,

**Present -:** Cllrs. D Laud (Chairman) (DL), M Harvey (MH), R Symonds (RS), J John (JJ), A Harvey (AH), K Yeo (KY), E Shaughnessy-Philp (ESP), V Thorpe (VT) & R Rowse (RR)

**Also attending -:** Mrs K Rees (Clerk) & 2 Members of the Public

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| 127/21 | **Public Safety Announcement:** |
| 128/21 | **Apologies:**  Cllrs. E Green & M Pellow  Cllrs were reminded that anything that is discussed in a Closed Session is confidential and must not be discussed with Members of the Public. |
| 129/21 | **Urgent Business Identified After the Publication of the Agenda:**   1. Installation of Bench in Mitchell: JJ advised that Mr Leggo would prefer that the bench was installed between the noticeboard and the phonebox. ESP advised that she had a meeting with the builder (Steve Dawes) & Mr Leggo and a different location had been agreed. Following discussions, it was ***RESOLVED that JJ would speak to Steve Dawes to resolve the issue.*** |
| 130/21 | **Registered/Non- Registered Interests & Dispensations:** None. |
| 131/21 | **Public Session**:  Mr S Pritchard addressed the PC regarding the surface of the skatepark. When it was installed, the surface was mirror smooth but Maverick, the contractor, did not seal it. This was a common fault by Maverick and happened with several of the other parks in Cornwall. The surface has now washed away, leaving a hardcore which is difficult to skate on. There are options to rectify the situation. A Swedish Company could repair the surface for an approximate cost of £15k. However, there could be a community project whereby the materials are purchased and a group of volunteers undertake the work. This would cost approx. £4k.  ***RESOLVED: Bring item 9(b) Skatepark Maintenance forward***  It was discussed that Maverick offered a 15-year guarantee that no serious remedial work would be required in this time. This could be considered ‘serious remedial work’ and it was suggested that Maverick are asked to rectify the problem first, before looking at other options. It was commented that the park is safe to use as the hardcore is more hardwearing. There were no comments on the annual risk assessment. ***RESOLVED: Mr Pritchard to draft a response to Maverick for the PC to send. PC to go ahead with the installation of the floodlights. Materials to be costed up to undertake the repair as part of a community project next Spring***. |
| 132/21 | **Minutes:**  ***RESOLVED: The Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 13th September 2021, as circulated, were correctly recorded.*** |
| 133/21 | **Cornwall Council Report:**   1. Saints Trail: Cllr. Harvey advised that due to overspending, Cornwall Council has withdrawn plans for the St. Newlyn East to Carland Cross & Truro to Idles Woods sections of the Saints Trail & the proposed bridges will be replaced with ramps. AH had a meeting with Officers last week who would not answer any of the queries & there is still no plan for Metha Bridge. A bat survey has been undertaken at Mr Hewlett’s property and a rare species found. KY advised that Roger Gates is co-ordinating a meeting with Phil Mason & the PC’s affected try to get to the bottom of this shambles. A public meeting would be pushed for. ***RESOLVED: Cllrs. to send queries for meeting to Clerk/KY***. 2. Cubert Crossroads: Cherilyn Mackrory MP recently undertook a resident’s survey. 600 responses were received. |
| 134/21 | **Planning Applications, Appeals & Decisions:**   1. There were no applications. 2. The decisions were read out. 3. The 5-day protocol for the application for the proposed solar farm at Carland Cross had been received. Following discussions, it was ***RESOLVED to agree to disagree with the Planning Officer***. |
| 135/21 | **Matters For Discussion**   1. Highways Issues: (i) VT advised that she & DL went to move the visor. It was a difficult job due to the positioning of the poles and the fact that it was impossible to use a ladder. Could two more visors with solar batteries be purchased? It was discussed that permanent speed visors are not as effective as moveable ones due to driver awareness. ***RESOLVED: Clerk to investigate cost of a solar-powered flashing 30 visor. DL & JJ to move visor to Mitchell***. (ii) The virtual pavement is looking tired. ***RESOLVED: Put forward for funding from Community Network Highway Budget***. (iii) The 30mph sign as you come off the A30 in Mitchell has still not been cut out. ***RESOLVED: Clerk to chase***. (iv) It was commented that the cars parking on the double yellow lines outside Wesley Hall are causing a hazard. (v) There are several potholes in Fiddlers Green requiring repair. ***RESOLVED: Clerk to report.*** 2. Recreation Ground: (i) The installation of the play equipment should commence in February. Mr R Trestrail has volunteered to remove the old equipment and once the installation date is confirmed, a group of volunteers would be organised to assist. (ii) The Clerk had been unable to get a quote for the trenching required for the floodlight installation. ***RESOLVED: Clerk to ask John Todman & Steve Dawes for quotes***. (iii) The Clerk advised that there is some general maintenance work required at the Recreation Ground including the removal of several large planks of wood & the cutting of the hedge around the skatepark. She had received a quote of £1200 to include skip hire & also the removal of the hedge in St. Francis Meadow. ***RESOLVED: Clerk to accept quote***. 3. Mitchell Village Hall: The Highway Report has been undertaken and the pre-application will be submitted imminently. ESP advised that a committee has been set-up. JJ & RR to represent the PC on this committee. Renewable Connections have been approached regarding the community benefit arising from their proposed Tregonning Solar Farm. It was commented that this should be negotiated via the Parish Council. ***NOTED***. 4. War Memorial Refurbishment: The Clerk advised that due to vandalism there had been some issues with the concrete laid. This has now been rectified and the handrail should be installed shortly. ***NOTED***. 5. Wesley Hall Refurbishment: The installation of the upstairs kitchen has started. The Clerk is waiting for a quote for a more efficient heating system. ***NOTED***. 6. Queen’s Platinum Jubilee***:*** RS advised that a committee of 12 has been set-up & a first meeting will be held at the end of October to discuss a program of events for the celebration on 5th June. Following discussions, it was ***RESOLVED that the PC would pay for memorial coins/mugs for the children of the Parish.*** |
| 136/21 | **Business Matters:**   1. Mitchell Grasscutting: ESP advised that the MVA’s grasscutting bill for the play field is £960 + VAT. Would the PC be willing to make a contribution? ***RESOLVED: PC to make a contribution of £200 and pay bill to avoid VAT liability.*** |
| 137/21 | **Reports from Outside Meetings Attended in the Last Month:**   * ESP had attended a meeting of the MVA & gave an update on the plans for the poppy display and Platinum Jubilee. JJ & MP also attended this meeting. * JJ, RR & ESP had attended a meeting of the Mitchell Village Hall Committee (see 135/21 (c)) * KY & AH had attended a meeting of the Community Network. As well as the Saints Trail, other issues of concern include affordable housing & the Council’s planning department. KY will attend a meeting of the Chairman’s & Vice Chair’s of all the Network Panels next week. * DL attended a meeting of the Police Liaison Group. * DL & KY attended a meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. The first draft of the plan should be available at the end of October. A public consultation will be held in December/January. |
| 138/21 | **Correspondence:**  None. |
| 139/21 | **Finance:**   1. Accounts: ***RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £6443.34 were approved for payment (see appendix 1)*** 2. Urgent Financial Matters: None. 3. Applications to the Carland Cross & Parish Council Grant Fund: ***RESOLVED: Grant of £8800 awarded to the St. Newlyn East Play Ground Refurbishment Project.*** The funding of the purchase of the land for the Village Hall in Mitchell was discussed at length. ***RESOLVED: To allocate £22,500 to the Mitchell Village Hall project. This would be used to either fund the purchase or to put towards the build cost, if the purchase price is reduced.*** 4. Annual Audit 2020/21: The External Audit is now complete and the documents available on the PC’s website. ***RESOLVED: External Audit 2020/21 accepted as a true record***. 5. Precept 2022/23: ***RESOLVED F& GP Committee to meeting on 1st November at 7pm to discuss***. |
| 140/21 | **Items for the November 2021 Agenda:**  Code of Conduct Training (VT)  Telephone Box Painting (DL) |
| 141/21 | **Closure:**  There being no further business, the Chairman thanked members for their attendance. He advised that the **next scheduled Full Council Meeting will take place on 08th November 2021 at 7.00pm.** The meeting closed at 21.10hrs |