

ST ERTH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION



MINUTES OF Committee Meeting Held at the Chair's House on Wednesday 15 April 2015

Present:

Derek Tilby (Chair), Graham Turner (Vice Chair), Paul Hawkins, Claire Casey (Membership Secretary), Gillian Potkins (Minutes Secretary), Sonia Lang (Treasurer)

Apologies for absence:

Janet Kersey

1. Minutes of Last Meeting

Agreed.

2. Matters Arising from Minutes

Family Activity Trail Leaflets

It has been 12 months since the Membership Secretary was approached by the Chairman of the Parish Council regarding the possibility of a map for a Parish notice board and a reprint of the St Erth Family Activity Trail leaflet. No decision has been reached by the PC. There are no further copies of the leaflet and the Post Office has made several requests for them. It was agreed that the Membership Secretary will approach Graham Rust for an updated cost on printing a further 1,500 copies. The Chair will raise the matter at the next PC meeting. Re-printed leaflets will be distributed through the Post Office, Pub, School, Station Café, St Erth Services, Hayle Town Council, Hayle Library, St Erth Pitch & Putt, BK Fisheries and local holiday parks.

Plaques on Benches

The Chair has received a quote and will commission the brass plaques.

Bench on Northern Riverbank

This is ongoing, the Vice Chair has offered to donate a plank for the bench.

Methodist Higher Vestry

The Cornwall Community Cashback application was not successful. The Chair will suggest further funding possibilities to the Vice Chair.

Parish Council Trees

Work arising from the Tree Inspection Report on the churchyard and two cemeteries has begun.

Online Reporting to Cornwall Council

The Vice Chair has reported several issues online, and declares that it is a successful means of communication. A flyer should be produced to publicise this new online reporting.

St Erth Neighbourhood Plan

Community engagement meetings took place and the Steering Group will be set up shortly.

MUGA

The Membership Secretary will try to ascertain whether the MUGA will be included in Objective 3 of the Neighbourhood Plan. This would gather further evidence (in addition to that already gathered) of the local desire for such a facility.

Skateboarding Nuisance

PCSO Fiona Gamble has been notified about the damage and nuisance caused by skateboarders outside the Post Office. The problem appears to have moved elsewhere in the village. A discussion took place on issues of nuisance around the village.

3. Planning Matters

a) Land at station

The Chair emailed Councillor John Pollard to stress the case for Cornwall Council to acquire the land for sale on the north side of St Erth station to extend the northern car park. This additional land along with the retention of the St Ives Park & Ride at Lelant would negate the need for the two southern car parks. A response was received from him saying that SERA's proposal was under consideration and that SERA would be invited to a meeting when the Councils' preferred option and the way forward would be explained.

b) Church Street

The siting and appearance of the pumping station and other issues, such as work which has been carried out on the land, have been opposed by the Parish Council. The Membership Secretary emailed SERA committee members at the beginning of March requesting comments on the proposals but didn't receive any. The Chair will meet with the Membership Secretary to look at the scheme and discuss objections to submit to the Planning portal. Concern was again expressed about the disturbance of the contaminated land.

c) Chenhalls Road

The appeal on Chenhalls Road has been granted. Access implications on traffic and pedestrians through the village by this and the Church Street development were discussed. It was suggested that the proposed pedestrian exit onto School Lane be put forward to be for dual use (pedestrian/vehicular) similar to the proposed access onto Church Street.

4. Treasurer's Report

The balance is £699.87 with £75 petty cash. SHREC has still not transferred their remaining funds to SERA despite the Treasurer's attempts to contact those involved. The Chair will write a further letter requesting the balance transfer and the Membership Secretary will attempt to get the contact details of other former members of SHREC.

5. Any other business

The Vice Chair reported that the Parish Council had discussed the appointment of a Civic Enforcement Officer with the power to issue immediate fines. He also reported back that although poles were in place for additional dog bins none were available at the present time.

There was a general discussion about traffic at the junction of Chenhalls Road and the bridge. A dot roundabout was suggested to improve safety. The possibility of restricting the use of HGV, a designated low emissions area, width restriction notices and a speed limit were discussed. A letter will be composed to be sent to the Parish Council and the Highways Agency to request consideration of these suggestions and, dependent upon the width available for proposed pedestrian exit onto School Lane, the suggestion of the dual access referred to in item 3 above.

6. Date of next meeting

The next meeting with the newly elected Committee will follow the AGM which will take place in the church on 20 May 2015, wine and nibbles will be available.