



Minutes of a meeting of the **Calstock Parish Council, AMENITIES COMMITTEE**
held on **Tuesday 05 April 2022, in the Tamar Valley Centre at 1900.**

Those present were; -

COUNCILLORS: Cllr Alford, Cllr Beech, Cllr Boreham, Cllr Kirk, Cllr Ledger, Cllr Letchford, Cllr Polglase, Cllr Wakem, Cllr Warwick
Miss Sue Lemon (Clerk) Clare Bullimore (Deputy Clerk - *minutes*).

In attendance to give information: Dan Cooke (AONB), Daniel Gay (Environment Agency), Andy Rogers (Environment Agency), Jane Kiely (Tamar Community Trust).

It was agreed that Cllr Wakem chair the meeting in Cllr Greenwood's absence

1. Apologies

Cllr Wells, Cllr Tinto, Cllr Greenwood, Cllr Wilkes

2. Declarations and Dispensations in Members' Interests In Agenda Items

None

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Pete Thompson, Gill White

4. Approve Minutes of Last Meeting – 15-03-2022

Proposal/Resolution: the minutes be approved. Proposed: Cllr Letchford, seconded: Cllr Beech – approved by all those present at the last meeting.

5. Presentation about the Flood Defence Scheme, River Path and Bridge (AONB/ EA/TCT)

Dan Cooke gave a presentation outlining the background of the walkway and the flood defence scheme, the proposed ownership of it and ongoing maintenance and responsibility for the walkway and the Town Farm Field.

A discussion was held following the presentation. It was generally felt that with Tamar Community Trust's ongoing commitment to inspecting and maintaining the bridge; the fact that the bridge is built to a high specification and that the EA will extend their period of monitoring the scouring the project should move forward and for the parish council not to support it now would be a waste of money and a loss of a great amenity. There was reassurance that if at any time the bridge is deemed not fit for purpose a partnership will be reconvened and support offered to find funding or a decision taken to close it – hopefully this will not be for many years' time. Cllr Warwick felt that the situation should be accepted and the Council can budget to put reserves aside if need be



as they do with other amenities that would cost a lot to replace. The Clerk has found suitable insurance for less than £1000 and the council were reminded that in 2017 they had resolved to taken ownership of the path and breach – which at that point was going to be a boardwalk which would have been much less robust.

All parties were thanked by Cllr Wakem for their efforts and hard work on this.

6. Bench Requests

A request had been received by Jane Weatherby on behalf of the Parish Church Council to place two benches in Calstock Churchyard near Rev Rummings memorial tree. The Deputy Clerk and one of the workmen had visited the proposed site and completed a checklist on the application form and could see no problems. Proposal/resolution: to approve the siting of two benches in Calstock Churchyard. Proposed: Cllr Letchford, seconded: Cllr Kirk – unanimous.

The meeting closed at 2005

Signed..... Date.....