

Germansweek Parish Council

Minutes of meeting 210 held on 15th June 2021

Present: Cllrs J Theobald, S Watkinson, C Walker, L Moyse, A Pullinger, WDCllr T Southcott,

Clerk: R Ward

4 Members of the public

Public Open Session: (restricted to 15 mins) 2 members of the public spoke about wanting to reinstall a PAC. They were asked to come back with a plan to gauge support and how this could be funded.

1. Apologies: To receive and consider apologies
2. Report from West Devon: (Councillors Mott/Southcott)
3. Declaration of interests: Councillors to advise of any interests in agenda item/s and to remind councillors to keep their register of interests up to date with WDBC and the Clerk.
4. Minutes: To agree and sign minutes 5th May 2021 (209)
5. Planning:
 - 5.1.1. 0840/21/VAR: Proposal: Application for variation of condition 4 of planning application 3137/20/FUL Site Address: Eworthy Methodist Church, Eworthy, Germansweek, EX21 5AH - Whilst the council appreciates that this is likely the only option for the applicant, we would like to draw attention to the damage to the road past Overlake, Eworthy, that this historical drainage system has caused. There is, in fact, no ditch along the road that one of the drains runs down to, only a gully that has been created by the runoff. This runoff has, over time, cause the road to subside and crumble, meaning that the runoff often floods the road completely. Highways do not seem to see this thoroughfare as a priority and the PC would like this issue noted
Supported
 - 5.1.2. 1656/21/FUL: Proposal: Application to erect covered slurry pit, Site Address: Land At Sx 440 962, Eworthy, Germansweek - The PC see this as an environmentally sound solution that will improve the area
Support
 - 5.2. Other planning issues - non decision making: None
6. Finance:
 - 6.1. Bank reconciliation, Budget monitoring (RFO Report): report emails but not available for signing **Approved**
 - 6.2. Renew insurance – gone down by £13.27 due to the removal of the defibrillator. **Agreed**
 - 6.3. Funding of Roundabout the Wolfe Valley Newsletter. It was agreed that if the newsletter covers Bratton Clovelly we should ask Bratton Clovelly PC for a donation towards printing costs for the time being. The aim would be for the newsletter to become self-funding over time. *Clerk to approach Bratton Clovelly.*
 - 6.4. To approve the following payments:

Community first	Insurance premium	£235.86	
Jamie Collins	Flag pole work and shrub pruning	£41.36	
Cllr Theobald	Flag and flagpole bits	£39.98	
K Greenaway	Internal Audit	£15.00	All approved
7. Audit: to note and approve this year's audit -
 - 7.1. Internal audit - **approved**
 - 7.2. Governance Statement - **approved**
 - 7.3. Accounting Statement - **approved**
 - 7.4. Exemption Certificate - **approved**
8. Roads and Ditches: Cllr Watkinson reported that he had reported Issues at Parsonage X to Boldventure X and the subsidence at Eworthy.
9. Flag protocol: (Cllr Theobald) The flag is held by Parishioners who have agreed to raise and lower it for us. It was decided that the PC would raise the flag for the following events: The Death of the Queen and HRH Charles Duke of Wales, The Queen's birthday and Trouping of the colour, Remembrance Day (11/11) to Remembrance Sunday, Jubilees. Coronations, and possibly St Germanus Day if requested.

10. Hi speed broadband: Cllr Watkinson explained that it is likely that the vouchers will cover the coat of installation if all three businesses in Eworthy are signed up. The PC will consider becoming the legal entity that BT have the contract with in the first instant. Cllr Watkinson was meeting with the rural engagement officer 18th June to find out more. It is possible that High Speed Broadband could be fitted within 12 months of ordering. Cllr Watkinson will contact every household in the scheme to try to get them on board. Cllr Theobald thanked Cllr Watkinson for all his hard work.
11. Footpaths P3: Cllr Pullinger will have re-walked all the footpaths by the next meeting
12. Phone box: repair/cleaning This has been put on hold pending the outcome of the Defibrillator meeting
13. Jubilee Wood: Bank Details for S&OCG have still not been sent –Cllr Pullinger to chase up. The woods are being used and Jamie will keep the paths free.
14. Queens Jubilee celebration 2022: the long Bank Holiday will be 8th to 10th of June 2022. Ideas to be brought to next meeting
15. End of lockdown recognition/party: Cllr Theobald suggested a fund raiser for a Shelter or homeless charity or a Teepee in Jubilee Woods with a Service of Celebration – other ideas welcome please.
16. Website – (clerk’s report). <https://germansweekpc.co.uk> The audit will be posted in the following week.
17. Correspondence: None
18. Date of next meeting: 21st July 2021 at 7:30 in the Village Hall
Meeting ended at 9:18 pm

Approved by

Chairman _____ Clerk _____ Date _____