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St Austell Shed Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes of 7th September 2026 10.15am at Trewoon Village Hall

Persons Present: Cllr Vine, Cllr Mrs Jannaway, Ralph Abbott, Richard Hutton, Dave Withe, Alan Leather, Mike Priestley, John Mills.

In attendance: Wendy Yelland & Amanda Kendall.

Apologies: Cllr Williams, Cllr Mrs Gudge & Cllr Spencer.

SASSC 01/26 Election of Chair
It was **resolved** Ralph Abbott is Chairman for the municipal year.
Proposed: Ralph Abbott **Seconded:** Alan Leather

SASSC 02/26 Election of Vice-Chair
It was **resolved** Dave Withe is Vice-Chairman for the municipal year.
Proposed: Ralph Abbott **Seconded:** Alan Leather

SASSC 03/26 Public Participation
None.

SASSC 04/26 Trewoon Shed
To approve Terms of Reference for Sub Committee and to consider and resolve adoption.
It was **resolved** to adopt Terms of Reference for St Austell Shed Subcommittee as circulated.
Proposed: John Vine **Seconded:** Dave Withe
It was **resolved** all persons present to form the sub-committee, along with Cllrs Williams, Mrs Gudge & Spencer.
Proposed: Ralph Abbott **Seconded:** John Vine
Update along with budget went through. Priority is removal of asbestos and roof repair.
Asbestos removal including survey is £1,800. scaffolding will be provided free of charge by MM scaffolding.
It was **resolved** to approve asbestos removal at £1,800, and erection of scaffolding free of charge.
Proposed: Alan Leather **Seconded:** Ralph Abbott.
2 quotes obtained for roof repair, this type of work is specialised and only 2 firms have come back with a quote. Alan Leather raised concerns regarding the existing trusses, which appear to have woodworm and the ends of the trusses are rotten. Headroom in the current building varies from 2.4m to 2.2m as concrete floor is sloping, roof appears straight. Therefore, due to foundations will need to put a self-levelling floor on the top of the current pad, but this will then make the headroom less. Want to achieve 2.35m throughout the building. This will become clear how to solve once the asbestos has been removed. Men in Sheds require an open roof inside to then be able to put in rooflights.
Westward Tree Services will clear vegetation free of charge.
It was **resolved** to delegate roof repair to Alan Leather & Mike Priestley, to investigate once asbestos has been removed. To approve waterproof covering up to £1,500, Mike Priestley to fit free of charge. Keep Out signage

required for fencing.
To request Full Council delegate £1,500 from Trewoon Community Fund to cover this additional cost, so it does not impact the £20,000 budget this sub-committee is able to spend.
Proposed: Alan Leather **Seconded:** Ralph Abbott.
Questions: Water meter- agreed to put a sub meter in the shed.
Parking: Imerys will issue a licence for 21m x 24m plot, They require it hard cored and fencing with gate. This will accommodate 40 cars. Clerk (Amanda) is happy to submit a grant application to Awards for All.
It was **resolved** grant application submitted for the full amount. Fencing for whole area, Wendy to find out spec. of fencing, to enquire if post and wire will be sufficient.
Proposed Ralph Abbott **seconded** Dave Withe.
Query whether waste can be pushed into a bund.
Need an Ecology Survey, Cllr Vine will speak to some consultants.
Additional land- Ocean land; it was felt this would be useful for storage containers.

SASSC 05/26 St Austell Shed Committee Members
Set of plans circulated. Site plan circulated. Need to move existing field access and fence line. Men in Sheds need a Topographical Survey, Ralph Abbott is currently sourcing this.
Plans went through and explained.
Men in Sheds would like to go for Full Planning for both Phase 1 & 2 at the same time. Ideally, would like to build small toilet extension as part of Phase 1, if funds allow. This will go to Full Council on Wednesday to consider in principle additional land for Men in Sheds, to facilitate Phase 1 & 2. Permitted Development would cover up to 200 cubic metres maximum height 4m.
It was **resolved** following Full Council on Wednesday, to submit a pre-application to Cornwall Council if Parish Council are supportive.
Proposed Dave Withe **seconded** Ralph Abbott.

Questions: Right of Way, draft lease needed for grant applications for Men in Sheds, Licence for Shed Group to do the works, is this needed?
Need to follow CDM Regulations, there has to be a principal contractor, and HSE need to be informed. This is just for the roof as it involves different contractors. Other services are fine as they are coming in one at a time. Mike Priestley will look in to this and there is a cost.
Cllr Vine thanked Westward Roofing Services (Mike Priestley) for his help and input.

SASSC 06/26 Correspondence received up to the time of meeting.
None

SASSC 07/26 items for next Agenda
TBA once asbestos has been removed and Mike Priestley has revised quote for roof.

SASSC 08/26 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960
To **RESOLVE** that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable that the press and public be excluded and are instructed to withdraw during the discussion of the following item.
None

SASSC 09/26 Confidential Item
None

Meeting closed 12.26pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....