MENHENIOT PARISH COUNCIL

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At a Meeting of the Menheniot Parish Council held in Menheniot Old School on Thursday 18 January 2018 at 7.30pm there were present: Mr Jeremy Tucker (Chair); Mrs Eve Easterbrook (Vice Chair); Mrs Lilian Hooper; Mrs Pat Cade; Mrs Demelza Medlen; Mr Tony Ball; Mr Tony Clarke.

Clerk to the Council: John Hesketh

There were 4 members of the public in attendance.

Minute	Agenda Items				
1/2018	Chairman's Welcome Chair welcomed councillors and residents and explained how they may take part in the meeting.				
2/2018	Apologies for Absence Apologies received from Cllr Sally Kendall. None received from Cllrs Turner or Sobey.				
3/2018	Members' Declarations				
	A. Pecuniary/Registerable Declarations of Interests – Members must declare an interest, which has been declared on their Register of Financial Interests Form, relevant to the agenda. None declared.				
	B. Non-registerable Interests – Members must declare non-pecuniary interests at the start of the meeting or whenever the interests become apparent. Cllr Tucker declared that he has occasional use of a field adjacent to the site of a proposed planning application at Lower Clicker Road (PA17/03457), but has no connection to the applicant. Cllr Hooper is the former teacher of Mrs Hudson (planning application PA18/00163) but no other connection to the applicant.				
	C. Declaration of Gifts – Members are reminded they must declare any gift or hospitality with a value in excess of fifty pounds. None declared.				
	D. Dispensations – Members to consider any written requests for dispensations. None requested.				
	Cllr Hooper entered the meeting at 19.40				
4/2018	Public Participation Members of the public are invited to address the Council. (15 minutes) Mrs Hudson attended in support of her planning application (PA18/00163) and explained that the front of the garage entrance would be moved forward approximately 2-3ft so as to be in line with the front edge of the main house.				
	Cornwall Councillor Phil Seeva presented his report: The last full council meeting in November when a decision was taken to set up a £70m investment fund that would be used to purchase land for housing and other development. Cllr Seeva supports the principle of the fund, but disagreed with the majority view that sufficient advance information was not given to members that would have enabled them to make an informed decision. There would be an extraordinary meeting of full council on 13 February to discuss proposals for boundary changes that were currently out for consultation.				

A reminder that Cllr Seeva has a discretionary fund (Community Chest) that can be used to support local initiatives. Details were available from the Cornwall Council website (search online for Community Grant).

A decision on the final location for a UK Spaceport would be made soon, the final choice being either in Scotland or Cornwall.

He has spoken with resident Mr Simon Fitton and planning officer Mark Wigley who are in discussions about a way forward in his planning application.

The traveller site at Horningtops is complete and ready for occupation. Councillors are still concerned about supervision of and access to the site. Cllr Seeva will feedback their concerns.

Cllr Medlen asked that repairs to the wall at Fourgates be progressed.

5/2018 Minutes of Meeting

Councillors RESOLVED to accept the following minutes as a true and accurate record with a typing error on item 139/2017 Mrs Margaret Juckett corrected to read 'road leading to the tennis club can go ahead'.16 November 2017. Proposed Cllr Medlen. Seconded Cllr Easterbrook.

14 December 2017. Proposed Cllr Sneyd. Seconded Cllr Clarke. All agreed.

6/2018 Matters Arising from the Minutes

A Update on progress Old Chapel

Cllr Easterbrook explained that the council had been in touch with Cornwall Council's Building Control team about the continuing dangerous state of the Old Chapel on East Road. Because Council officers are unable to reach the current owner, they are now taking legal action to make necessary repairs to the property, and will recover these costs at a later date from the owner. Residents are asked to report any further concerns to the Clerk who will forward them to Cornwall Council.

- B Clerk reported back that the £20 donation to Menheniot Scout Group that the parish council had granted to fund Old School hire for Christmas Carol Service was not needed because the Old School Trust had already agreed to waive the fee.
- C Menheniot Playgroup Garden

Cllr Easterbrook explained that the playgroup wished to make extra use of the playing field on East Road, and asked that they be allowed to erect a small storage shed for equipment. Councillors were concerned about the security of the proposal, and did not agree to the suggestion, but welcomed the offer from the Menheniot Old School to allow additional storage space on their premises. Councillors were also in agreement that the school could continue to use the parking area outside the Old School. There was a discussion on the continued problem of surface water flooding over the parking area that impacted on residents in the cottages. It was RESOLVED to enquire about remedial work and its possible cost as a matter of urgency. Proposed Cllr Clarke. Seconded Cllr Hooper. All agreed.

7/2018 Correspondence

- A Email from Cornwall Council Financial Planning group about future precept increases. Clerk explained that by 2021, central government may impose a cap on the percentage increase in annual precept that parish councils can levy. This was unlikely to be an issue in the short to medium term for this council.
- B Clerk had received a proposal from Clare Read of the Scout Group offering to refund the £100 grant that the council had awarded them in November 2017. The group had raised more than the value of the grant and had written to return the money. It was RESOLVED to thank the scout group for their kind offer, not to accept the refund, but request that the group use the funds in a way that would benefit their troop. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Clarke. All agreed.
- C Clerk had received an email from Mrs Jennie Harrison concerning the final conclusion of the allotment survey (see Item 11B below). She disagreed with the majority view of plot

holders that the council should facilitate the purchase and installation of a 60 gallon water trough.

8/2018 Planning Matters

A To agree the parish council's response to Cornwall Council consultations on new planning applications received before the agenda was finalised:

05.01.18 PA17/03457 PRE APP

Applicant: Mr P Hore

Location: Land South East Of Lower Clicker Close Lower Clicker Close Liskeard Cornwall

PL14 3UF

Proposal: Pre application advice for affordable housing led residential development

comprising 20 dwellings.

Mr Whitehead and Mr Hore attended to explain the background to this preapplication, that it was an affordable-led housing development, intended to meet a local need. Councillors discussed the draft application, and RESOLVED to support it in principle, as presented to them. Proposed Cllr Clarke. Seconded Cllr Easterbrook. All agreed. Specifically, councillors asked the applicant to consider: increasing the proportion of affordable housing to greater than 50% when negotiating with Cornwall Council, and that custom-build and self-build should be part of the offer; provision of a play area; sufficient off-road parking; that existing residents should be consulted with as part of the final planning application. Prior to their discussion, the Chair explained that the council's opinion on the proposal would not predetermine any final decision and that they would only come to a conclusion about the scheme after they had listened to a full debate which would take place when the full application had been received.

08.01.18 pa18/00163

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Hudson

Location: Menheniot

Proposal: Alteration & Extension

Councillors discussed the application and noted that because of the location of the property and the siting of the extension, there would be no impact on the residential amenity. Supporting the application complies with Policy 21, sC of the Cornwall Local Plan, by increasing building density and taking into account the character of the surrounding area. It was RESOLVED to support the application. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Medlen. All agreed.

09.01.18 PA17/11960 Applicant: Mr & Mrs Gerry Location: Merrymeet

Proposal: Proposed rear extension to existing holiday unit.

Cllr Easterbrook presented this planning application. It was RESOLVED to support the application. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Ball. All agreed. In making their decision, councillors noted that because of the location of the property, the siting of the extension and the materials used, there would be no impact on the residential amenity. Supporting the application complies with Policy 21, sC of the Cornwall Local Plan, by increasing building density and taking into account the character of the surrounding area.

- B Any applications received by Cornwall Council by the time of the meeting. Information only. None received.
- C Planning applications approved by Cornwall Council Information only. 14.12.2017 PA17/08557 APPROVED

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Applicant: Mr Ashley Rowe

Location: Trewint Farm Trewint Road Menheniot PL14 3RE

Proposal: Roofing over an existing feed store

19.12.2017 PA17/10116 APPROVED

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Elworthy

Location: Willow Barn Lambest Farm Menheniot Liskeard Cornwall

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Proposal: Conversion of garage/store into ancillary accommodation together

with extension and alterations

22.12.2017 PA17/08387 APPROVED

Applicant: Mr And Mrs A Hill

Location: Crift House Road From Junction South Of Cutkive To Junction South

Of Butterdon Mill Pengover Green PL14 3NH

Proposal: Erection of two-storey extension to house

D Planning applications refused by Cornwall Council or withdrawn by the applicant. Information only. None.

E Planning Appeals: None

Report on renewal of trading licence for Terry's Tasties. Clerk explained that during the December recess, the parish council had received notification from Cornwall Council Street Trading asking if it had had objections to the renewal and changes to the licence granted to Terry's Tasties located at Lower Clicker layby. The Chair and Vice Chair had examined the notice and decided that the marginal increase in trading hours would not impact on the locality or on other potential competitors.

9/2018 Financial Matters

A Accounts for Payment – Schedule 2017/18 - It was RESOLVED to accept the payment schedule and agree payment. Proposed Cllr Tucker. Seconded Cllr Sneyd. All agreed.

Payments Schedule		Dec 2017	Period	9	
Date	Payee	Description	CQ		£
13/12/2017	Bretonside Print	NDP Printing	DC	£	385.58
18/01/2018	SSE Enterprise	Maintenance 2017	1751	£	100.22
18/01/2018	Rob Craig	Ground maintenance	1752	£	130.00
31/01/2018	John Hesketh	Salary	1753	£	522.00
18/01/2018	Menheniot Parish Hall	Reissue hall hire	1754	£	14.00
18/01/2018	Steve Besford-Foster	NDP Project	1755	£	880.07
All cheque payments today					2,031.87

B Direct Bank Payment & Receipts. For information.

Bank Receipts Schedule		chedule	Dec 2017	Period	8	
	Date	Payer	Description			£
	11/12/2017	Lloyds Bank	Interest		£	3.78
	15/12/2017	Rob Craig	Repair refund		£	48.00
	All bank receipts this period					

- C Bank Reconciliation previously published.
- D Cllr Medlen reviewed bank payments from the previous month.
- E Councillors were asked to approve the purchase of a replacement flagpole, with an estimated cost of £325.00. It was RESOLVED to support the replacement. Proposed Cllr Tucker. Seconded Cllr Medlen. Majority agreed. The Chair explained that he would also obtain a quotation for the installation of two bollards to be located adjacent to the flagpole so as to prevent cars from reversing into it.
- F Councillors RESOLVED to approve the fabrication of tree guards for the trees located on the village green. Proposed Cllr Ball. Seconded Cllr Sneyd. All agreed. Weldspray Limited have quoted £160.00.

10/2018

Councillors' Reports

A Cllr Demelza Medlen

Skateboard park progress. A public meeting will be organised in February for residents and skateboard users to discuss proposals for the design. Enquiries also being made for external funding. ACTION Clerk to support the organisation of the meeting.

B Cllr Pat Cade

Allotments survey: report previously published. Cllr Cade introduced the final survey that concluded most plot holders would support a one-off charge of £10 per plot to fund the installation of an extra water supply and 60gal trough. However, Cllr Clarke reported that a local resident might be willing to donate a 60gal trough, so side-stepping the need for allotments tenants to fund its purchase. Clerk presented a revised schedule of costs and advised councillors that the purchase of connectors, transport and installation of the trough and water supply could be accommodated within the small annual surplus from 2017 and 2018. It was RESOLVED to accept the findings of the allotments survey, thank the resident for his kind donation, consult with allotment holders on the final location of the trough, and all subject to final approval from the Rowe family, from whom the parish council rents the ground. There would be no additional cost to allotment tenants. Council will consult with plot holders before deciding on its final location. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Clarke. All agreed.

C Cllr Eve Easterbrook

The Menheniot Old School Trust is proposing to make changes in its constitution to relieve it of the need to include a trustee from both the parish council and the parochial church council. Councillors were concerned that the close ties between MOST and the parish council might be lost, and asked Cllr Easterbrook to take their comments back to the next trustees meetings.

D Cllr Will Sneyd

Reposted back on his meeting with the Liskeard & Looe Community Network Area meeting held on 16 January 2018. His view was that the CNA provided a great opportunity for councillors and clerks from neighbouring parishes and divisions to meet and discuss issues that affected them all. At the most recent meeting, they had discussed the effects of changes in the structure of local policing in Liskeard and the surrounding area, and proposed changes in the way that the maintenance budget for highways would be partly devolved to the CNA. ACTION Clerk to update the parish website with details of how to report road and pavement problems.

E Cllr Tony Clarke

Expressed other concerns about changes in police restructuring, and the impact it would have on local custody suites. The nearest town to which prisoners can now be taken is Launceston, not Liskeard. Cllr Sneyd was able to confirm that the rebuilding of the police station at Liskeard would go ahead, and would start in autumn 2018.

11/2018

Chair's Agenda Items

A The Chair and councillors agreed a voted of thanks for volunteers who helped organize the Christmas Carol Service.

B Neighbourhood Development Plan

The Steering Group meeting is now taking ace at Menheniot Parish Hall on Thursday 25 January at 7pm. Steve Foster will be available from 5.30pm for consultation with residents on the latest survey.

C Consultation of Shadow Accountable Care System

The Chair and Cllr Seeva both explained that consultation on a shadow body to oversee the delivery of health and social care was in progress across the county. The link to this video explains more: https://vimeo.com/251164533

12/2018

Diary Dates

A The next Full Council Meeting is to be held at The Old School, Menheniot on Thursday 15 February 2018, commencing at 7.30pm.

13/2018 Meeting closed – 21.40

