

Egloskerry Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 13 July 2017
in Egloskerry Village Hall at 19.30 hours.

Present at Meeting:

Chairman A Uren, Vice Chairman S Paul, Councillors M Francis, D Emmett, F Colville,
S Sillifant & P Burden. D Wilton – Clerk.

Members of the public – None

Apologies received from: N/A

Declarations of Interest: None

Public participation: None

The Minutes of the Meetings held on 11 May 2017 were duly approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Matters Arising from the Minutes:

(1) Churchyard fund –

- It was agreed that £100 be donated, to be reviewed annually on receipt of a copy of the Church's annual accounts. Cheque raised.

(2) Play Area –

- Grant funding – Tesco Bags of Help Scheme – application successful. Voting by tokens taking place from 1st July to 11th August 2017. Parish Council to be notified by the end of September 2017 confirming the amount of funding to be received.
- Grant applications to be taken on by Councillor Sillifant – proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Councillor Burden.
- Possibility of play equipment from Egloskerry School (boat and tower) to be available.
- Councillor Sillifant suggested holding a Fête as a means of raising funds to be held during the summer of 2018. Discussion to take place during the January 2018 meeting.
- Gap either side of pedestrian gate allowing free access to children and dogs, which is mentioned in the RoSPA report as a concern over entrapment, to be filled in.
- Chairman had been made aware of nails protruding from the pavilion which he had cut off. Also roof felt needs replacing. Clerk to ask son to quote and do repairs.
- Councillor Sillifant to look into new signage following concerns from Parishioners over recent increase in dog fouling. In the meantime, Clerk to do flyer for dog owners stating that to enable the Play Area to be enjoyed safely by children -
 - it is not to be used as a dog exercise area;
 - access with dogs is only for the purpose of using the public footpath;
 - dogs on leads at all times, and fouling to be cleaned up and put into bin provided.

(3) Railway bridge -

- Growing concern over disrepair of railway bridge forming part of public footpath. Clerk to email Councillor Paynter as information seems to indicate that this is a Cornwall Council matter.

(4) Planning -

- Training session – attended by the Chairman and Councillors Emmett and Sillifant. Presentation notes to follow. In summary priority to be given to Neighbourhood plans; also consideration of the use of Planning conditions, which enable development proposals to proceed where it would otherwise have been necessary to refuse planning permission, by mitigating the adverse effects of the development.
- Overview of the way the Parish Council deals with Planning applications as our current system is not working effectively. Clerk to email planning applications as before and each Parish Councillor to make Clerk aware of their support or objection by the due date. Consideration of holding a planning meeting for significant Planning Applications suggested by Councillor Paul and agreed upon.

(5) Public participation -

- Printed extract from NALC Good Councillors Guide circulated to each Councillor with particular reference to public participation at Parish Council meetings.

Finance:

(1) New signatory –

- forms received from HSBC for completion regarding Councillor Emmett becoming the third signatory on the bank accounts in place of Councillor Ryall. Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by the Vice Chairman.

(2) Lloyds Bank Account -

- Clerk to compose a letter for the Chairman and Vice Chairman to sign in order to close this account, which is no longer required.

(3) Bank balances -

- Lloyds Bank - as of 7th November 2016 (Parish Council Funds) £0.00
- HSBC No. 1 A/c – as of 7th July 2017 (Parish Council Funds) £4509.45
- HSBS No. 2 A/c – as of 7th March 2017 (Turbery Funds) £3205.87

(4) Cheques to be signed -

- Egloskerry Parochial Church Council – Churchyard donation (chq. 10001) £100.00
- Clerk's wages – Apr 2017 – Jun 2017 (chq. 10001) £125.00
- CALC annual membership subscription 2017-18 (chq. 10001) £174.26

Correspondence:

- Manager of Egloskerry Nursery ref increase of dog fouling in Play Area – noted & replied.
- CC – Planning Newsletter July 2017 – circulated; Chairman & Councillor Sillifant to receive.
- Women's Rape & Sexual Abuse Centre (Cornwall) ref financial support – as per below.
- Clerks & Councils Direct – circulated.
- AON – Certificate of Employers Liability Insurance renewal from 01 June 2017 – noted.

Any Other Business:

(1) Next meeting -

- September meeting to be re-scheduled from the 14th to the 28th, if possible.

(2) Transparency Code/Fund –

- All Parish Councils with a turnover of less than £25,000 a year must comply by Spring 2018. Requirements are a website and in order to comply the Transparency Fund was established to cover the set-up costs. Clerk to action.

(3) Defibrillator -

- Councillor Burden suggested the possibility of sourcing a defibrillator for the village. Clerk circulated information from the British Heart Foundation who offer a grant with applicants contributing a minimum of £400 towards the cost (basic model £800 to £1200). Clerk to write to the Parochial Church Council and Village Hall Committee asking for their financial support. With agreement, it is proposed to site the defibrillator on the wall of the Village Hall.

(4) Congestion in Village -

- Councillor Francis reported that a lorry delivering to their farm was unable to drive through the Village due to congestion caused by inconsiderate parking of those attending the School sports day on 12th July 2017. This raises the question whether emergency services would have been able to get through. Councillors suggested that a responsible person be put in charge of supervising car parking at School events. Councillor Sillifant mentioned that on a daily basis those taking and collecting their children from school often park on the pavement which inevitably forces pedestrians to walk out in the road. Clerk to write to the Head Teacher with the Parish Councillors' concerns over this potentially dangerous and undesirable situation.

(5) Other -

- Overgrown hedges over pavements leading towards the School. Clerk to write to owners.
- Letter from the Women's Rape & Sexual Abuse Centre (Cornwall) asking for financial support towards having to move to new premises in Bodmin. Although a worthy cause, the Councillors decided that the Parish Council, which runs on limited public funds, is unable to make a donation at this time. Clerk to respond accordingly.

Meeting closed at 21.40 hours.