

Petrockstowe Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual General meeting held in the Baxter Hall on Tuesday 17th May 2011 at 8pm

Councillors Present: Cllr W Luxton, Cllr I Fisher, Cllr J Harris, Cllr D Kelsey,

Clerk Mrs Harris, 6 members of the public.

16 **Apologies:** received from District Councillor P Collins, PCSO M Baker.

17 **Minutes:** The minutes of 15th March and 19th April 2011 having been previously circulated, were a
Approved and signed as correct record. All agreed.

18 **PUBLIC SESSION.**

- 1) Mr A Cox from Giffords Hill asked if he could attend the meeting to discuss the Clay Company Imerys site at Meeth. He had attended a meeting with Meeth's council. Who wrote to Imerys a copy of the letter received on file asked our councillors if they had ever had consultations with Imerys. *No contacts with the councils on the restoration work from 2007 to 2010 with upkeep for 5yrs after that. The site is still owned by Imerys. Selco use site for storage of clay from the Marland Works . Mr Cox has asked Imerys for a copy of the lease. Access to the wild life trust site on the Petrockstowe road was discussed as the gates are kept locked. Mr Cox asked for questions which were answered if possible.*
- 2) Mr Pink asked could he put up some Keep Britain tidy Dog fouling Posters around the area. No objections were received.
- 3) Mr R Horwood brought up about dogs on leads, the ruling that all dogs should be kept on leads From Torridge is still under a consultation period. as he had been nearly bitten by a dog. Of a lead recently.

19 **Election of officers**

The position of Chairman: Cllr Luxton was proposed by Cllr Hunkin seconded by Cllr D Kelsey

All agreed . The position of Vice Chair: Cllr I Fisher was proposed by Cllr D Kelsey seconded
by Cllr J Harris. All agreed.

Cllr Hunkin was co-opted back on the council; his application was no-t received by Torridge in time
for inclusion in the election.

20 **Financial Matters:**

- a) The internal auditor Mr S Raine spoke about the audit return, was concerned that the council were claiming vat for the Recreation ground, has asked the council contact Lesley Smith DALC. To get information on if this is the correct procedure. Or if the council have to own the assets, to claim VAT back. Small error in the accounts of 34p as TDC had underpaid on the precept after deducting the DALC subscription.

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He included a report to attach to the audit report.

- b) Audit form completed and signed by Chairman
- c) To approve payment for the annual insurance from 1-6-2011- to May 31st 2012 of £459-33
Cheque signed by Chairman and Clerk No 188. All agreed
- d) To approve payment to internal auditor S Raine of £40-00 Cheque No 189 signed by clerk and Chairman all agreed
- e) To approve payment for the Recreation ground lease for 2010 and 2011 to Lord J Burnett of £2-00 Cheque no 190 signed by Chairman and clerk. All agreed.
- f) It was proposed that Cllr Fisher should be a signatory in place of P Vogel who has retired. all agreed.
- g) Play area Clerk to contact C Hanson on the funds for the Playarea as some urgent repairs needed or will have to be closed. Contact W Askew to see who does Merton repairs of their playarea.

21 Planning application

1 Planning for Mr G Phillips Harliegh Petrockstowe Okehampton at No 1 Northtown

No/1/0450/2011/FUL Construction of extension and associated works and formation of access
Too have off road parking. No objections all agreed.

2) Colonel & Mrs Blackman the Old Forge at Brandise Hill Petrockstowe /0430/20110FUL

A Two Storey Side extension. All Agreed

3 The application for Butstone Farm has been withdrawn.

22 Any other business

- 1) It was brought to the attention of the council that the Maple tree that was planted as part of plant a tree year at Oaklands has been cut off: councillors would like any information on what has happened to this tree.
- 2) £252 has been collected on the sale of the dishes at the Royal Wedding celebrations. A draw and quiz were also organised. Monies raised going to the purchase of a bench to be put at the recreation ground with a plaque fitted. Royal wedding of William and Kate.
- 3) No more business meeting closed at 9-50pm

Chairman.....Date 19th July...2011.....