

## **Minute Highlights of the Altarnun Parish Council Meeting**

### **7.00pm, Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July in Altarnun Village Hall**

**Attendance:** Councillors C Bloomfield, D Branch, C Dowler, T Hoskins, J Kendall, M McCallum, L Baker-Pannell, C Richards, W Smith; Cornwall Cllr A Parsons, Parish Maintenance P Smart, C Hinton & Two Residents. **Apologies:** P Smith. **Public Representations:** Two.

The meeting started with homemade cakes & bubbly, to toast and give the Parish Councils heartfelt thanks to Margaret Savage. Mrs Savage is retiring after 10 years service from her post as Altarnun Parish Clerk. A beautiful bouquet of flowers, a gift & card were presented.

Cllr A. Parsons reprised Highlights from previous meeting. Concerns over the empty properties in the village were being investigated by Cornwall Council. Cllr Parsons had received complaints from residents about the ivy & birds in the bus stop at Five Lanes and the condition of a bench on Rose Hill. APC will address these issues. A resident from Treen had contacted Cllr Parsons regarding ongoing concerns over the speed & volume of HGV traffic through the village. Reply waited from local MP on Plusha safety issues. Cllr Parsons thanked the Clerk & wished her well in her second retirement.

A resident raised issues concerning State of Methodist Chapel Graveyard, parking damage on the village green and the status of the roundabout improvement project. APC are concerned by the overgrown Chapel Yard. The Parish Council were already looking at possible solutions to minimise damage to the green. Clerk confirmed that the project was still on file. A resident also raised concerns from the PCC regarding the Hemlock in the river and its effect on their annual duck race. The APC assured them that every effort is being made to secure the safe removal & correct disposal of the Hemlock. Minutes from 5<sup>th</sup> June meeting approved by all & signed by the Chair.

**Planning: PA19/04512 :** change of use from farm managers dwelling to unrestricted dwelling- Laskey's Farm House Trewint, Altarnun, Launceston PL15 7TG. Objection was raised on the grounds of the relatively short timescale involved in the marketing of the property.

The APC have a project to improve Mill Green. A new litter bin & bench will be installed. The WI will be contacted regarding the plaque on the old bench. The WC block is nearing completion a little behind schedule but hopefully it will be open by the Fun Week in August. A dedication plaque is to be ordered. APC are considering options on the removal of the hemlock in Penpont water. Volunteers are needed for training & membership of the Defibrillator Team. Contact the Clerk or see form in Village Shop, local pub & notice boards. Altarnun Parish Council is waiting for a reply on request for safety barriers on the bend at Bolventor. APC are to be notified on dates when top dressing of the road through Altarnun will take place, hopefully disruption will be kept to a minimum. After a recruitment process Clare Hinton has been appointed as the new Parish Clerk. Thanks were given to Cllrs Baker-Pannell & Richards for providing cakes & fizz. Thanks again given to Mrs Savage, who was heard to comment that, she may have reconsidered her retirement if such refreshments were on offer at every APC meeting!

The APC reviewed its current account balance and then approved payment to Smart Bros and AVV Services for grass cutting and general maintenance in June; Smart Bros for the Mill Green Project; Clerk for office expenses; Internal Audit and Office equipment for new Clerk.

**AOB:** Included horrific reports of many sheep killings on East Moor Common. This is a very serious and distressing issue, which is avoidable. Dog walkers are required by law keep their dogs under proper control at all times in areas with livestock. APC have been informed that the school are seeking a Community Governor. Please contact the school if you are interested.

No APC meeting in August. Next meeting will be Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 7.30pm in Altarnun Village Hall. As always residents are welcome to attend.

The meeting finished at 9.00pm.

Clare Hinton -Clerk to Altarnun Parish Council July 2019

**Please note:- The Parish council does not meet in August**