



DRAFT MINUTES of the MEETING of LEZANT PARISH COUNCIL held at TREBULLETT METHODIST CHURCH HALL on TUESDAY 08 NOVEMBER 2022 at 7:30PM.

Present: Cllr(s): Peter J Cairns; Julie Dinnis; Val Hill (Chairperson); Tim Minson;

Ian Nash; Steve Simmons; Irene Wood

In attendance: Sam Inman (Clerk); 6 members of the public

Item No		Action by
22.129	Apologies for absence: Cllr(s): Neil Burden; Godfrey Holter; Tom Unwin	-
22.130	Declarations of Interest: None declared	-
22.131	Representations from the Public: A member of the public spoke in their previous capacity as the Chairman of the Lezant Neighbourhood Development Plan. They had attended to help clarify issues that had been raised by Councillors relating to the plan. It was explained that, in general terms, there were certain things that 'had' to be done whilst others were 'nice' to have. The aim of the design guide/ checklist was to let everyone know what was going to happen. If utilised, it was hoped that the checklist would make the applicant consider things in more detail and give information to the Parish Council which would enable Councillors to ask relevant questions regarding the application. It was mentioned that without the design guide being completed, along with the provision of a clear visual representation of the build it was hard to know what Councillors were expected to approve. The resident also wanted to mention that the wooden structure surrounding the Butter Well at Lower Larrick had fallen into disrepair. They wondered whether some rag slate might be donated by residents to repair the roof. The clerk was asked to put a notice in the Parish Magazine asking if residents had any spare slate that could be used. The clerk was also asked to contact Cornwall Council to see if there was any assistance available, as it was likely they would be responsible for it. Four members of the public were in attendance to discuss PA22/09712. They wished to raise a number of issues regarding the application which included: the hedge in question was ancient (over 30 years old) and as such it would not be possible to simply reinstate it; access was already available, therefore the request to remove the hedge was unnecessary. Residents had been assured a forklift would be used for the rear access. It was also suggested that a crane could also be used to avoid damage to the hedge.	Clerk





	(It was proposed by Cllr Nash and seconded by Cllr Cairns and RESOLVED that item PA22/09712 be brought forward.)	
22.132	Planning: (a) To consider a response to consultation by the Planning Authority on the following planning application(s): Application PA22/09712. Proposal hedgerow removal notice for: section of hedgerow to be removed temporarily to allow access for construction works, to be reinstated upon completion. Land south west of Trevale, Rezare.	
	After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Minson, seconded by Cllr Wood and RESOLVED that the clerk should respond to the Planning Authority (Cornwall Council) stating that the Members of Lezant Parish Council strongly objected to the application on the following grounds:	Clerk
	i) The hedgerow was over 30 years old and as such it would not be possible to reinstate it to its original form. Any reinstated hedge would not resemble the original ii) The site had been over developed and the access issues were a result of the applicant's own design iii) There was already right of access to the site from the lane, therefore the request is superfluous iv) Supporting the views that have been brought to the attention of Lezant Parish Council by residents regarding the application. A small delegation of parishioners from Rezare actually attended Lezant Parish Council's most recent meeting to object	
22.133	Cornwall Councillor's Report. Cllr Parsons sent his apologies. He was attending the meeting of another Parish Council in the division. The clerk had circulated his report prior to the meeting. No questions were raised regarding the report.	-
22.134	Confirmation of the Minutes. It was proposed by Cllr Dinnis, seconded by Cllr Nash and RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2022 should be approved and signed by the Chair.	-
22.135	 Matters arising from the Previous Meeting (for report only): It was noted the waste bin at Trebullett had been removed. It was noted the clerk had purchased the new Parish Council laptop and was in the process of moving over records. The clerk confirmed it would be up and running for the next meeting. 	-
22.136	Playground Equipment & Maintenance To agree any action/ associated costs. Monthly Safety Inspection Report of Play Areas: The Chair reported that CORMAC had completed the annual safety inspection at Trebullett play area and Jubilee Field. The report was due shortly and would be circulated to all Councillors prior to the next meeting.	Clerk





	It was noted that the gate bolt was missing on the bottom gate at Jubilee Field. The clerk was looking into who currently had it. A new bolt may need to be purchased and fitted.	Clerk
	Cllr Nash reported that Jubilee Field had been inspected and there were no new issues to report.	
	Cllr Cairns reported that there was a problem closing/ fastening the large access gate at Trebullett play area. Cllr Cairns volunteered to look into the issue further. The Clerk had purchased a new larger 'use at own risk' sign which Cllr Cairns would also put up at the site.	PJC
22.137	To Consider Plans for the King's Coronation To agree any action/ associated costs Councillors discussed options and considered the best day for an event to be held. It was noted that it might be prudent to avoid the actual day of the Coronation as it was likely that people would be watching the ceremony. Carry forward to 13.12.22.	-
22.138	To Review Footpath and Grass Cutting Contract Details for 2023.	
	Prior to the meeting the clerk had circulated last year's grass cutting contract for Councillors to review. The clerk was asked to clarify details relating to the cutting of the permissive pathway at Treburley. Carried forward to 13.12.22.	Clerk
22.139	Shared Prosperity Fund Expression of Interest To consider possible projects After discussion the clerk was asked to look into whether funding for a wind turbine could be applied for. Carried forward 13.12.22.	Clerk
22.140	Longstones at Greystone Quarry - to consider proposed plans.	
	The clerk had circulated a site plan to all Councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr(s) Hill, Nash, Holter and Wood had attended the meeting with the Quarry and provided an update to Members.	
	It was proposed by Cllr Cairns, seconded by Cllr Wood and RESOLVED that the Longstones be placed at the Quarry's proposed location.	
	It was agreed that the clerk should contact Cornwall Council's Strategic Historic Environment Senior Officer to ask for their input on various issues such as: i) how far apart the stones should be sited; ii) how they were to be placed and secured in the ground; iii) what wording etc. should be on the information board that would sit alongside the stones.	Clerk
	The Chair also noted that the timescale was likely to be 3-6 months and the Quarry were prepared to move a section of the fence if necessary.	





22.141	Plaques for Jubilee Trees — to agree design/ costs/ wording.				
	Prior to the meeting the clerk had sent out examples of slate options. It			Clerk	
22.142	Launceston Community Network Meeting- update on meeting.			_	
	The Chair had attended the meeting and gave an overview which included: a brief account of police incidents and crime statistics in the Launceston area; a discussion on the Cornwall Council proposal to review the Community Network, under which it was proposed that Launceston would merge with Caradon; an update on the Community Network Panel Highways Scheme and funding for the next phase (deadline of 30 November 2022); ongoing issues with Plusha Junction (A30) and the feasibility report; an update on the housing situation in Launceston and the surrounding area; adult social care; an open letter from the Launceston Medical Centre about its services and rectifying issues; warm hubs; an update on Launceston Leisure Centre – local parish councils had been written to asking for financial support and one provider may be interested in taking it on in April 2024.				
22.143	Landscape Character Assessment and AGLV Review -			-	
	Update on meeting.				
	It was noted that Cllr Burden had intended to join the review meeting. Councillors were reminded that the consultation was open to all. The clerk had sent out a link for any Councillors wishing to comment on the review, sharing their own personal experience and local knowledge. Comments must be submitted by Friday 11 November.				
22.144	i.144 Finance: (a) To Approve Financial Statements for Current and Taxi Accounts (b) To Approve Accounts for Payment It was proposed by Cllr Dinnis, seconded by Cllr Simmons and RESOLVED that the accounts were approved for payment.			Clerk	
	08.11.22	Clerk Expenses (Oct 22)	online	£38.53	
	08.11.22	Room Hire Trebullett	online	£20.00	
	08.11.22	Q2 Taxi Grant Transfer	online	£635.00	
	08.11.22	J Sanders (grass cutting 2022)	online	£1560.00	
	08.11.22	F Knight (wreath)	online	£18.00	
	08.11.22	P Knight (footpaths 2022)	online	£600.00	
	08.11.22	P Knight (War Memorial hedge cutting)	online	£300.00	
	08.11.22	M Harris (Oct 22 Taxi Sheets)	chq 380	£44.00	
	08.11.22	R Steinbichl (Oct 22 Taxi Sheets)	chq 381	£48.00	





	(c) To Formally Adopt the Latest Register of Delegated Decisions – expenses related to new laptop and top soil. It was proposed by Cllr Dinnis, seconded by Cllr Simmons and RESOLVED that the latest register of delegated decisions be adopted.	-
22.132 (cont)	Planning Section Continued:	
	 (b) Any other consultations received. To report, for information only, any planning applications and/or pre application planning submissions advised prior to the evening of the meeting. No other consultations had been received. 	
	(c) Status of previous applications. To report decisions of the planning authority for Lezant Parish received prior to the meeting: No decisions to report.	
	(d) Response from Cornwall Council Planning Department – to provide any update on request for meeting and comments on NDP design guide	
	The clerk had written to the planning department to ask if a meeting might be possible to discuss the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) and concerns over the design guide not being completed. Cornwall Council responded stating online meetings were held once a month for groups to discuss issues regarding NDP's. They suggested that it was good practice for a Parish Council to monitor how their policies were performing. The next round of meetings would be held in December. They emailed an application form to be completed prior to the meeting, which would enable officers to prepare in advance. Once they were clear on what discussions would cover any other Planning Officers could be invited to join, if necessary.	
	After discussion, it was agreed that the clerk should arrange the online meeting and liaise with Councillors regarding timings. The clerk explained that 4 people could attend. Cllr(s) Cairns and Minson expressed an interest and it was also suggested the previous Chairman of the Lezant NDP also be invited.	Clerk
22.145	Highways - to agree actions and expenditure on any issues arising on the roads.	
	(a) Response from CORMAC Regarding Schedule of Work on Proposed Pedestrian Crossing at Treburley	
	A response from CORMAC had been circulated prior to the meeting. It stated that the island was still intended for construction this financial year. CORMAC anticipated that physically taking place around February-March 2023, which would avoid the embargo periods on this busy route.	
	The clerk had emailed the Highways Manager to ask why it was not considered a Community Network Project.	





	(b) Update on Meeting Regarding Issue of Road Signage at Rezare. Cllr(s) Hill, Nash and Wood had attended a site meeting with a representative from CORMAC and other interested residents from Rezare. The Highways Manager had emailed to say he would provide an update on options for December's meeting.	
	(c) Update on Issue with Damaged Verges at Rezare	
	It was reported that work had been completed on the damaged verges by CORMAC. Councillors were informed that the company overseeing the forestry work had also been contacted by the clerk and asked that they make good any damage caused by their vehicles. The company had agreed and also mentioned that they were now using crane lorries which were shorter. They hoped this would enable the drivers to negotiate the turning a little better. It was noted that some additional damage had been caused to a section of the green. The clerk would notify the forestry.	Clerk
22.146	Footpaths – to agree actions and expenditure on any issues arising on the footpath.	
	 (a) To Raise Resident Concern Regarding Short Footpath from Sportmans Close onto the Road Facing the Springer Spaniel. A resident had raised a potential safety issue. The concern was that drivers travelling north and turning off the A388 towards Trebullett may have no knowledge of the virtually concealed path exit from Sportmans Close on to the road facing the Springer Spaniel Pub. Similarly, any pedestrian wanting to cross to the pub had no visual warning of such turning traffic as the exit was situated very close to the junction. It was noted that this footpath currently had a central safety bollard restricting its width as a 'nod' to safety. It had been suggested that as Sportmans Close had its own exit nearly alongside this footpath and this route also included a stretch of pavement that the path in question be blocked off. It was proposed by Cllr Wood, seconded by Cllr Minson and RESOLVED that Cornwall Council be contacted to ask that they block the section of pavement either with a fence or by reinstating the hedge in order to improve safety at the junction. The Chair noted the following: Issues had been logged regarding footpath posts and the clerk was waiting to hear back. The second cutting of the footpaths in the parish had been completed. A contractor was currently looking into the replacement of the permissive pathway corner post. 	Clerk





 (a) Community Network Review: The Future of Cornwall's Area Partnerships - Seeking Views The proposals had been circulated via a link. No further action. (b) Planning Training for Local Councils - Thurs 17 November A link for Cornwall Council's next online planning training had been circulated (Thursday 17 November). It was noted that places did not need to be booked in advanced. 	
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(c) Let Cornwall Decide Parish Councils had been asked to let the 'Let Cornwall Decide' group know if a motion was passed supporting a referendum. Councillors agreed at the October meeting that no further action needed to be taken therefore it was agreed that the clerk should reply stating its previous decision.	rk
22.148 Parish Business	
(a) Larrick Defibrilator – to check any progress. Cllr Simmons was looking into the application further. It was reported that a number of Larrick residents were willing to donate financially towards the defibrillator although some additional funding would still be needed. It was noted that CPR training would be required.	
(b) New Planters at War Memorial – to provide update/ agree any action/ costs. Cllr Cairns would liaise over timings to move the new planters to the site and remove the old. PJO GH	I/TM
(c) Parish Remembrance Sunday Plans – Sunday, 13 November 2022. The hedge had been cut at the War Memorial. Cllr Hill would represent Lezant Parish Council on the day. Cllr Dinnis agreed to attend to help with timings. Cllr Hill volunteered to contact the gentleman playing the last post as a polite reminder.	/ JD
22.149 Any other business brought by members for the next Parish Council Meeting:	
It was reported that there continued to be issues with dog fouling around the lanes of Trebullett. It was agreed that the clerk should purchase 3 signs reminding walkers to pick up after their dog and highlighting the fine.	∘rk
It was noted that the Scarecrows used for the recent half term 'treasure hunt' were still in situ at Treburley. Cllr Wood to speak to the organisers.	
The recent road diversion due to gas works at Lezant had been raised by a resident. It was noted that the road was now open.	
Potholes to be reported at Larrick and Rezare.	rk





Next Parish Council Meeting 13 December 2022. Trebullett Methodist Church Hall

There being no further business to transact the Ch	nairperson closed the meeting at 9.37pm
Signed	Chairperson
Dated	
A copy of these Minutes can be found on the Paris https://www.lezantparish.org.uk/	sh Council website: