

Whitstone Parish Council

Minutes – Thursday, October 10, 2024

1. **Public question time** (15 minutes allowed for this)
None. 24/177

 2. **To receive county councillor Nicky Chopak's report on matters arising**
Cllr Chopak informed councillors of an alleged sexual assault that had taken place in Whitstone. The police are involved.
There are ongoing discussions about Newquay Airport and Cornwall car parks – resulting in a vote of no confidence in the leader. This initially failed by two votes, but the vote was taken again and went through. Cllr Chopak said there is a £60m overspend, which needs to be clawed back by April, otherwise it will be the first time Cornwall Council will not have a balanced budget. School transport is a large part of the budget, including the many taxis being used to take children to school. Discussions around this are ongoing.
The new waste and recycling contract starts on November 4. Cllr Chopak is aware of some problems at Paradise Park. Residents are advised to check the date on the leaflet to let them know which day their collection will be, as some have changed. Green waste days remain the same. Residents can check on the Cornwall Council website by putting in their postcode.
Cllr Chopak has chased the bus shelter strimming, and she will ask Highways if they will put a light in the bus shelter. 24/178

 3. **To note councillors present**
Cllrs N Furse (chair); G Martyn and M Collins. Also in attendance: Cllr Chopak and S Cleave, clerk. 24/179

 4. **To receive apologies, with reasons for absence**
Cllr Orchard and Cllr Hopper – prior engagements. 24/180

 5. **Declarations of interest**
None. 24/181

 6. **To receive and approve minutes of the last meeting**
As there were only three in attendance (some not in attendance in September), the September minutes will be deferred until the November meeting. 24/182

 7. **To receive the clerk's report on matters arising**
The clerk's report was noted. 24/183

 8. **Consideration of planning applications**
None. 24/184
- b. To note any decisions or other consultations received.**

None. 24/185

9. Portfolio reports:

• Footpaths
No report. 24/186

• Localism / Parish Plan / Bude & Camelford CAP
No report. 24/187

• Parish Hall
Cllr Collins said people are walking out the back corner of the parish hall car park and out onto the footpath through a gap in the hedge. The footpath is not very well maintained, but is not blocked. 24/188

• Grants – None. 24/189

10. Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted: Community Area Partnership September draft notes and link to join the next meeting (December); Clean Cornwall newsletter; Cornwall Council Town and Parish Council newsletter; Framework for Leisure briefing slides. 24/190

11. Agenda items

1. Carnival
Cllr Martyn gave the clerk £197 to bank, the profit from the ball roll. 24/191

2. Defibrillator
This will be placed on the November agenda. 24/192

3. Stile
This will be placed on the November agenda. 24/193

4. War memorial fencing
This needs to be done before Remembrance weekend. Cllr Furse said he and Cllr Horn will have a look. 24/194

5. July minutes
The July minutes will also be placed on the November agenda for approval. 24/195

6. CiLCA training for the clerk
Councillors agreed support for the clerk to apply for the CiLCA training.
Proposed: N Furse Seconded: G Martyn Votes: Unanimous 24/196

12. Accounts

12a. Balances October 4, 2024

Current Account £31,553.14

Community Benefit

Reserve Account £57,368.19

CCLA Property Fund £45,000.00

12b. To approve accounts for payment

- Clerk – September wages inc HMRC As per contract
- Clerk – mileage and printing September £ 33.70
- Cornwall Pension Fund – September £ 51.67
- Suzanne Cochrane – Microsoft 365 subscription £59.99

12c. To note income

- Reserve account interest (September) £ 70.65
- Cornwall Council – second half of precept £2,600.00

Councillors approved the payments and accounts.

Proposed: N Furse Seconded: G Martyn Votes: Unanimous 24/197

13. Items for the next agenda – (November 14, 2024)

Budget; stile; defib, Whistler.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.