**Minutes** **of the Annual Parish Meeting** held on Monday 09 April, 2018, at 7.00. pm in the Mills Street Community Room,

St Day.

**Present:** Cllrs. C Bell, C Jones, D Moerel, G Nankivell and J. Newcombe.

 Cllr. M Kaczmarek CC

 Clerk S. Edwards

1. **Apologies and Chairman’s remarks.**

 **RESOLVED** to accept the apologies of Cllrs R Gill and C Williams.

1. **Confirmation of the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 11 April, 2017.**

 **RESOLVED** that the Minutes be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings and signed by the Chairman.

1. **Report by the Chairman on the activities of the Parish Council during the year 2017/18.**

 The Chairman provided a report which is attached to these Minutes.

1. **Report by Cornwall Councillor on activities during the year 2017/18.**

 Cllr Kaczmarek said that 2017/18 had been a very busy year and mentioned the following points in particular:

* Scorrier crossroads. Exactly what form the road improvements will take has still to be decided but CC doesn't have the funds for the best solution.
* Wheal Jewell Travellers' Site. Matters have improved on the site since the visit with the Chief Executive of CC in January.
* Cornwall Councillor's Community Chest. He has been happy to help local organisations as much as possible with this funding.
* Tolgullow Woods. He has been pleased to see the recent improvement in the road surface and has helped to coordinate litter picks while the road was closed.
* He was pleased to win the local election in May for Carharrack, Gwennap and St Day but is disappointed to see that the new boundary changes are likely to link St Day with Mount Ambrose.
* He thanked Cllr Newcombe for his many years of service as Chair of St Day Parish Council and is pleased that he is still continuing as a Parish Councillor.

**5. Report by the Clerk on the details of the audit for the financial year 2016/17.**

The Clerk reported that the accounts had been inspected and signed off by the District Audit.

**6. Statement of accounts for the financial year 2017/18.**

The Clerk read out an analysis of accounts showing a balance of £54,046.51.

 **RESOLVED** to accept the statement of accounts.

**7. Public discussion.**

No member of the public was present.

 The meeting closed at 07.11 pm.

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Chairman’s Report

This report is the first in this electoral term and sees several new members of the Parish Council: Clive Jones, David Moerel, Roy Gill and myself.

Most notable events have been:

Neighbourhood Development Plan for the Parish commenced and thanks are due to the Volunteers, all those who participated in the Initial Survey and those on the Working Groups.

The Mineral Way housing development by Coastline opened in June.

The fire-damaged properties on the Fairfields development were finally re-occupied in January.

The Day-light Group has been very active with a wonderful series of events culminating in the lantern parade and associated activities around St Day in March.

The striker for the Clock bell was returned after alteration to a create a better tone.

The St Day Old Church Community Interest Company will take possession of the building in April to convert it to a summer events location, an exciting initiative to benefit the whole of the area.

Strong representations have been made to both County and the Electoral Divisions Board on our preferred position for the redrawing of County Councillor divisions following the reduction in Councillors from 123 to only 87.

Negotiations continue on the provision of a modern doctors' surgery facility on Telegraph Hill.

The Remembrance Day Service at the Clock Tower was well-attended, it was especially pleasing to see the St Day AFC junior teams present in their kit.

The Christmas Light Committee after very many years of illuminating St Day has decided to let others take over the role and we are seeking volunteers for Christmas 2018 to help light our village.

The Council considered 29 full planning applications. A number of possible breaches were identified to the County Planning department.

The roofs for the Teenage Village have been renovated as well as a new rubbish bin installed.

Three benches have been sited thanks to donations, two outside the Clock Tower and one at Wheal Jewell playing area.

The Minor Works Group has re-commenced now the weather is less inclement with some renovations around the area – more helpers are needed to improve the appearance of our Parish.

The Council have made representations on the proposed Scorrier crossroads plan to provide alternative solutions to the Highways Plan.

Adjoining parishes were alerted to coppicing activity at Unity Woods, which are just outside our Parish, and representations made by the PC to the Landowner voicing concern.

Four litter picks round the village have been organised.

You have identified the projects on which you wish donated funds to be used: The Old Church, Vehicle Activated Speed Cameras, Illuminating the Clock Tower and provision of an additional Automated External Defibrillator. It is possible further funds will be available to support the Xmas lights.

The issue of the old transformer site in Telegraph Street continues to be pursued.

The swings have been replaced at the rugby field at Parish Council insistence.

Repairs to the footpath bridge by Pinks Moors and resurfacing in Bunts Lane have been carried out at Parish Council request.

A new Mobile Communications mast is now operational on the Vogue playing fields.

Automated External Defibrillator Training took place for members of the public in February.

Geothermal Energy have commenced work on developing hot-rock power generation at United Downs.

The Speedwatch group have carried out numerous checks on the B3298 and at Vogue.

The Parish Council continues to fund various activities in the Parish: Street Cleaning, public use of the Toilets in the Community Centre, grass cutting in the Churchyard and Burial Ground, trimming of footpaths, weed spraying, the gardens at Buckingham Terrace and Town Clock as well as the flower bed by the Old Church, Vogue Terrace, etc. and maintains the Skateboard and Teenage Village. It finances the St. Day in Bloom contest, and also makes contributions to various groups, which benefit the parish. The Council has been represented on the Mining Villages Regeneration Group, the Community Area Network, the Historic Churchyards Group, the Police Liaison group, United Downs reclamation liaison committee, Geothermal Energy liaison committee  and members have attended various conferences. The websites for the Trails and the Historic Churchyards organised through the Mining Villages Group attract thousands of visits and it is hoped that some of these people will visit the area.

We must thank all concerned with the production and distribution of the Newsletter, now published by the Parish Council. It is regrettable that local groups do not make more use of it to promote their activities.

A Mother & Toddler Group has been set up thanks to an initiative from local parents and supported by a grant from the Parish Council.

Parked vehicles continue to pose a problem, especially for buses.

Speeding and dog fouling are also major issues which are under review to alleviate the incidence. A reduction in the numbers speeding at Vogue has been noted.

Special thanks are due to our Clerk who is retiring in September after many years of outstanding service.

Our Cornwall Councillor continues to provide support on issues affecting the Parish and his Division.

Chris Bell