

Time: 7pm
Location: Old School, Menheniot PL14 3QY
Present: Cllrs Eve Easterbrook (Vice Chair); Steve Roberts; Jerry Tucker; Pat Cade.
Also present: John Hesketh (Clerk to the Parish Council). Cornwall Councillor Phil Seeva. There were 3 members of the public in attendance.

090/2024 Chair's Welcome and opening remarks.

Cllr Easterbrook opened the meeting by paying tribute to the former Cllr Tony Ball who passed away recently. Tony had been a parish councillor since 2017 and had played an active role around the parish for long before that. He was known for his can-do approach to everything he was involved in, whether it was making a repair, installing a post, pulling out a trapped vehicle or clearing a fallen tree that was blocking a road. As a councillor, I always knew that I could talk things over with him and get an honest and practical response. Our residents can see his work everywhere in the parish and we will miss him for that. But above all of that, we have lost a colleague, councillor and good friend. We will miss him greatly, and we pass on our condolences to his family.

091/2024 Apologies for Absence.

Received from Cllrs Cole, Luck, Goldsmith, Smith and Hemming.

092/2024 Members' Declarations.

No declarations made or dispensations requested.

093/2024 Closed Session

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of Business.

Clerk delivered an update on the commencement of work at the Lark View development and potential impacts on the parish.

Action: Clerk to circulate meeting notes to all councillors.

The public meeting resumed at 7.45pm

094/2024 Public Participation.

Cornwall Councillor Phil Seeva reported that: discussions have taken place around council owned entities; confirmed that it is not the intention of CC to sell Newquay Airport; discussions are ongoing with a private investor to help develop the land adjacent to the airport (potentially housing, hotel, solar farm) and support the airport going forward. Noted that county elections are confirmed for 1 May 2025, and that he would be a candidate for his current division.

095/2024 Minutes of Meeting.

It was **Resolved to approve** the minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2024 with the inclusion of apologies from Cllr Cade. Proposed Cllr Roberts. Seconded Cllr Tucker. All agreed.

096/2024 Matters arising

Following receipt of insurance documents, risk assessment and a satisfactory reference, it was **Resolved to appoint ACE ARB** as grounds maintenance contractor for the period 2025-28.

Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Cade. All agreed.

Action: Clerk to draw up contract for signature.

097/2024 Planning

A New planning applications received

Ref PA25/00099

Proposal Proposed extension and re-modelling to include the removal of thermally inefficient sub-standard extension and the provision for roof-mounted solar panels

Location Keyes Horningtops Liskeard Cornwall

The applicant and agent attended to explain the history and background to the proposal. . It was

Resolved to support the application. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Tucker. All agreed.

Menheniot Park & Ride car park

Councillors discussed a proposal from Cornwall Council to acquire the acquisition of the car park at Menheniot rail station. All agreed that the plan and photograph supplied did not make it sufficiently clear which part of the land was being offered. However, it was **Resolved to confirm an expression of interest** in the offer, with the potential to use the parking area as a base for electric vehicle charging. Proposed Cllr Tucker. Seconded Cllr Easterbrook. All agreed.

Action: Clerk to confirm decision to Cornwall Council subject to clarification of the area under offer.

B Any applications received by Cornwall Council by the time of the meeting. Information only: none received.

C Planning decisions made by Cornwall Council.

PA24/07182 APPROVED

Proposal Reserved matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale (details following outline consent PA23/10077 dated 27.02.2024 for the erection of manager/owner's dwelling)

Location:- Torr Farm Menheniot Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3PW

PA24/04986 APPROVED

Proposal 'Single story detached bungalow, revised driveway and the construction of a detached double garage for the use of the existing property (Resubmission of previous application PA22/09732)' without compliance of condition 2 of decision PA23/03099 dated 05/07/2023.

Location:- Homefield Merrymeet Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3LP

D Appeal (for information)

PA24/02352

Proposal: Proposed construction of a single, two-storey, detached dwellinghouse, involving demolition of existing Nissan hut structure and using existing access to highway

Location: Land South West Of Popes Mill, Roseland, Menheniot, Cornwall, PL14 3PQ

098/2024 Finance

A It was **Resolved to approve** the schedule and agree payment. Proposed Cllr Easterbrook. Seconded Cllr Tucker. Cllr Easterbrook to authorise.

Date	Payee	Description	£
20/01/2025	Cornwall ALC	Cllr training	24.00
20/01/2025	Western Web	Renew domain	60.00
20/01/2025	Prydis	Payroll support	132.00
20/01/2025	Peake (GB)	Waste disposal	119.70
27/01/2025	HMRC	PAYE	204.20
27/01/2025	John Hesketh	Salary	827.51
27/01/2025	Kyleigh Newbould	Salary	285.60
All payments this period			£ 1,653.01

B Bank Reconciliation.

At the close of business on 31 December 2024, the parish council held £44,958.80 in its accounts

C Outturn Q3 (Oct-Dec 2024)

Received and noted.

Cllr Easterbrook reminded all councillors that they should not commit to any expenditure or be submitting expenses claims without prior consultation with the Clerk.

D Community Grant Application

It was **Resolved to award the remaining £477** of its Community Grants budget to Menheniot Parish Hall to purchase cleaning equipment. Proposed Cllr Roberts. Seconded Cllr Tucker. All agreed.

Action: Clerk to obtain acceptance of terms and conditions from applicant and arrange transfer of funds.

099/2024 Chairs Report

A Parish Noticeboard at Menheniot

Chair reported that the council had received advice from CALC cautioning it against removing and replacing the existing noticeboard without explicit consent from the house owner whose property supports the current board. Cllr Roberts agreed to speak with the owner to resolve any outstanding issues.

B Options for replacement of the current goal posts on East Road playing field.

Councillors discussed the proposals made by Cllr Goldsmith and agreed to reconsider them at the next meeting.

Action: Clerk to add this item to the February agenda.

100/2024 Clerk's Report

A Election timetable 1 May 2025

Clerk reported that notice of the election would be published on 14 March 2025, with nominations for seats being open until 4pm on 2 April 2025. Further details about the availability of nomination bundles and delivery of the completed papers will be available in due course from Cornwall Council. Clerk will be making regular postings to encourage voter registration, nomination and voting.

B Casual Vacancy

Following the resignation of Julian Berg, the Clerk has advertised for the casual vacancy but there have been no responses received to date.

Action: Clerk will update Cornwall Council with details of the most recent vacancy.

C Invitation from Liskeard Town Council

Liskeard Town Council is holding a Vision Workshop on 17 February 2025 and invites parish councillors to attend.

Action: Clerk to recirculate the invitation and inform Liskeard Town Council of the response.

101/2024 Diary Dates.

A 20 February 2025 7pm Menheniot Old School

102/2024 End of meeting 21.00

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