

DRAFT MINUTES - NOT RATIFIED UNTIL SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD AT BUDOCK VILLAGE LOWER HALL, ON MONDAY 20th MAY 2018

PRESENT: Cllrs Bastin, Bennett (Chairman and also representing Treverva Village Hall), Bownas, Mrs Clark (also representing the Over 60's and The Luncheon Club), Fairbank (representing Budock Village Hall) Hart, Hennell, Heritage and Palmer

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Alex Roebuck, Clerk; and members of the public; 1 representing Falmouth Quilters and 1 resident of the parish.

The Chairman explained the safety procedures.

TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Geraty.

TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF LAST YEAR'S ANNUAL MEETING

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Fairbank and SECONDED by Mrs Clark and:

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on the 21st May 2018 are received and approved.

On a vote being taken this was approved with two abstentions.

1. BUDOCK PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT 2019 Produced and read by Cllr Bennett (Chairman)

The Parish Council consists of 10 parishioners, who are prepared to give of their time freely in the administration of the Council, on behalf of the community.

Planning

Planning issues continue to be a major concern, with large housing developments either under construction or at the planning stage. We do our utmost to maintain the natural buffer between out neighbouring authorities and ourselves, but development continues to encroach on the countryside. Faced with the apparently unlimited resources of the construction companies, it is very much an unequal challenge. Furthermore, the impending boundary review, with its potential consequences for Budock Parish, will soon need addressing.

It is with great regret that, despite representation by the Parish Council and its divisional member, disruption caused by contractors and the utility companies continues on roads and footpaths around our parish.

To help with planning applications, we have formed a new Planning Working Group, which consists of four parish councillors who meet once a month to discuss application, and to construct possible responses. These results then go to the full council for consideration and voting takes place in the usual way.

Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan is now reaching a crucial stage. Great work has been done by a relatively small group of volunteers with various skills and at a relatively small financial cost to the Parish.

Speed Visors

The council has allocated funds for the installation of a visor in Treverva, where speeding is a major concern. A final decision in conjunction with Highways as to which apparatus we purchase is imminent. A scheme for Budock is also under discussion.

Data Protection

To comply with our legal obligations, much has been done to reduce the amount of information, which is stored, and new procedures have been implemented.

Community Projects and Grants

The Playing Fields received a grant towards the felling and disposal of a number of trees.

Budock Village Hall received a grant towards the cost of replacing a damaged bunded oil tank.

New noticeboards were also funded for the outside of the Village Hall.

Two benches in Budock were replaced with low-maintenance seating.

Routine Maintenance

Salt bins were filled and deployed for winter.

Weed control, grass cutting and footpath maintenance continue and to be carried out.

Climate Emergency

Cornwall Council has declared a climate emergency and the Parish Council is starting a process of engagement with the community, with the intention of forming a strategy going forward.

Parish Clerk

Lois Iddon, our clerk over many years, has decided to retire. Lois has carried out her duties with great skill and professionalism, warmth and humour, and she will be greatly missed. However, Alex Roebuck has been appointed as the new parish clerk, and we look forward to working with her.

Finally, it came as a great surprise and honour to be asked to become Chairman, and it has certainly been a steep learning curve. I would like to thank Peter, as vice-chairman, who always been on hand to offer sound advice, and my fellow councillors for their patience and understanding over the last twelve months.

i. I wish you all well.

2. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMUNITY

Budock Village Hall – Takings continue to decline; the Village Hall Management Committee has agreed that charges will need to be increased from October and notifications will be sent to existing groups that use the hall, in the next few days.

Falmouth Quilters – produced and read by Mrs Alwynne Jones (Chair of Falmouth Quilters)

We have had a busy year as usual. Over the years we start items and somehow or other they do not get finished, so this year some of us have been finishing them. (We call these UFO's Unfinished Objects!)

Two members have had two great grandchildren, this said to us, 'must do a quilt' - very satisfying

Variations in our work this year too, cross stitch, Knitting and Embroidery.

We have had some workshops making purses, handbags and beaded shiny balls.

We have also had a demonstration from our own members 'Cathedral Windows' (that being an old one we had forgotten how to do)

We have decided not to donate cash to any charity this year, but we will make small quilts for the Linus Charity as we have lots of Fat Quarters and remnants in what we call 'Our Stash'

When we have some quilts finished, one of our members relations will take them to Devon to distribute them to all the people needing them.

The reason we are not donating to a charity this year is because we can't afford to, like many others.

Budock Over 60's – produced and read by Mrs Irene Clark.

Budock Over 60's (could also be called over 70's and 80's)

We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 2.30pm except August and December. Our membership at present is 44!

We enjoy entertainment afternoons; at Easter we have Bingo when the prizes are Easter Eggs.

From April through to September (But not August) we enjoy coach outings on the first Tuesday of the month, the next one will be to Trelawney Gardens in Padstow.

In December we will return again to Penmorvah Hotel for our Christmas Lunch.

Depending on funds, members will get a reduction on price. Last year they paid just £10.

Budock Luncheon Club – produced and read by Mrs Irene Clark.

The first lunch for our over 60's was on 28th February 1998. We meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 12.15pm. We have three very good volunteer cooks who alternate on different months. We also have volunteer helpers, who help in the kitchen and wait on the senior citizen diners. The cooks will cook for anyone, 22-26 diners plus the helpers. The price is £5 for lunch, sweet plus tea and coffee. This is paid for in advance so we know how many are attending.

3. TO DISCUSS PRIORITIES FROM THE COMMUNITY

The Climate Emergency is of particular interest within the local community and is being addressed by the Parish Council.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.15pm

Signed:	Dated:
Chairman	