

Germansweek Parish Council

Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 18th May

Minute No 217

Present: Councillors L Moyse (Chair), A Pullinger C Walker WDBC T Southcott

Clerk: R Ward

Members of the public: None

Open forum: None.

Open Forum

Lynne Moyse was elected temporary chair

1. Outgoing Chairman's Welcome: Cllr Moyse welcomed everyone to the meeting
2. Election of Chairperson: Cllr Pullinger was elected unopposed and has agreed to stand for one year,
3. Election of Vice-Chairperson: No vice chair was elected. This post will be filled as required.

Meeting closed at 19:07

Minutes of ordinary meeting 217 held on 18th May 2022

Present: A Pullinger, J Theobald, L Moyse, C Walker, S Watkinson, (WDBC) T Southcott and

Clerk R Ward

Public Open Session: (restricted to 15 mins)

Apologies:

1. Apologies: To receive and consider apologies - C Mott (WDBC)
2. Report from West Devon: (Councillors Mott/Southcott) issues with WDBC continuously posting on next door so that local posts get lost. Cllr Southcott will take this up with the communications dept.
3. Declaration of interests: None
4. Minutes: To agree and sign minutes 20th April 2022 (216) **Agreed**
5. Planning:
 - 5.1. 0972/22/FUL Proposal: To develop an environmentally friendly dwelling on land adjacent Site Address: Witherdon Lodge, Germansweek, EX21 5BR **Supported the**
PC liked the idea of an eco-build and freeing up property for more people to come and live in the parish was a good idea.
 - 5.2. Other planning issues - non decision making: None
6. Finance:
 - 6.1. Bank reconciliation, Budget monitoring (RFO Report):
 - 6.2. Audit: to note and approve this year's audit -
 - 6.2.1. Internal audit **Approved**
 - 6.2.2. Governance Statement **Approved**
 - 6.2.3. Accounting Statement **Approved**
 - 6.2.4. Exemption Certificate **Approved**
 - 6.3. Agree to renew payroll contract. (£150) **Approved**
 - 6.4. To note precept payment of £2363.50 **Noted**
 - 6.5. To approve the following payments:

CMH bookkeeping	£150.00
DALC	£57.14
Jamie Collins – Grass cutting	£10.00
Keith Greenaway - Internal Audit	£15.00
HMRC	£82.40

Clerk's Wages

£294.96

RFO's Wages

£35.40

Approved

7. Roads and Ditches: (Clerk Cllr Watkinson) Cllrs Theobald and Watkinson will identify pinch point due to verge growth and the clerk will try to arrange for them to be cut back. **Agreed**
8. Hi speed broadband: (Cllr Watkinson) we are still awaiting govt, approval for Openreach to use the vouchers, in the meantime Airband are offering a sooner install date. BUT customers would be stuck with Airband and will not be able to shop around for a provider. The PC is recommending people wait for the Openreach option which should become available next year. Cllr Watkinson will put a fact sheet round to all concerned parties. A copy will go on the website. Cllr Theobald suggested writing to out MP to try to hurry things up,
9. Footpaths P3: (Cllr Pullinger – update) the tree on the path has gone. The footpath past Moyse's Barn has had a digger destroy the bank –but this needs to be reported to highways and planning - Cllr Pullinger will do this.
10. Flag Pole: (Cllr Theobald) Ellie Collins has offered to store the flag pole Cllr Pullinger will try to sort out a better solution for raising it but will need help. Clerk to ask J Collins if he has time to help.
11. Phone box: repair/cleaning. This needs to be cleaned up and the base sealing so it can dry – do we know a handyman? Cllr Watkinson will take a look and report back in June.
12. Jubilee Wood: (Cllr Pullinger – update) the wood seems to be being used.
13. Website – (clerk's report). <https://germansweekpc.co.uk> Cllr Pullinger will take some pictures using the recommended dimensions. The Audit will go on soon.
14. Correspondence: None
15. Date of next meeting: 16th June 2022 at 7:30 in the Village Hall - Meeting closed at 9:05pm

Signed _____

Clerk _____

Date _____