

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEZANT PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT LEZANT CHURCH HALL ON TUESDAY 10th DECEMBER 2019**

Present: Councillors, A Armstrong Evans, C Ayres, N Burden, P J Cairns, J Dinnis, V Hill, G Holter, G Scott

Clerk: Mrs S Inman

Members of the public: 1

Apologies for absence: T Malcolm, I Nash

(In the absence of the Chairman, Vice Chairman Hill took the meeting.)

19.119 Declarations of Interest. None

19.120 Confirmation of the Minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on 12th of November 2019 were approved by all present and signed by Vice-Chairman Hill.

19.121 Matters arising from Previous Meeting:

- **Neighbourhood Plan.** Ongoing. The issue of common land was discussed by Councillors. **The Clerk was asked to contact CALC regarding advice on the application process for registering a 'caution'.** Clerk
- **Playground Maintenance.** Cllr Cairns had been present at the annual safety inspection at Trebullett play area. He reported that the inspection had been brief and he would have expected more time spent checking the equipment. **Due to other issues in previous years it was agreed that in 2020 the Clerk would contact an alternative provider for a quote.** Cllr Cairns reported that the 'no dogs sign' on the spring gate needed replacing. **The Clerk to purchase a new one.** Clerk
The Clerk was waiting to hear when the new gate will be installed on the playing field and it was suggested that once it is in place a different lock is used on the larger gate in order to encourage people to use the new smaller one.
- **Higher Larrick Phone Box Renovation Update.** The Clerk had contacted the resident at Larrick who stated that their preferred option was for a more thorough renovation process. However, it was appreciated that this came at an increased cost and residents would be grateful for any help to get the job done. The residents understanding was that if LPC was prepared to help pay for the refurbishment the residents would raise money for the defibrillator. **It was resolved that LPC would provide the paint and materials (to the value of £150) but hoped volunteers would help with the renovation work as at Trekener. The Clerk to notify the resident of the decision.** Clerk
- **Climate Change. Launceston CNA Climate Change Working Group.** Cllr(s) Cairns and Armstrong Evans provided an update of the meeting. (Cllr Nash had also been in attendance.) It was noted that CC was working towards it being net zero carbon by 2030. It had been hoped that CC would drive forward ideas, however, the meeting was considered more about groups and individual's sharing ideas and solutions. Areas discussed included installing charging points, solar panels, low energy bulbs and tree planting. It was noted that the Woodland Trust had schemes which offered free trees, however, the issue was finding the right land. The next meeting was scheduled to be on the 9th of January (6pm) prior to the Community Network Meeting.

- **Standing Stones at Greystone Quarry.** The Quarry had located the stones and had offered to relocate them once completed and restored. The Quarry were open to LPC's views regarding positioning. Councillors discussed the size and location of the stones. **It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the county archaeologist and ask for advice and liaise with the quarry.**
- **VE Day 75th Celebrations (8th – 10th May 2020).** The Clerk to continue to look into possible funding. *Carry forward.*

Clerk

19.122 Jubilee Field Trust Meeting. The Annual meeting had been held. Cllrs Hill and Dinnis gave a brief update.

19.123 Finance:

- Approval of financial statements for Current and Taxi Accounts
- **It was resolved to approve the following payments:**
 - (chq 2100) Clerks expenses (November) £40.40
 - (chq 2101) SLCC membership renewal £109
 - (chq 2102) ALCC membership renewal £40
 - (chq 2103) Complete Business Solutions (paper) £11.94
 - (chq 2104) AED Locator Ltd (monitoring at Treburley defib) £78.30
 - (chq 2106) Lezant PCC Room Hire £60
 - (chq 2107) DTGS Ltd Safety Report £168
 - (chq 2108) Andrew Hudson – NDP expenses £56.90
 - (chq 0317) M Harris – Nov Taxi Sheets - £68
 - (chq 0318) R Steinbichl - Nov Taxi Sheets - £48
 - (chq 0319) M Nolan - Nov Taxi Sheets - £28
 - (chq 0320) R Roberts - Nov Taxi Sheets - £116
- Graveyard grants:
 - (chq 2098) Treburley £75
 - (chq 2096) Trebuletts Methodist Church £120
 - (chq 2097) Lezant £200
 - Budget & Precept Approval. All agreed to increase the precept for 2020 by 5% to help manage increasing costs. The rise equates to approx. £1.38 per year.

Clerk

19.124 Planning

- **Current applications: None.**
- Any other consultations received: **None**
- Status of previous applications:
 - **Application PA19/07594.** Conversion/change of use of barn to a dwelling together with the erection of an extension. Land SE of Lower Larrick Farm, Trebuletts. **Approved.**

19.125 Highways.

CC and CORMAC had been in contact regarding changing the signs to be mandatory rather than advisory on the road at Ruses Mill. They are looking into other funding streams that may be available to deliver this on site and asked the Clerk to complete an Expression of Interest form. Cllr Burden reported that recently an ambulance had an issue on the road and the **Clerk was asked to let CC and CORMAC know.** Councillors discussed whether county council's provided any update on roads to 'satnav' providers and it was suggested that representation could be made.

Clerk

Overgrown roadside hedge at Trebuletts. The resident had informed the Chairman that the hedge would be cut at the end of the shooting season (end of February). **The Clerk was asked to write to the resident and remind them that the end of February is the latest time to complete this task so as to cause the least disturbance to wildlife.**

Clerk

The Clerk to notify CC/ CORMAC of the following:

- 1) Request that the road in Trekenner (junction to Pengloss) be scraped and verges reinstated.
- 2) At Trekenner 's-bend' on left hand side round to Treburley there is a pit of water.
- 3) Road from Trebullett to Larrick. Verge needs reinstating/ clearing. Cllr Cairns explained that the road is prone to standing water but if parts of the road could be laid double thickness or raised above the drains this could be avoided (100 yards west of Trebullett). The Clerk to check when the road is likely to be resurfaced.

19.126 Footpaths.

- Cllr Holter reported that he had met with CORMAC regarding the location of the footpath posts.

19.127 Correspondence.

An agent, representing a land owner, in the parish had written to request a meeting with LPC regarding a possible affordable housing scheme. **The Clerk was asked to write stating that the Councillors did not feel a meeting was needed.** It was suggested instead that the land owner liaise directly with the planning department. Should an application subsequently be made the councillors would discuss the matter at this stage.

Clerk

Request to support the Local Electricity Bill. The Bill, if made law, would empower local communities to sell locally generated clean energy directly to local customers. **The Clerk to write a letter supporting the bill.**

Clerk

19.128 Parish Business

Lezant Fibre Broadband Project Update. The project for Lezant village has been successful with all the required funding now in place. The installation timescale should be between 10-12 months.

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

19.129 Date of next meeting Tuesday 14th January 2020, 7:30pm at Lezant Church Room.

The Meeting closed at 20:45 pm.

Signed :

Chairman

Date: