Minutes of Meeting of the Parish Council Held on Tuesday 12th November 2024 at 7.30pm held at the Village Hall

<u>Present</u> Cllr Andy Notman – Chairman

Cllr Chris Cannon Cllr Shirley Firth Cllr Rachel Griffin Cllr Ben Poulton Cllr Nigel Smith

CCIIr Steve Criswell DCIIr Charlotte Lowe

Sarah Mizuro (Clerk)

0 members of the public present.

		Action
61	Apologies and reasons for Absence DCllr Adele Costello	None
62	Members declaration of Interest for items on the Agenda – None	None
63	Public Forum – CCllr Steve Criswell said that the combined authority was now pushing for improvements to the A141, but no longer up to St Ives. CCllr Criswell informed the meeting that he would not be standing again at the elections next May and DCllr Lowe would be the conservative candidate. DCllr Lowe spoke about the upcoming consultation on grave reuse with the National Association of Local Councils. Community Chest fund is still open and also the National Lottery Community fund is available. On the 14 th November HDC will host a showcase at The Burgess Hall, entitled Pride in	
	Place.	None
64	Minutes – Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record.	None
65	Co-Option of Councillors – as no applications have been received the advert is to remain displayed.	None
66	Finance – Financial Statements were agreed. Payments to be made – Agreed Cllr Notman proposed Cllr Poulton seconded Clerk Salary £181.44 Streetlight Energy £374.03	
	The SSE direct debt has now been reinstated by the bank.	
	Precept – This was discussed by the Councillors and it was proposed that a small increase in the precept was made to £6750 in order to cover the ongoing works with the streetlights. Cllr Smith proposed, Cllr Poulton seconded, no objects made by all other Councillors. Form to be completed and submitted.	SM
67	Planning - None	Nissa
68	Standing orders and Financial regulations - Ongoing	None
69	Health & Safety / Public Right of Way – Cllr Notman spoke about the leaves on pathways around the village. In previous years these had been cleared as part of the maintenance contract. Cllr Notman proposed that an advert was placed and quotes obtained for this to be done.	None

70	Village Reports –	
	Village Hall – Cllr Notman informed the meeting that there will be a meeting on Wednesday 13 th November and a bar night on Friday 15 th November.	None
	Townlands Charity – Cllr Notman informed the meeting that parishioners were now being asked to reapply for the Christmas monies.	None
	Church – Cllr Firth said there were still spaces for stalls at the advent fayre on 23 rd November. Also Christmas cards have been printed using a photograph taken by Francis Mizuro and these are now for sale.	None
71	Streetlight Maintenance – Already covered in discussion of precept.	None
72	Traffic Management / A141 – Cllr Notman asked if Councillors wished to comment as a Parish Council for the consultation. Cllr Smith commented that without another river crossing all other works will be pointless. CCllr Criswell informed the meeting that he was trying to get onto the agenda a long term improvement for Earith causeway. Cllr Notman to draft a comment for the Parish Council and email to all for approval.	All
73	Maintenance – Already covered in discussion of Health & Safety.	None
74	Correspondence – Letters and emails have been sent to local companies owning vehicles over 7.5 tonne, which are regularly seen in the village. Cllr Cannon commented that many of these vehicles were going to Envar.	
	Cllr Poulton is looking at setting up Speedwatch. This is police backed and training can be given in the Village Hall if a minimum of 7 volunteers attend. Cllr Griffin commented that when this is advertised a an estimate of hours committed would be useful.	
75	Items and date for next meeting – The next meeting will be held on 10 th December.	
	The Meeting Closed at 20:23	
	2024 Meeting dates Tuesday 12th February Tuesday 5th March Tuesday 9th April – Annual Parish Meeting Tuesday 14th May – Annual General Meeting Tuesday 11th June Tuesday 9th July Tuesday 10th September Tuesday 15th October Tuesday 12th November Tuesday 10th December	

