

Germansweek Parish Council

Minutes of meeting 214 held on 17 November 2021

Present: J Theobald, L Moyses, A Pullinger, (WDBC) T Southcott and C Mott, Clerk R Ward

Public Open Session: (restricted to 15 mins) None.

1. Apologies: Carlie Walker - Approved
2. Report from West Devon: The report was emailed round.
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.
Cllr Moyses has access rights for the lane in planning application 3877/21/CLE and therefore will not vote on item 5.2
4. Minutes: To agree and sign the minutes from 20th Oct (213) **Agreed**
5. Planning:
 - 5.1 None
 - 5.2 3877/21/CLE Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness for existing operational development of a lake, single storey building ('The Summer House') and residential building ('The Tree House') Site Address: Meadowside, Eworthy, Germansweek, EX21 5AH
General discussion about facts and the wording of **objection**; to include: length of time the tree house has been in use, health and safety issues around it's use, queries about disposal of grey and foul water waste, impact on flood plain and change of use of area. A draft will be circulated to councillors before issuing. It was also **agreed** that the Clerk would draft a complaint about the way this application has been handled from the start and send to WDBC Planning department.
 - 5.3 Memorandum of understanding. **Approved**; Clerk to find out what to do to sign up.
6. Finance:
 - 6.1 Bank reconciliation, Budget monitoring (RFO Report): **approved**
 - 6.2 To note receipt of Precept - £2108.50 and VAT claim - £34.90 **Noted**
 - 6.3 To note donation of £42.00 to Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal **Noted**
 - 6.4 To approve and make the following payments:

Clerk – new toner cartridge shared cost with BCPC	£6.61
RFO wages	£34.08
Clerk wages	£288.88
HMRC tax on wages	£80.60 All Approved
 - 6.5 Precept consideration (Clerk and Cllrs) final discussion and proposed figure. Final figure of £4727 proposed for approval next month.
7. Roads and Ditches: Cllr Watkinson will replace salt bags this week. Steve Brockman has said Richard and Glynn should be about in the next few weeks- Clerk and Cllr Watkinson to liaise.

8. Broadband: (Cllr Watkinson update) everything has been done so far from our end. We are still waiting for a survey and contract. Unfortunately, there is a long wait list of 8-10 weeks.
9. Footpaths: No update.
10. Roundabout: ad for Christmas tree event to be included
11. Defibrillator: remove from agenda
12. Jubilee Woods: looking very nice.
13. Remembrance Sunday: Soldier and poppies look lovely. Cllr Pullinger helped a parishioner put up the flag.
14. Queens's jubilee celebration 2022: possible picnic
15. Christmas: lights on at 18:30 Mulled cider supplied by Nat Buckley from Devon Hampers – Thank you card to be sent by Clerk. R Ward to help Ms Buckley on the night. Signs and mystery celebrity guest organised.
16. Website: (Clerks report). <https://germansweekpc.co.uk>
17. Correspondence: None
18. Date of next meeting: 15th December at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Approved by

Chairman _____ Clerk _____ Date _____