

# Whitstone Parish Council

## Minutes – March 14, 2024

1. **Public question time** (15 minutes allowed for this)  
None. 24/41
2. **To receive county councillor Nicky Chopak's report on matters arising**  
No report. 24/42
3. **To note councillors present**  
Cllrs R Horn (chair), C Hopper, G Martyn, A Medland and R Orchard. Also in attendance: S Cleave, clerk. 24/43
4. **To receive apologies, with reasons for absence**  
Cllr Furse – holiday; Cllr Chopak. 24/44
5. **Declarations of interest**  
None 24/45
6. **To receive and approve minutes of the last meeting**  
Councillors approved the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on Thursday, February 8, 2024.  
**Proposed: G Martyn      Seconded: C Hopper      Votes: Four in favour, one abstention** 24/46
7. **To receive the clerk's report on matters arising.**  
The clerk's report was noted. 24/47
8. **Consideration of planning applications**  
None. 24/48  
  
**b. To note any decisions or other consultations received.**  
The following decisions were noted:  
PA24/01785 - Prior approval notification to determine if planning permission is required for replacement of existing slurry tower with a like for like structure, as part of the Rural Payment Agency's slurry infrastructure grant scheme. West Balsdon Farm, Whitstone.  
  
PA24/01487 – Prior approval notification to determine if planning permission is required for a hay & straw storage building. Little Luckham, Whitstone. 24/49
9. **Portfolio reports:**
  - Footpaths  
The clerk was contacted by the owners of a property who enquired about the footpath near to Willow Bay Country Park. The clerk to report it to Chris Monk at Cornwall Council and contact the resident to say the council is seeking guidance from Cornwall Council. 24/50

- Localism / Parish Plan / Bude & Camelford CAP  
No report. 24/51
- Parish Hall  
No report. 24/52
- Grants – Whitstone Primary School  
The council considered a grant request for a school minibus. To grant any sum over £500, more information would be needed. The clerk to ask the school to re-apply with more information. 24/53

## 10. Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted: Community Area Partnership agenda; CAP housing section of the North Cornwall Action Plan; Cornwall Council Town and Parish Council newsletter. 24/54

## 11. Agenda items

### 1. Parish meal

The parish meal will be held on Paril 13 at the hall. Details and information on how to book will be published on Facebook. The two-course meal will cost £10 per adult and £6 per primary school child. The parish council will provide teas and coffees. Councillors agreed to pay the £100 deposit.

**Proposed: R Horn    Seconded: R Orchard    Votes: Unanimous 24/55**

### 2. Willsworthy Cross gateway

It was noted that Cllr Chopak is aware of the new gateway and Cornwall Council are looking into it. 24/56

### 3. War memorial fencing

The fencing around the war memorial is coming up to 10-years-old and is worn out. It was proposed for the council to spend up to £300 to replace.

**Proposed: G Martyn    Seconded: C Hopper    Votes: Unanimous 24/57**

### 4. Defibrillator

It was resolved to purchase a new defibrillator. The clerk to get three quotes and spend up to £1,500.

**Proposed: R Horn    Seconded: R Orchard    Votes: Unanimous 24/58**

### 5. Hedge trimming

Hedge trimming around the bus shelter will take place on a forthcoming Saturday. Councillors to arrange a suitable date. 24/59

### 6. Whitstone School consultation

Councillors noted that as a parish council, they have not heard any adverse feeling to the letter and the plans. 24/60

### 7. Willow Bay Country Park footpath

Discussed above. 24/61

### 8. Annual Parish Meeting

The 2024 annual parish meeting will be held on April 11<sup>th</sup>, the same evening as the ordinary meeting. The clerk to contact parish organisations for a report. 24/62

9. Pension

Councillors resolved the following: That all employees of the parish council shall be members of the Local Government Pension Scheme if, in any particular case, the individual makes written request to the council and the council agrees to that request.

**Proposed: R Orchard Seconded: C Hopper Votes: Unanimous 24/63**

12. **Accounts**

12a. **Balances March 6, 2024**

Current Account	£28,639.80
<b>Community Benefit</b>	
Reserve Account	£56,952.89
CCLA Property Fund	£45,000.00

12b. **To approve accounts for payment**

• Clerk – February wages	£ 208.00
• HMRC	£ 52.00
• Clerk – mileage and printing	£ 33.70
• The Proper Hog – parish meal deposit	£ 100.00
• St Anne’s Parish Hall – hire (x 6)	£ 60.00

12c. **To note income**

• Reserve account interest	£ 65.54
• Whitstone Methodist Church overpayment of grant	£ 10.00

Councillors approved the payments and accounts.

**Proposed: G Martyn Seconded: A Medland Votes: Unanimous 24/64**

13. **Items for the next agenda – April 11, 2024**

Parish meal.