

THE PARISH OF CONSTANTINE

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of the Parish of Constantine held on Thursday May 21, 2009 at 7.00pm in The Vestry, Constantine. The Chairman of Constantine Parish Council, Cllr P.C.Carter, presiding.

Present: Cllr Bolt, Cllr Boote, Cllr Just, Cllr Reynolds, Cllr Williams, CCCllr Hatton, Mrs Cooper (Cornwall Head of Localism), Mr Kent and Mr Lambert and Mr Chapman (Clerk)

The Chairman welcomed all those present to the meeting.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Cavanagh, Cllr Cummins, Cllr Nicholls, Cllr Reynolds, Cllr Wiseman, PC Cook and PCSO Huddlestone.

2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MAY 22, 2008

The Minutes, having been previously circulated and agreed for accuracy at the meeting of June 12, 2008, were signed by the Chairman.

3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Opening his annual report, Cllr Carter reported that he had much enjoyed his year as Chairman and thanked fellow Councillors for the work they have done in the course of the last twelve months, mentioning in particular, Cllr Nicholls, Cllr Wiseman and Cllr Boote, who, on occasions, have stood in for him as Chairman. He continued by saying that

- the end of March had seen the demise of the five District Councils. Together with his wife (and as Constantine Parish Council's representative) he had attended Kerrier District Council's final Civic Service at St Keverne and final Civic Dinner at the Penventon Hotel
- April had seen the advent of the new unitary Cornwall Council. The Parish Council must now learn to work with its members and officers
- thanks are due to CCCllr Hatton and to KDCllr Sadler who had both worked hard on behalf of the Parish and who had been such good ambassadors for Constantine in their respective Councils
- a public meeting in September 2008 called jointly with the police, had resolved to address problems relating to an absence of activities in the village for young people. Cllr Just has since worked tirelessly (and seemingly without public recognition) to create a Youth Club in the village. It is to be hoped that during the course of the coming year his efforts will be rewarded
- on Remembrance Sunday he and Cllr Nicholls had laid a poppy wreath on behalf of the Parish Council on the village War Memorial. He had taken great pride in this act
- at Christmas the Parish Council had provided money for trees and lights and, largely thanks to the efforts of Cllr Wiseman and his helpers, the village had once again looked very pretty
- during the course of the year a new springer has been provided in the children's play area; a disabled access ramp to the Social Club has been constructed; observations have been made on forty-six planning applications; considerable progress has been made towards extending the car-park; and, on an unsavoury note, the Vestry has been burgled twice. All in all the Parish Council appears to be working well and he felt it had been a successful twelve months.

Speaking for members of Constantine Parish Council, Cllr Gray thanked the Chairman for all he has done during the course of the year on the Parish Council's behalf.

Speaking on behalf both of himself and Rex Sadler, CCCllr Hatton thanked the Chairman for his kind words and wished him good luck at the Royal Cornwall Show.

4 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman asked if members of the public had any questions concerning the business of the Council.

There were no questions.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.15 p.m.

Agreed for accuracy at the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on June 18, 2009

Chairman

Formally adopted at the Annual Parish Meeting on May 20, 2010

Chairman