

Minutes of the meeting of the Merrymeet & Pengover Green Residents' Association held on Tuesday 6th September 2011 at 7:30pm in St Mary's Church, Merrymeet

Present: Alan Hartshorn (Chair), Brian Arthur, Mark Battie, Bill Cox, Pam Day, Brian Taylor, Nola Venton, Mary Whitehead, Phil Whitehead

Apologies received from: Bryan Ugalde, Gary Williams

All were welcomed to the meeting by the Chair.

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 19th July 2011 were approved and signed.

2. Matters arising from the previous meeting:

2.1 WEBSITE – all key information has now been restored to the website; mainly the photo albums now requiring some work.

2.2 COMMUNAL AREA – additional questions have been raised by the Lottery Fund in connection with the Stage 2 submission.

Bryan Ugalde has decided to step down from the committee at the end of stage 2.

Nola offered to take on arranging the open day on completion of the project.

2.3 ACCOUNTS – balances as last time: **£3852.36** (Current Account) and **£1192.85** (Deposit Account). £50 had been received from the Liskeard and District Agricultural Association following the show. Pam to send a letter of thanks.

2.4 CHAPEL – Alan had spoken to the local planning officer, but as the land belongs to the Methodists it is theirs to do as they wish.

Brian Cox and Phil had attended the auction. The chapel has been bought by a small developer from Devonport who intends to do a quality conversion. Completion for the sale should be within a month of the auction.

The memorial bench including the plinth had been moved and resited in the graveyard.

Roger Jones had received a letter of complaint from someone outside the area who had visited the graveyard, regarding its poor state. Alan had replied that it was the responsibility of the Methodist Church and was maintained as well as funds allow.

2.5 BANK IN PENGOVER GREEN – has now been repaired and is to be planted with summer flowers.

2.6 SPEED LIMIT – ongoing; final decision yet to be made on what the speed limit should be.

2.7 LITTER PICK – this had been done and apart from the main road it was not too bad.

2.8 ROAD CLOSURE – notice had been received from Cornwall Council about a road closure from north of Trehawke Lane towards Pensilva from 24th October to the 4th November for patching works.

2.9 PARKING IN LAY BY – Garth Hatt had been informed about the taxi in the lay by; the vehicle has since moved on but other vehicles have also been parking overnight in the lay by and other prominent positions.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

PD Another village newsletter is due to be prepared; Brian Taylor asked for an appeal for old spectacles to be included again.

MW The dog show will be held on the 18th September with any money raised going to the Precious Lives appeal. The exact location for the show is to be decided.

MB A caravan park is proposed at Lower Trengrove to accommodate up to 5 caravans and 10 tents for use by Caravan Club members. Mark had sent a letter of complaint but no planning permission is required. The access may prove difficult for large caravans. No action possible.

PW Cornwall Council removed signs for the Morval Steam Rally after informing the organisers that planning permission was needed at a cost of £95-£335 per sign. Phil had had a letter published in the Cornish Times to highlight the issue.

This policy may well affect the Liskeard Show next year.

BT The shrubs on the corner with the A390 are getting overgrown again and making the visibility difficult when turning out. Phil offered to have a word with the owners.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 11th October 2011 at 7:30 pm in St Mary's.