

Minutes of a meeting of the Calstock Parish Council, AMENITIES COMMITTEE held on Wednesday 05 April 2017,

in the Tamar Valley Centre commencing at 1800

Those present were; -

COUNCILLORS Cllr Latham (Chair), Cllr Alford, Cllr Beech, Cllr Hoile, Cllr Moore, Cllr Rooker, Cllr Wakem

Miss Sue Lemon (Clerk),

Miss Clare Bullimore (Deputy Clerk – minutes).

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Kirk, Cllr Roberts, Cllr Woolford, Cllr Yates.

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS IN AGENDA ITEMS

None

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

4. APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 22-02-17

Proposal: the minutes be approved

Proposed: Cllr Hoile, **Seconded:** Cllr Rooker, **Resolution:** the minutes were approved

5. REVIEW/MONITORING OF TOILETS/LITTER BINS/TELEPHONE BOXES/MOORINGS AND QUAY/BUS SHELTERS/CAR PARKS

Toilets

Once incident has taken place since the toilets have reopened for 24 hours a day: this included excrement on the floor and a whole toilet roll being placed down the toilet. **Proposal/Resolution:** the toilets close again on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights IF another incident occurs (proposed: Cllr Latham, seconded: Cllr Wakem).

Litter Bins

Contracts have been signed for emptying the bins which works out as 97p per bin per empty.

Telephone Boxes

A working party has been formed by the Chilsworthy community to redecorate/re-glaze and maintain the telephone box. The Parish Council will review the progress in July 2017. The box at St Ann's Chapel is also due to be refurbished and maintained by local community members.

Moorings and Quay

Cllrs Latham and Hoile met the new owners of Calstock Boatyard to discuss an alternative to the pontoon which has cost the Parish Council thousands of pounds over the years and is likely to do so (money is put aside each year to go towards the anticipated cost following the next inspection).



The Boatyard has agreed with the Environment Agency a 5-year lease for a new type of mooring. The Councillors talked to the owner about leasing 5 of these for use by visiting public. The boatyard was supportive of this arrangement and would be willing to police the use of this. It is anticipated that there will be a one-off fee of £2000 for 4 moorings and an annual cost of approximately £140 per mooring (figures to be confirmed) plus annual inspections and administration fees. The owner of the boatyard will come to the Council meeting in May and explain to the full council their plans.

Proposal/Resolution: a recommendation is made to the Council meeting in May to rent 4 moorings from the Boatyard for members of the public to use, to try to increase tourists and visitors to the area (proposed: Cllr Hoile, seconded: Cllr Rooker, unanimous support). The Clerk is still trying to find a Marine Engineer to assess the Quay at a reasonable cost; Cornwall Council have been contacted to see if they have an appropriate person.

Bus Shelters

The bus shelter on Callington Road is looking good and school children have been seen using it. The Clerk had applied for a grant from Cornwall Council for £3000 for a bus shelter and has heard that this application was successful. Once the money has come through the next shelter will be purchased (for opposite the train station). The Clerk was thanked by the Committee for putting this application in.

Other potential sites that were discussed included Honicombe Park and All Saints Park. Cllr Wakem advised waiting for the new bus service to be published in April in case any cuts are being made to the routes.

Car Parks

Cornwall Council have employed a firm of solicitors to check business rates and are doing this on a no win, no fee service. The Parish Council are waiting to hear confirmation of the rates. The car park machine is due to be changed shortly to take new pound coins. There was discussion that cars are still parked on the roads: enforcement of the streets is not part of the Parish Council's Parking Order – the Clerk was asked to find out how much it would cost for additional enforcement.

6. DATE FOR NEXT WATERFRONT WORKING PARTY MEETING

To be arranged after the Council meeting in May 2017.

7. PROPOSAL RE DOG BIN

Proposal: no more dog bins are purchased. This proposal was discussed but it was felt that as the Parish Council has an eligibility criteria for bins this should continue to be used when individuals request a bin. The proposal was not progressed.

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The meeting closed at 1845.		
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