

# Whitstone Parish Council

## Minutes – Thursday, July 11, 2024

1. **Public question time** (15 minutes allowed for this)  
One member of the public attended and spoke on the Downrow DMMO. He explained their situation and confirmed they would be fighting on with their objection. 24/137
2. **To receive county councillor Nicky Chopak's report on matters arising**  
Cllr Chopak said North Cornwall's new MP Ben Maguire is very keen. He is happy to attend every parish council by the end of the year. They are setting the clock again in terms of what North Cornwall needs with infrastructure, etc. Two main things happening with Cornwall Council – there has been talk about fluoridation in water. The council has said no to this. Cornwall Council are planning to pass all their car parks to a company called Initial, with the aim of getting more income. This will not be every car park, and at this stage Cllr Chopak did not know which would be affected. Full council meeting will be held next week. The roll out of the waste and recycling scheme is underway and will be in this area by the first or second week of October. 24/138
3. **To note councillors present**  
Cllrs N Furse (chair); C Hopper; M Collins; G Martyn and R Orchard. Also in attendance: Cllr N Chopak; S Cleave, clerk; and one member of public. 24/139
4. **To receive apologies, with reasons for absence**  
Cllr Horn – work; Cllr A Medland – holiday. 24/140
5. **Declarations of interest**  
No. 24/141
6. **To receive and approve minutes of the last meeting**  
Councillors approved the minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on Thursday, June 13, 2024.  
**Proposed: C Hopper   Seconded: M Collins   Votes: Unanimous** 24/142
7. **To receive the clerk's report on matters arising**  
The clerk's report was noted. Whitstone Methodist Chapel will hold an exhibition in September celebrating the community of Whitstone. Groups are invited to exhibit something to depict their organisation or business. This will take place on September 7 and 8. 24/143
8. **Consideration of planning applications**  
PA24/03137 – Construction of a linked extension to provide additional bedrooms and care facilities to existing residential home, following demolition of existing entrance lobby and including formation of a new access to rear of existing building. St Anne's Residential Home, Whitstone.  
Councillors raised no objection to the plans.  
**Proposed: R Orchard   Seconded: G Martyn   Votes: Unanimous** 24/144

PA24/04577 – Erection of agricultural general-purpose building and concreting over an existing hardstanding yard area. East Balsdon Farm, Whitstone.

Councillors raised no objection to the plans.

**Proposed: N Furse    Seconded: G Martyn    Votes: Unanimous 24/145**

**b. To note any decisions or other consultations received.**

None. 24/146

**9. Portfolio reports:**

- Footpaths  
No report. 24/147
  
- Localism / Parish Plan / Bude & Camelford CAP  
No report. 24/148
  
- Parish Hall  
No report. 24/149
  
- Grants – none received  
No report. 24/150

**10. Correspondence**

The following correspondence was noted: Cornwall Council Planning and Development for Businesses webinar; invitation to 2<sup>nd</sup> Bude & Jacobstow scouts hut opening. 24/151

**11. Agenda items**

1. Carnival  
The carnival week will start on Saturday with children's sports, a flower and produce show and a ball roll. A treasure hunt will be held a week Friday and the carnival on the Saturday. A round-up will be placed on the September agenda. 24/152
  
2. Hedge trimming  
The area is a Cornwall Housing property, so Cllr Chopak will look at getting this sorted. 24/153
  
3. DMMO – Downrow  
The council will respond to Cornwall Council, conceding that their points are irrelevant to the objections. The council understands that one of its parishioners will be taking it to the Secretary of State and the council will support its parishioner, in as far as there has been no record of a right of way across the property in living history.  
**Proposed: R Orchard    Seconded: C Hopper    Votes: Unanimous 24/154**
  
4. War memorial fencing  
This will be deferred until the September meeting. 24/155
  
5. August payments

Councillors voted to approve the payment of the August payments by BACS. The clerk will send the payments round and these will be ratified in September.

**Proposed: C Hopper Seconded: G Martyn Votes: Unanimous 24/156**

**12. Accounts**

**12a. Balances July 4, 2024**

Current Account £27,864.34

**Community Benefit**

Reserve Account £57,224.88

CCLA Property Fund £45,000.00

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

- Clerk – June wages inc HMRC As per contract
- Clerk – mileage and printing £ 43.60
- Cornwall Pension Fund – June £ 51.67
- Imperative training - defibrillator service £ 198.60 (approved at June meeting)
- Suzanne Cochrane – five reams of A4 paper £18.90
- St Anne’s Hall – hall hire Apr to June £40.00

**12c. To note income**

- Reserve account interest £ 63.58

Councillors approved the payments and accounts.

**Proposed: C Hopper Seconded: M Collins Votes: Unanimous 24/157**

**13. Items for the next agenda – (September 12)**

Carnival round-up; defibrillator; stile; war memorial fencing; ratify August payments.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.