

GULWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Gulworthy Parish Council
held on Tuesday 2nd May 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Present

J Chalcraft

J Hamilton

G Lister

R Pike

K Royston

D Whitworth

R Musgrave (West Devon Borough Council)

Two members of the public.

Before the meeting started a minutes silence was held in memory of Keith Parsons an ex councilor who passed away last Thursday.

1 **Minutes** The minutes of 4 May 2016 were agreed.

2 **Matters arising** None

3 **Annual report**

During the year Gulworthy Parish Council has held eight meetings unfortunately the meetings called for the 5th and 26th September were not quorate and no decisions were taken. We have had three casual vacancies through the resignations of Winston Lake, Stella Rasdell and Rosemary Steer, these vacancies have been filled with the co-option of George Lister, Kate Royston and Danny Daniels. Owing to the ill health of our internal auditor Ken Abraham we have had to find an alternative auditor and this appointment has been filled by Stuart Pollard of Auditing Solutions.

The Queen celebrated her 90th birthday and Gulworthy school children were presented with commemorative tokens.

We were fortunate in obtaining some funding from the TAP fund to clear some of the drains in the parish and have worked in conjunction with Devon County Council and James Jeffery on this project. In addition to this Devon County Council have much improved the Three Oaks road junction.

The work on replacing the lettering on the War Memorial remains to be done.

A new computer and printer have been purchased for the Council in conjunction with Lamerton Parish Council.

Finally work is steadily progressing on the Ward and Chowen project which is now sited in 2 Market Street on the top floor, despite Ward and Chowen being taken over by Stags the project is still ongoing and Stags are fully supportive of the project.

4 **Statement of accounts** Copies of the accounts were distributed and discussed.

5 Reports from representatives on other bodies:

- a. *Ford Street and Maynard's Charities* The folder from R Steer had been given to K Royston.
- b. *Gulworthy County Primary School* No report was received.
- c. *Gulworthy Parish Hall Management Committee* The committee were raising funds for further improvements to the hall and £8,000 was needed. Bookings were up and contracts had been entered in to with the Bee Club and Derriford Cardiac Unit.

- 6 **A O B** K Royston informed members that Energy advice was available for vulnerable people.

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Gulworthy Parish Council held on Tuesday 2 May 2017 immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting.

Present

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Two members of the public.

26.2017 **Declarations of acceptance of office and register of members interests**

27.2017 **Election of Chairman** J Chalcraft, proposed by D Whitworth, seconded R Pike, all in favour.

28.2017 **Election of Vice Chairman** R Pike, proposed by J Hamilton, seconded D Whitworth, all in favour.

29.2017 **Election of Representatives on:**

i. *Ford Street Charity* K Royston, proposed by R Pike, seconded G Lister, all in favour.

ii. *Gulworthy Parish Hall* D Daniels, proposed by J Chalcraft, seconded J Hamilton.

iii. *Southern Parishes Link committee* K Royston and G Lister.

30.2017 **Minutes** The minutes of 6th March 2017 were agreed and signed, all in favour.

31.2017 **Matters arising**

a. The *web site* was discussed and it was agreed to obtain further quotations before proceeding.

b. *War Memorial* The lettering should be done by the end of the month.

32.2017 **Council update reports from Devon County Council and West Devon Borough Council**

a. Two contracts had been renewed for Leisure Services by a company called Fusion. The swimming pools were making a loss. The waste collection contract was being renewed, but for the time being was continuing as usual. The local development plan was being updated and the scrutiny committee was also being updated. Elections were forthcoming on 4 May.

b. D Whitworth asked that the council look in to the costs of sending out a newsletter to parishioners on an A4 double sided paper plus postage.

33.2017 Correspondence

- a. Hags Play Equipment
- b. Seton catalogue
- c. Wickstead Leisure
- d. Glasdon

34.2017 Cemetery

- a. *General maintenance* A new contract had been entered into, the grass had been cut with the wild flowers/daffodils left and the cemetery was looking good.

35.2017 Planning

- a. Applications received since 6 March 2017 None

36.2017 Finance

- a. Annual audit
 - i. Statement of accounts 2016/2017
 - ii. The Annual Governance Statement was agreed and signed.
 - iii. The accounting statement was agreed and signed.
- b. Accounts for payment
- c. S A Cole (Currys PC World printer) £99.98
- d. H P (Computer) £478.00
- e. S A Cole (Moneysoft accounts package) £114.00
- f. Elliot Groundcare £50.00 (two invoices totaling £100)
- g. S A Cole salary £417.80
- h. Lamerton Parish Council half share computer information transfer £20.00
- i. Tavistock Times £5.28

37.2017 A O B

- a. G Lister asked for more information on the NALC grant.
- b. K Royston informed members of a Big Lunch for Devon Great Consuls residents on 18 June.
- c. J Chalcraft asked for members to respond to emails and not ignore them.