MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEZANT PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT LEZANT CHURCH HALL ON TUESDAY 9th JANUARY 2018

Present: Councillors: I Nash, G Holter, P J Cairns, C Ayres, V Hill, J Dinnis, N Burden,

G Scott Clerk

Mrs S Inman (new clerk)

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Oakley.

Cllr Nash welcomed the new clerk, Sam Inman, to the meeting. He also thanked those who had assisted in the shortlisting and interview process. Councillors introduced themselves to her.

18.000 Declarations of Interest. None were made.

18.001 Confirmation of the Minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on 12th December 2017 were approved by all present and signed by the Chairman.

18.002 Matters arising from Previous Meeting.

- Neighbourhood Plan. No further update.
- **Clerk Vacancy.** Samantha Inman has accepted the post and will start on the 1st February.
- Graveyard Grant Treburley & Tregada. The Clerk has received an email from Maureen Jones, the Treasurer of Launceston Area Methodist Circuit. It states that Tregada has not been cut this year as it does not belong to them. Proposed, seconded and agreed to reduce the payment to £50 in view of this.

Clerk

 Playground Maintenance. Cllr Cairns has reviewed the report from DTGS on Trebullett play area by visiting the site. It was agreed to obtain quotes to renew the goalposts, basketball post and hoop, surface and benches. As Cllr Oakley was absent the Jubilee Field play area will be discussed at the next meeting.

Clerk

18.003 Report on last meeting of Launceston Community Network Panel. Moved from agenda item 4. Cllr Nash attended the meeting on 14th December and reported. Presentations were given by the recent beneficiaries of Community Chest Grants. Leader of the Council, Adam Paynter, talked about the budget. The Citizens advice Bureau is probably retaining a reduced grant, details to be finalized in February. There was then a session on Health and the NHS. The next meeting is on 22nd January. Cllr Nash is not able to attend, Cllrs Hill and Dinnis indicated that they would.

VH, JD

18.004 Finance.

- **Current and Taxi Accounts.** The monthly financial statements (circulated prior to the meeting) were approved.
- Accounts for payment were approved as follows:

DTGS Playground Inspections £144.00

Clerk's expenses Dec £42.56

RP Knight LMP 265.00, Hedges etc £199.78, total £464.78

Taxi – A Sizer backdated to 2016 £255.00

Admin 2016/17 £120.00

Admin 2017/18 £120.00

Data protection renewal £35.00

Toilet cleaning Oct-Dec £97.50

Cllr G Holter expenses £18.78

18.005 Planning

- PA17/11948 D J Watkins, Land North of Penscombe. Proposed variation of floor plan. Proposed, seconded and agreed to support.
- Any other Consultations received. None
- Status of previous applications. Planning approval has been granted for Mr & Mrs Parnell, 1 Treburley Close and Mr & Mrs Basire, Land at Lezant.

18.006 Highways.

Clerk

- Potholes reported between Treburley and Rezare.
- Cllr Burden raised concerns about the possible closure of the Greystone Quarry road.

18.007 Footpaths. The footpath contractor has submitted his annual report on the condition of the footpaths, eg broken marker posts and stiles. Clerk to write again to Chris Monk, footpath officer, to ask if he can at least supply materials.

Clerk

18.008 Correspondence.

None.

18.009 Parish Business

The Meeting closed at 8:40pm.

- Any other Business Brought by Members.
- Cllr Hill reported that the car dumped at Little Comfort has been removed. The
 drains on the hill down to Little Comfort have been cleared which has reduced
 surface water.
- Cllr Holter has put up the pedestrian only signs at each end of the permissive path in Treburley. The Chairman thanked him for that and other odd jobs.

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- Cllr Scott reported that the concrete edging at Lowley Bridge is trapping water and the road is being undermined.
- Cllr Burden asked when the Parish Newsletter will be published again. R
 Petch will be starting in March. He is concerned that several hedges in the
 parish are still not trimmed despite the end of February fast approaching. The
 newsletter is our only way of notifying residents of their obligations.

18.010 Date of next meeting Tuesday 13th February 2018, 7:30pm at Lezant Church Room.

Signed :	Chairman	Date:	