

DAVIDSTOW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES – Tuesday 2nd May 2023

1. **Present:** Councillors; J. Dowton, P Potter, M Wakefield, W Kingdon, T. Steed
2. **Members of the public:**
3. **Declarations of interest** – None
4. **Minutes** of meeting held 6th March 2023 approved and signed.
April meeting cancelled.
5. **Matters Arising –**
 - 5.1. Mrs Colman thanked the PC for their help in sorting out the issues with farm water cut off during solar farm construction.
 - 5.2. The litter pick arranged by Saputo took place with staff members and two members of the parish. Councillor Potter was also in attendance. It was successful and another will be arranged soon.
6. **Planning** – None
The PC understood we might have seen the planning application for wind turbines following the public viewing of the proposal at Otterham. It appears four turbines are sited with the parish. JD and PP attended.
7. **Finance**
 - 7.1. The cheque for the Remembrance Sunday wreath was not cashed. We will attempt to make sure they receive the payment of £30.
 - 7.2. **Hire of hall** – Six meetings held at £10 per meeting and a contribution of £10 towards the use of the buildings for Coronation mug distribution. Cheque agreed for £60.
8. **Correspondence.**
 - 8.1. Bus Shelter Tremail – Correspondence received from Mrs Merrick raising the condition of the bus shelter. It was agreed the shelter needs repainting and the area around it requires a general tidy up.
 - 8.2. The phone box at Tremail also requires a new light bulb and a clean. It was agreed contact should be made with Mr Tippet to give an estimate for the work required on this and the bus shelter works.

8.3. Letter received from Mr Gill wishing the PC to take a lead in addressing the issues of litter and plastic silage wrap (photographs supplied). Mr Gill sees the opportunity for the PC to initiate a campaign of reducing general litter including farming waste via a program of communication.

The Parish Council are aware of Recycling Schemes for farming waste preventing it from going to landfill. However, there will be Waste Management Regulations to adhere to. The Chair understood the PC would require waste transfer notes showing lawful disposal. The PC will investigate disposal further. In the meantime, the parish council would like Mr Gill to provide some more detail as to where the silage wrap was seen to enable them to try and locate the offenders.

8.4. The Chair and Councillor Potter have received correspondence from Mrs Evans suggesting alleged failures to register “declarable pecuniary interests” disqualifying them from representing those impacted by ongoing issues at Saputo. She has also asked for a conversation to discuss a handover of responsibilities of liaison with Saputo.

The chair has written to Mrs Evans for information identifying what has brought her to this conclusion.

For the record there are no councillors with declarable interests relating to Saputo. The Parish Council will continue to represent the parish at regular meetings with Saputo and the Environment Agency.

9. Other business

9.1 Kings Coronation - May 6th – Distribution of the mugs with take place on Monday 8th between 10 – 12 at the RAF Davidstow Moor Museum.

9.2. The Notice Board keyhole at Tremail has been damage by someone putting some substance in it. It needs repair.

9.3. School Hill – Grit Box. Check the cost of filling.

10. Date of next meeting - TBC