

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEZANT PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON TUESDAY 13th OCTOBER 2020.  
DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS THE MEETING WAS HELD ONLINE USING THE VIDEO  
CONFERENCING SYSTEM MICROSOFT TEAMS**

**Present:** Councillors: C Ayres, J Dinnis, G Holter, I Nash, G Scott, P J Cairns, A Armstrong Evans, N Burden  
**Clerk:** Mrs S Inman

**Members of the public:** 1

No comments from the public were made.

Apologies for absence: Cllr V Hill

The Chairman informed Councillors that Cllr Hill was currently in hospital. **The Clerk was asked to email sending their best wishes.** Clerk

**20.081 Declarations of Interest.** Cllr Nash PA20/03517 (*item 20.087*).

**20.082 Confirmation of the Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> of September 2020 were approved by all present and will be signed by the Chairman at the earliest opportunity.

**20.083 Matters arising from the Previous Meeting:**

- Councillor Vacancy. No applicants to date. Clerk to re-advertise.
- Playground Maintenance – *and considering the opening of play areas.*  
Councillors discussed whether the play areas with equipment could be opened in line with government guidance. The Clerk updated Councillors on Zurich's response to Lezant PC's request for advice. Zurich do not have any specific guidelines or recommendations for the re-opening of facilities as governments guidelines take precedent. If Lezant PC agreed to open any facilities to the public a fresh risk assessment would need to be conducted. The Chairman had liaised with Trekenner School over its possible usage of equipment on the Jubilee Field. If given the opportunity, the school would make use of the equipment following the appropriate school guidelines/ protocols. **All Councillors agreed that Trekenner School could use the play equipment under school supervision. The clerk to inform the school. All Councillors agreed that the play areas (with equipment) at Trebullett and Jubilee Field should remain closed to members of the public for the time being.** Clerk
- To Consider Opening the Toilets at the Jubilee Field. Councillors discussed whether the toilets could be opened safely and in line with government advice. **It was resolved the toilets should remain closed at this time.**
- To Consider Opening of the Book Swap at Trekenner Phone Box. The clerk reported that the resident who oversaw the Book Swap had emailed suggesting the following procedures: 1) a clear plastic lidded box would be labelled for people to leave books; 2) a notice asking people to sanitise their hands before and after handling books would be displayed (a hand sanitiser would be provided); 3) all books donated would be wiped down by the volunteer; 4) the volunteer would wear gloves which would be disposed of once finished handling the books. Councillors agreed the procedures were appropriate and agreed it should be opened. **The clerk to inform the volunteer of the decision.** Clerk
- Registering of Caution (CT1) – *update on returned payment.* The clerk reported the only guidance received was to consider legal advice to see if a legal interest could be proven. **The clerk was asked to contact CORMAC to see if any additional information could be obtained.** Clerk

**20.084 Launceston Community Network Meeting Update.** Cllr Burden updated Councillors on the recent meeting and noted that the climate change group was moving forward with a number of excellent people. SpeedWatch had been successful and was currently looking for volunteers and at Newport, in Launceston, two new bridges would be constructed.

**20.085 On Line Parish Council Meetings - to consider whether to continue with on line meetings as recommended by NALC.** The clerk reported there was no prohibition on holding a physical council meeting, however, CALCs strong recommendation was that face to face meetings should only take place if essential. NALC'S position was that all councils continued to meet remotely. **All agreed that meetings should continue to be online (using Microsoft Teams).**

#### **20.086 Finance:**

- Approval of financial statements for Current and Taxi Accounts
- **The following invoices were approved for payment:** **Clerk**
  - (online) Clerk expenses £42.75
  - (online) J Braunton (cleaning) £113.36
  - (chq 339) M Harris Sept Taxi Payment £76
  - (online) M Nolan Aug Taxi Payment £56
  - (online) M Nolan Sept Taxi Payment £80
  - (online) P Knight (cutting of footpaths) £580
- Approval of Tree Maintenance Costs at Trekenner & Rezare. **Clerk**  
Two quotes had been received at each location. **Councillors agreed to opt for Quote 2 at Trekenner and Rezare:**

Maintenance on tree at Trekenner Quote 2 £130

Maintenance on tree at Rezare Quote 2 £180

Cllr Scott asked to be informed when work would take place at Rezare.

Cllr Burden raised that the three lower branches on the oak tree that had been planted as part of the Silver Jubilee (opposite the War Memorial) needed to be cut back/removed. **The Clerk to organise.** **Clerk**

#### **20.087 Planning** **Clerk**

*(The Chairman, Cllr Nash, left the meeting.)*

In the absence of both the Chairman and Vice Chair, Cllr Ayres chaired the item.

Correspondence Regarding **PA20/03517**. *To agree actions and associated expenses.* All Councillors agreed that any concerns should be dealt with through appropriate procedures and that no further comment would be made at this time.

*(Cllr Nash returned to the meeting.)*

- **Current applications.**  
**PA20/07194.** Variation of condition 2 (plans) of decision PA18/9883 dated 18.12.18. Separation of Barn House and The Tallett to create a new dwelling. Barn House, Trebullett. **The Members of Lezant Parish Council supported the application.**

**PA20/07195.** Listed building consent for works associated with the separation of Barn House and The Tallett (approved application PA18/09884). **The Members of Lezant Parish Council supported the application.**

**PA20/08049.** Proposed two storey rear extension. Trehane Cottage, Trekenner. **The Members of Lezant Parish Council supported the application.**

**PA20/07441.** Proposed general purpose shed. Land east Trewarlett Farm, Lezant. **The Members of Lezant Parish Council were unable to support the application without further clarification over the division of the field which is lined in red on the plans. Councillors also considered the size of the shed to be disproportionate to the application site.**

Any other consultations received (*for information purposes only*). None

Status of previous applications:

PA20/03517. **Approved.** Change of use from a farm dwelling to unrestricted residential dwelling. The Hawthorns, Higher Larrick.

### 20.088 Highways.

- *To note any issues arising on the roads. To include:*  
*Update on Proposed Pedestrian Crossing at Treburley.* CORMAC confirmed it remained on the programme. It was a Year 3 scheme and would have been started in April 2020, however due to the Covid situation the design work had been delayed.

*Condition of Tree at Treburley (opposite Springer Spaniel).* CORMAC confirmed the tree at Treburley had been inspected on 21.09.20. The Tree Inspector had advised that the tree would need either felling or pollarding. The opinion was that it should be re-pollarded in the first instance to see if it responded. At the same time CORMAC suggested replanting one or two new trees. Further details to follow.

It was noted that the new signpost at Trekenner green was now in situ.

**Pothole noted on the road from Trebullett to Larrick.**

**The clerk was asked to contact CORMAC to ask if there were any plans for the road to be re-surfaced.**

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**Pothole noted on Lezant Hill.**

Clerk

It was noted that CORMAC had recently completed work around signs and culverts in the parish. **The clerk was asked to write and express the council's thanks.**

Clerk

Cllr Burden noted that residents should be reminded of their responsibility to cut hedges alongside roads in the parish.

### 20.089 Footpaths.

- The clerk had been contacted by a resident who stated that on the footpath from old post office Lezant to Tre Pol and Pen farm shop, at end of footpath there was a large dead beach tree adjacent to footpath. The clerk had reported it to Cornwall Council.

CORMAC confirmed it would look into a getting an additional footpath post for FP5 at the lane opposite Moorview FP6. The clerk was waiting to hear when the remaining 3 footpath posts would be in place. A Highways Steward had since been in contact with Cllr Holter to confirm the remaining locations.

The final cut of the footpaths had been completed. The contractor noted the following:

- 1) No footpath sign going down to East Penrest 524/2/1
- 2) Steps have fallen out at Trewarlett 524/12/1
- 3) The footpath sign has not been removed at Penscombe Cross 524/8/1 (this no longer a Footpath)

It was confirmed that:

- 1) The footpath sign was due to be installed.
- 2) Cllr Holter stated that the footpath was passable.
- 3) **The clerk was asked to look into the status of Penscombe Cross footpath.**

Clerk

#### 20.090 Correspondence.

Email from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the Cllr Advocate scheme. It was looking for clerks or councillors to be point of contact between themselves and councillors local area. The clerk to remain the point of contact.

Email regarding the shed at Jubilee Field. Lezant Horticultural Society (LHS) would like to stain it and asked councillors if they had any preference on the colour (brown or green). **All agreed to go with the decision of the LHS.**

Clerk

#### 20.091 Parish Business

War Memorial and Remembrance Day Plans. Cllr Burden confirmed that wreaths would be laid. Waiting on further guidance as to plans.

Issue with Reported Dog Fouling on the Jubilee Field. **The clerk was asked to put a notice in the magazine and on the Lezant Facebook page reminding residents that dogs were not permitted on the Jubilee Field.**

Clerk

Cllr Nash noted that with regards to the proposed wildflower area at Trekenner green a box had been put up for seeds to be donated. Positive comments had been passed on regarding the wildflower area and a number of bulbs/ seeds had already been donated.

Any other business brought by members for the next Parish Council Meeting: None.

**20.092 Date of next meeting** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020, 7:30pm to be held online using Microsoft Teams.

The Meeting closed at 20:59 pm.

Signed :

Chairman

Date: