply for the £150 energy rebate if they are eligible. Cllr Chopak also reported that the High Court quashed the planning approval for the crematorium at Poundstock. However, she said the application could come back again. The next Community Area Partnership meeting will be held in December. 23/168
  
3. **To note councillors present**  
Cllrs R Horn (chair), C Hopper, G Martyn, M Collins, R Orchard and A Medland. Also in attendance, Cllr N Chopak, three members of the public and S Cleave, clerk. 23/169
  
4. **To receive apologies, with reasons for absence**  
Cllr N Furse – holiday. 23/170
  
5. **Declarations of interest**  
None. 23/171
  
6. **To receive and approve minutes of the last meeting**  
Councillors approved the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on Thursday, September 14, 2023.  
**Proposed: R Horn    Seconded: G Martyn    Votes: Unanimous** 23/172
  
7. **To receive the clerk's report on matters arising.**  
The clerk's report was noted. 23/173
  
8. **Consideration of planning applications**  
None. 23/174
  
- b. To note any decisions or other consultations received.**  
The following decisions were noted:  
PA23/03939 – Change of use of former office building to dwelling for use for holiday let purposes. Office adjacent to Kell House, Meadowside, Whitstone.  
**Approved**

Councillors felt that this decision was disappointing, and the clerk to write to Cornwall Council building control to ask that the building needs to comply with building regulations and also have a fire risk assessment.

PA23/00955/PRE – Pre-application advice for the construction of two bedroom house to replace the dwelling that was demolished on the same site (parts of which are still standing). Stretchley, Whitstone **Closed – advice given**  
**23/175**

## 9. Portfolio reports:

- Footpaths  
Cllr Hopper reported that the stile materials have been delivered, along with instructions on how to put it together. Councillors to sort a working party to carry out the work. **23/176**
- Localism / Parish Plan / Bude & Camelford CAP  
No report. **23/177**
- Parish Hall  
Cllr Collins reported that someone approached him to ask if they would be able to park in the hall car park and sell fish and chips. The matter will be dealt with by the hall management committee, but Cllr Collins said there may be a possible contravention of the hall constitution. **23/178**
- Grants  
No applications received. **23/179**

## 9. Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted: Cornwall Council budget update reminder; air quality engagement events; have your say on Cornwall Council draft budget information. **23/180**

## 10. Agenda items

1. Parish meal  
Cllr Hopper said the idea had arisen to hold a parish meal again. It was decided to hold a parish meal, with the date of February 24<sup>th</sup> provisionally booked. The meal will work on the same financial basis as before, with the parish council subsidising through a grant. The meal will be advertised accordingly. **23/181**
2. Bus shelter  
A working group to be set up to tidy the hedge behind the bus shelter. **23/182**
3. Foxhole planning  
Standing orders were suspended for Gareth Short from R A Rowe & Co to address councillors on a potential planning application at Foxhole to gauge local opinion. **23/183**

## 11. Accounts

### 11a. Balances October 6, 2023

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Current Account          | £26,867.90 |
| <b>Community Benefit</b> |            |
| Reserve Account          | £56,607.98 |
| CCLA Property Fund       | £45,000.00 |

**11b. To approve accounts for payment**

- Clerk – September wages £ 208.00
- HMRC £ 52.00
- Clerk – mileage and printing £ 33.70

**11c. To note income**

- Reserve account interest £ 65.14

Councillors agreed the accounts and payments.

**Proposed: C Hopper    Seconded: G Martyn    Votes: Unanimous 23/184**

**12. Items for the next agenda (November 9)**

Parish meal; purchase of footballs; Remembrance; working groups for hedge, stile and war memorial.

The meeting closed at 8.07pm.