St Stephens Residents Association

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Public Meeting Minutes

Friday 15th September 2017

The Chairman Val Bugden Cawsey welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies: Andy Wood, Andy Spargo, Tracey and David Ivell, Bob and Wilma Cawsey, Sue and John Fraser,, John and Rosemary Russell, Oliver Scott, Pauline and Graham Chester, Father David, Phil Sleeman, Paul Newman, Brian and Gloria Laseby

The draft Minutes of the last meeting had been put on the website. It was hoped everyone had read them.

Matters Arising: At the May meeting Val had asked for help

- a) For a Social Secretary
- b) For a small working party to move the Traffic Survey forward with the County Council and the Town Council

Very disappointingly there had been no offers of help. There was one offer of help at tonights meeting but this was not sufficient to form a working party.

Undeterred Val had taken the Traffic Survey forward and presented it to the Town Council and Cornwall County Council and to our North Cornwall MP Scott Mann.

The Public Protection Arm of Cornwall Council have taken an air quality survey of Newport Square and St Thomas Road area. The 5 point survey showed the area exceeded the recommended level of air quality, similar to Camelford. The results of this survey were to be sent to DEFRA and Cornwall County Council. Val had requested that the survey should include St Stephens Hill and Roydon Road.

There will be a public consultation meeting in the Town Hall on 21st
September when residents are invited to learn more about the proposals of
Cornwall County Council in respect of air quality.

On the 8th November there will be a drop in session between 3pm and 7pm in the Town Hall when we will be able to see the air quality report. This will be advertised online and in local newspapers. A figure of 6 or more is serious.

This will help our traffic survey.

Our local MP Scott Mann, has been advised by Val of the traffic survey and the air quality survey.

We NEED a North/South bypass and a ban on anything larger than 7 and a half ton trucks going through Newport. The Council will need to work with both Cornwall and Devon Councils as the majority of the vehicles causing our problems are on their way to North Devon.

Treasurers Report was unavailable owing to a family crisis with the Treasurer.

The AGM will be on Friday 20th October at 7pm at St Stephens Church Hall Nominations for Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Committee Members to Val @: val@kernowmail.co.uk by 13th October.

The agenda will be circulated before the meeting and put in the notice boards.

AOB Everyone had been very impressed with the quality of the traffic survey.

Volunteers for Committee and Officers and help are needed for the residents association to continue.

Arnolda and Kim Kinvig, Anne Harris and John Conway all volunteered to help with the delivery of fliers.

It was agreed our roads had not been built for the size of the vehicles that now use them. It was felt the speed cushions had not slowed the vehicles in St Stephens Hill. The 20mph on the hill was not enforceable. The noise as vehicles go over the speed cushions at the top of the hill causes a vibration in the neighbouring houses.

Cars going down St Stephens Hill caused many traffic problems lower down the hill. A recent police operation showed 50% of the vehicles going down the hill were local people.

The zig zag lines outside the schools were still being parked on although they were now enforceable.

It was not known if PC Stoppard had installed the black speed box in our area. Val to check.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm