#### PILLATON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 6/10/ 2020

ATTENDANCE Clirs. Dolley, D. Floyd, S. Floyd, Warne, and Bridgman.

The Chairman explained to the meeting the anti Covid rules in place.

**APOLOGIES**. County Councillor Adam Sturtridge.

# **COOPTION OF NEW COUNCILLORS**

Following a ballot Mr I. Bunkum and Mr G. Moore were co-opted as Councillors.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

There were eight members of the public present.

Mr Edwards accused the Council of failing to have drains cleared, not having the roads swept, failing to seek the cooperation of the farmer from whose fields water was draining (all of which lead to flooding at the top of the Village), printing false minutes and coercion by the Chairman. It was explained to Mr Edwards that he was incorrect in his assumptions and that all members of the public could inform Highways of blocked drains.

Concern was expressed from the floor that any attempt by Cornwall Highways to prevent a recurrence of flooding at the top of the Village must not result in creating a problem further down the Village. The Chair assured the public that the Parish Council were aware of the danger of transferring the problem and would work closely with Cornwall Highways in any alleviation of flooding works.

#### **ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Cllr Warne was unanimously elected as vice chair.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** none.

## **MINUTES**

The Minutes of previous virtual meetings were accepted unanimously.

#### MATTERS ARISING

none.

### **DEFIBRILATOR**

The Council agreed to take over the guardian role of the defibrillator and Cllrs Warne and Bunkum kindly offered to carry out the necessary checks.

#### **PLAY PARK**

- a) The Council agreed to place an order with Wicksteed Ltd in the sum of £13,360.19(net of VAT) to be paid £11,029.44 from the Howton Solar farm grant and £2,330.75 from funds held by the Council.
- b) The Council agreed to place an order with Andrew Inglefield in the sum of £970.56 for safety matting to be paid from the Howton Solar farm grant.

## **PLANNING PERMISSION**

Planning; PA20/06886 Conversion of barn into residential unit at Briston Orchard for Mr. B. Mills was approved by the Council.

## LETTERS OF COMPLAINT FROM Mr I EDWARDS

The Council noted Mr Edwards's allegations of the Council contributing to flooding, making a false statement, coercion, concealment, deceit and mal practice. The Council agreed a written response to Mr Edwards refuting the allegations.

#### **FINANCE**

The meeting approved a payment of £239.30 to Andrew Inglefield for repair of play equipment.

# **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Clerk was requested to a) ask Cornwall Highways to maintain the verge and trees at Briars Ryn, b) to check the salt bins, c) to suggest to the Village Hall Committee the moving of trees from the bottom of the playing field and d) to contact

the County Councillor with a view to examine overhanging trees in the local lanes. Cllr Bridgman kindly offered to assist the County Councillor in any such examination.
Chairman Mr. Dolley