Monday 18th March 2024

The meeting of North Tamerton Parish Council was held on the above date at 7:30pm, in Victory Hall.

Councillors Present:

Chair Cllr Snowden, Vice-chair Cllr Gerry, Cllr Britton, Cllr Barriball, Cllr Harper.

Also in attendance: Clerk Julie Gray and Cllr N Chopak.

2 members of the public were present for the meeting.

Cllr Snowden opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Record and Approve Apologies.

3.24/277: Cllr Williams sent his apologies.

Confirm the Minutes of the previous Meeting.

3.24/278:

It was resolved to approve the minutes and ratify all decisions made at the meeting held on Monday 19th February 2023. 3 in favour. 2 abstained, due to not being present at the previous meeting. The Chair, Cllr Snowden, signed them as a correct record.

Declarations.

3.24/279:

(i) Cllr Harper and Cllr Britton declared an interest in Agenda Item 15 – Community Benefit Fund Application.

Dispensations.

3.24/280:

(i) There were no dispensation requests.

Matters Arising.

3.24/281:

(i) None.

Public Participation.

3.24/282:

A member of the public spoke in support of Agenda 15 – Community Benefit Fund application: The application is to the benefit of the community not for the benefit of the hall. The figures are estimated based upon past events that have been held. The Hall is not offering drinks for free. Any profit will go to the Parish Hall for expenditure not applied for, such as expenses for electricity, breakages, licence etc.

Report from Cornwall Councillor.

3.24/283:

Council Tax bills are starting to be delivered and there is an increase due to the Police and Crime Commission increase of 4.9% and Cornwall Council's rise of 4.9%. Empty properties will be subject to double Council Tax. Holiday cottages and B&B's will be charged for refuse pick up. There will be cuts to

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some services, such as school transport and reducing the number of times bins are emptied in the town centres.

Recycling bins are starting to be delivered but most people should receive theirs after the summer. Councillor L Taylor will be undertaking a tour of Cornwall again and the local one will be at the Parkhouse. The Community Area Partnership (CAP) was held last Monday at the Parkhouse and was based around health. There are some voluntary organisations around that people are unaware of. The Clerk shall upload those to the Parish Council website once the CAP minutes are received.

Correspondence.

3.24/284: – all correspondence circulated via email.

- (i) Electric Vehicle Chargers.
- (ii) The Clean Cornwall Newsletter.
- (iii) Call for Sites.
- (iv) The Rural Bulletin.
- (v) Chief Executive's Bulletin.
- (vi) Age UK Royal Cornwall Show.
- (vii) Keeping Cornwall Updated.
- (viii) Invitation to join Cornwall Planning Partnership.
- (ix) Agenda: CAP meeting.
- (x) Climate Commission: Call for Commissioners.
- (xi) CAP Meeting Agenda.
- (xii) Neighbourhood Planning Newsletter.

Planning.

3.24/285:

- a) Decision Notices/Updates:
 - (i) None

b) Planning Applications/Appeals:

Any late planning applications received will be discussed but not decided under this section.

(i) None.

To receive oral or written reports and authorise any action.

3.24/286:

a) Chairman / Councillor.

The Chairman had no report this month.

b) The Clerk.

- The government is offering a free portrait of His Majesty The King to all parish councils in the United Kingdom. The closing date for applications is 28 March 2024. Cllr Britton requested that one be ordered.
- The Clerk has added new information to the Parish Council website:

CIL funding is now open until 30/4;

Advice on blood pressure checks;

Norovirus information;

Information if anyone is struggling to pay Council Tax;

Time 2 Move Easter activities;

Eat well – spend less – cookery video series;

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Free climate change course; Voting staff needed for May; Climate Commissioner advert; Healthy Families Pilot Programme; A new job and careers website for Cornwall.

EVA Charging.

3.24/287:

There is a charging point at Well Farm, holiday cottages have not been asked for chargers for 12 months and there are fast charging units in Holsworthy.

The Councillors did not propose to accept the offer of a EVA charger for the car park.

Website.

3.24/288:

The news section has been updated. Policies have been added.

Emergency Plan.

3.24/289:

Cllr Gerry will circulate and bring to the next meeting for the Councillors to decide whether to adopt the amended document.

Grass cutting.

3.24/290:

The Clerk is awaiting a quote. If the amount is not covered by the offer it was decided unanimously that the Parish Council will refuse the contract.

Community Benefit Fund Application.

3.24/291:

An application was made to celebrate 100 years of the Parish Hall for the sum of £1,495. It was proposed that the Council support the event but pay a £1,000 deposit and the remainder upon receipt of invoices.

Proposed Cllr Snowden. Seconded Cllr Gerry. Unanimous.

Parish Matters.

3.24/292:

(i) Parish Shoot.

The event is booked for 5th October. Cllr Gerry will inform the Clerk of the Parishes to receive an invite.

(ii) Planters.

The Parish Council received £282 from the Community Chest. The Clerk will order the planters, soil and seeds to be delivered to Cllr Snowden's residence.

(iii) The Tamerton Times.

The editor is stepping down and the Parish Council thank him for his hard work for the past 16 years.

(iv) Defibrillator.

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There have been no problems with the defibrillator. Cllr Barriball receives emails to check that it is working and there have been 3 code requests but it has not been used.

Finance & Legislation.

3.24/293:

- a) Ratification of payments totalling £361.93 as per February-March schedule. It was resolved to ratify the payments.
 - Proposed Cllr Snowden. Seconded Cllr Barriball. Unanimous.
- b) To note Bank reconciliations at 1/3/24 of £4,121.43 and £21,909.67.
- c) To note Income & Bank Balances as per the schedule and reconciliations.

Urgent Matters raised with the Chairman since the Agenda was published. 3.24/294:

None.

Date of next meeting and note items from Councillors for the Agenda. 3.24/295: 22nd April 2024

Meeting closed at 8.49pm

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During the meeting it may arise that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential or special nature of the business to be transacted and the press and public will be instructed to withdraw. When this arises, the Chair will recommend to consider passing the following resolution: "to resolve that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business to be discussed, the public are excluded and instructed to withdraw."

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