



Minutes of a meeting of the **Calstock Parish Council, AMENITIES COMMITTEE**
held on **Tuesday 03 October 2023, in the Tamar Valley Centre at 1900**

Those present were: -

COUNCILLORS: Cllr Beech, Cllr Kirk, Cllr Polglase, Cllr Spurr, Cllr Tinto, Cllr Wakem, Cllr Warwick,
Cllr Wells (Chair)
Clare Bullimore (Acting Clerk – minutes)

1. Apologies

Cllr Letchford

2. Declarations & Dispensations of members' interests in agenda items (any dispensations must be sent to the clerk prior to the meeting)

None

3. Public Participation

None.

4. Approve Minutes of the last meeting: 06-06-2023

Proposal/resolution: the minutes of the last meeting be approved. Proposed: Cllr Tinto, seconded: Cllr Polglase – unanimous.

5. Toilets including water leak at Calstock and PHS contract

The Acting Clerk explained that the water bills for Calstock Toilets have been increasing significantly since February. A water leak was discovered and an approved South West Water Contractor called in to deal with the situation as a matter of urgency. Authorisation was sought from the Chair of the Council and Amenities Committee beforehand and it was agreed that the issue needed to be dealt with promptly. The daily charge for the contractors was £750 and total cost £2250. This was noted by the Committee. Further work is recommended by the contractors to replace an existing pipe which will undoubtedly fail at some point. Clare will complete a leak allowance form to try and claim some, if not all, the costs back.

Proposal/resolution: to approve retrospectively the initial cost to repair the leak and to recommend the follow on work at £1875.

Cllr Kirk wished it noted that Gunnislake toilets are regularly closed when they cost the Parish Council money but Calstock's remain open.

Clare asked for confirmation that the Committee wish to cease the PHS Contract with the penalty fee, as agreed at the previous meeting that she did not attend. This was confirmed.

6. Devolved and private land cleansing services notification from Cornwall Council, charges of £7506.49 from April 2024

The Acting Clerk explained that since the car parks were devolved to the Parish Council Cornwall Council have been paying for the waste removal and cleanliness of the 4 sites but this was only a temporary arrangement. Clare had contacted some private contractors but did not feel they would



offer the full service or be able to maintain the DEFRA national standards of cleanliness. It was also felt that this could not, viably, be offered in-house.

Proposal/resolution: to recommend to Full Council that Cornwall Council's cleansing services be commissioned at £7506. Proposed: Cllr Warwick, seconded: Cllr Polglase – unanimous.

7. Calstock Car Park and Parking

Disabled bays and yellow hatchings by the bus shelter/moorings- following consultation it was recommended by Calstock Ward members that the disabled bays are moved and a quote for relining the area be accepted which also includes the re-painting of the yellow hatched lines by the bus shelter and moorings.

Proposal/resolution: to move the disabled bays in Calstock Car Park and to contract the marking of the bays and repaint the yellow hatched lines by the bus shelter. Proposed: Cllr Tinto, seconded: Cllr Spurr – unanimous.

Calstock Station Car Park – Calstock in Bloom Plans – the plans to create 13 more spaces in Calstock Station Car Park rely on removal of shrubbery and resurfacing of the area underneath. The quote supplied for this is over £10,000. It is still hoped that Network Rail may fund, or part fund, some of the work that is required.

Proposal/resolution: to recommend to F&GP that £5000 be set aside in next year's budget for improvements, should the funding not be forthcoming from Network Rail.

Use of Parish Quay for permit holders – A member of the public was expected but did not attend. There was discussion about parking generally in Calstock but it was felt to be a separate discussion point for another meeting.

Additional bollards opposite disabled spaces, Calstock Social Club – the bollards that were installed by Calstock Social Club have been a great improvement, however a further three are required to stop cars parking opposite disabled bays which mean the cars cannot use the spaces easily. The cost of installing these would be £1500.

Proposal/resolution: to approve a further three bollards be installed to allow access to the disabled bays, at a cost of £1500. Proposed: Cllr Wakem, seconded: Cllr Polglase – unanimous.

8. Gunnislake Car Park

It was noted that Cormac have required use of the side area of Gunnislake car park to finish work on Mudgets Terrace. A fee was agreed.

9. Salt Bin request: Stoney Lane, Gunnislake

Proposal/resolution: having carried out an eligibility assessment it was approved to install a salt bin on Stoney Lane. Proposed: Cllr Wells, seconded: Cllr Wakem – unanimous.

10. Budgetary review and requirements including CIL monies

Proposal/resolution: to recommend to F&GP that £55,000 is required in the Amenities Committee, to include the £5000 for Calstock Car Park improvements.

The Acting Clerk confirmed that there is approximately £1700 in CIL money for all committees to consider.



The meeting closed at 1952.

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

Actions

Clare to complete the South West Water Leak Allowance Form

Clare to contact PHS and cease the contract for hand sanitiser