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Minutes of a Committee Meeting of TaWRA held at the Village Hall, on Wednesday 20th May 2009 at 7.00 pm

Those present: Richard Griffiths (Acting Chairman), Stan Burgess, Jane Myles (Secretary), Carole Webb, Marie Roddis, Tim Stafford, Cath Olivey, Jo Olivey, Paul Follet, Lee Mills. **Apologies for absence** were received from Michael Bird and Kate Straker.

1. Minutes of last meeting

The Minutes of the last Meeting at the Well Parc Hotel, on Monday 20th April 2009 were read and amendments were agreed which will be included, approved and duly signed at the next meeting in July.

2. Matters arising

Pot holes

Marie talked to the Highways dept and was promised that a Highways steward would visit the site within 24 hours (ie on 21st May). It was acknowledged by them that this is official Highways land. Paul Follet volunteered to be available to talk to the steward.

Payment for the hall. JM reported that the Hall Committee had decided to let TaWRA have this current meeting plus the planned open forum free of charge for which we are most grateful. We will be charged a reduced rate of £5 thereafter if we decide to use the Hall as a venue for meetings. Tim Stafford pointed out that the Hall has its insurance paid by Padstow Town Council whereas we do not, and that other groups meet free of charge. Our only purpose is to improve the quality of life in the village.

Beach wheel chair

Paul Follet reported that Graham Straker is responsible for the hire of the chair and for inspection following its use. The local Beach Ranger has overall responsibility for its care and maintenance. The chair is provided by 'Ability' (tel. 01208-862-162). Tim suggested photographing it and putting it on the blogsite. JM to photograph and provide text including 'Beach Ranger' and 'Sand Chair' for internet links to pick this up easily. The 'Action' on Richard Griffiths regarding certification is therefore no longer required.

3. Correspondence

JM reported the note from Councillor Michael Hunt saying that we have no funding from the Council for insurance. Tim Stafford reported that Councillor Reynolds voted against the refusal as did Councillor Hunt. Tim suggested that he draft a letter to the Council explaining the ways in which our objectives are different from PATCAG, as it is assumed that

we duplicate and overlap. TaWRA is much more about social inclusion and does not undertake large projects similar to PATCAG. We should try to build a bridge and give the Council an opportunity to reconsider a contribution to our insurance since we need to show how we will be helping PATCAG as per their minutes (*See Point 6 below*) The Chairman proposed that Tim does this in collaboration with Jo Olivey, and that Michael Bird signs it on his return.

4. Newsletter.

JM suggested sending a press release to the *Cornish Guardian* on the 'Simple Pleasures' section of the May issue of the TaWRA newsletter since it coincides with the BBC's 'Love Where You Live' campaign and had the Committee's backing for this. Paul Follet expressed concerns about the open meeting format and Stan Burgess suggested that it should, instead, be an open forum to which villagers could bring their concerns and new ideas. Jo Olivey, Marie Roddis and Tim Stafford will organise the Open Forum evening on 17th June.

5. PATCAG

Tim Stafford reported that the AGM is 24th June at Padstow School. At this meeting a winning logo will be chosen. Activities include a survey about a proposed local shuttle bus link to Padstow with volunteer drivers. It will also be available for schools, village halls, etc. In addition there will be a survey on leisure activities. On affordable housing the Council has now decided they need to do a detailed survey of needs (income levels, etc, in view of the three affordable housing proposals in the pipeline). PATCAG are requesting help from Tawra regarding the pot holes in Trevone as it is considered we are in a better position than PATCAG having had far more dealings with Highways on this matter. They have decided to have a blog based on the TaWRA blogsite which will be linked in to Tawra and to the Council's website. Marie Roddis expressed concern about data protection and it was agreed that we would not be making our blog site mailing list available for external services.

6. IT report

The IT group would like more people attending their meetings. Tim, Jane and Cath are now the TaWRA blogsite contributors. Tim reported that the group had looked at another Cornish village website and noted that it was a blog site using the same software as the TaWRA site. The review had concluded that the home page design was a bit old fashioned and not very inviting. Overall the website seemed to be a historical marker rather than something encouraging an inclusive community. However it included a picture gallery (past and present). This is a good learning point for us as we could do something similar by scanning in all available pictures of old Trevone. It would be lower cost and easier to keep current to include pictures in blog entries until such time as a full website can be funded. Things the group were not so keen emulating had been censuses going back to 1891, recent house prices – transactions and sales from the land registry, and full individual planning applications within the village with elevations and plans.

It was agreed TaWRA should not charge for links to village businesses as the benefits are not yet proven in terms of internet traffic and could not be justified commercially. TaWRA should charge for advertising links to any commercial business outside Trevone.

TAWRA needs to create a permanent link between the News blog site and the newsletter. Every news item should have a link either to (a) the blog or (b) other relevant information.

We are trying to encourage people to send the Newsletter on to five friends. Tim is going to ask the village councillors if we can put their email addresses on our blogsite.

7. Report from Annual Parish Council meeting

Jo Olivey reported that there had been a talk about the imminent changeover to digital TV. Police reported that crime has gone down in the parish. Community Policing has been reduced from two to one and Officer Robin Moorcroft is no longer funded to work in the Padstow area. Car parking rates have been raised. A senior citizens' outdoor gym also planned. There is the possibility of CCTV for the car parks and the post office.

8. Fund-raising group

Jo Olivey reported that she had met with Cath and Marie and come up with a few suggestions for fund-raising. She has asked about a possible barbecue date at the Well Parc. They are waiting to know if there is a vacancy. JM had suggested a teddy bears' picnic on the beach or the green or a Quality Swap Shop. Jo also suggested a Tide Race on the beach in which teams would pay to take part. Paul Follet thought that the Committee should appeal to residents for funding in the newsletter.

JM reported that she had received an anonymous donation of £20.

A proposal to include a version of Paul's appeal in the May newsletter was passed unanimously.

9. Padstow Parish Council planning meeting

Richard Griffiths reported that the Council weren't happy to adopt the Policy Planning document. A needs survey is to be done to ascertain income and needs of local people. There was concern that Padstow would be hosting affordable housing for a much wider catchment area as people with genuinely low income and seasonal work in the local vicinity might not be able to afford the prices suggested by both developers involved in possible proposals. The Council wants to develop its own guidelines as it feels Padstow is a special case and an exception.

10. Beach car park payment

A resident requested that TaWRA look at parking concessions for residents at the beach. The Committee felt that this was an inappropriate issue for the TaWRA to be involved with.

11. Ground rules for meetings

Marie said that they are valuable rules and we are all willing to comply.

Stan Burgess suggested that anyone raising sensitive issues should have a chat with the Chairman before the meeting. There should be no need for TaWRA to produce a separate document provided that Committee members observe the spirit of the PATCAG rules

13. Date, time and place of next Committee meeting:

Thursday 2nd July at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

The Meeting closed at 9.45 pm.

RICHARD GRIFFITHS,

Chairman

JANE MYLES,

Secretary