

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEZANT PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2020.
DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS THE MEETING WAS HELD ONLINE USING THE VIDEO
CONFERENCING SYSTEM MICROSOFT TEAMS**

Present: Councillors: C Ayres, J Dinnis, V Hill, G Holter, I Nash
Clerk: Mrs S Inman

Members of the public: None.

Apologies for absence: G Scott, P J Cairns
Absent: A Armstrong Evans, N Burden

20.069 Declarations of Interest. None.

20.070 Confirmation of the Minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on 14th of July 2020 were approved by all present and will be signed by the Chairman at the earliest opportunity.

20.071 Matters arising from Previous Meeting:

- Councillor Vacancy. Some verbal interest was noted but no applicants to date. **Clerk**
Clerk to re-advertise.
- Neighbourhood Plan – *storage of records*. The clerk contacted the archive office and will drop off the NDP records once a slot has been allocated. The Chairman of the NDP has been kept informed. The clerk also confirmed that LPC would still have access to the records once stored. **Clerk**
- 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. It was agreed that additional information should be obtained before a decision was made. **The clerk to contact the insurance company to clarify liability issues, particularly, if residents were able to use the equipment at their own risk. In addition, the Chairman agreed to contact the new Headmaster at Trekenner School to ask his opinion on using the equipment at the Jubilee Field.** Carry forward. **Clerk/IN**
- 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 noted that there had been an increase in new cases and **it was resolved to wait for an additional month to review at the next meeting.** Carry forward. **Clerk**
- To Consider Opening of the Book Swap at Trekenner Phone Box. Councillors were comfortable in principal but asked **the clerk to check with the resident organising the book swap for their views before a final decision was made.** Carry forward. **Clerk**
- Standing Stones at Greystone Quarry – *any update* – No new update.
- Summer Parish Walk – *update on the walk held on Saturday 22nd August 2020*. Cllr Holter stated that it had been well attended with over 20 people taking part. It was agreed to organise the next walk in the spring. **The clerk to raise at February 21 meeting.** **Clerk**
- Registering of Caution (CT1) – *update on returned payment*. It had been previously noted that the payment had been refunded. When questioned, the Land Registry stated that the refund was as a result of insufficient evidence being provided by Lezant PC to prove a legal interest. **The clerk to look into further.** **Clerk**

20.072 Cornwall Council Climate Emergency Development Pre-Submission Report. Comments on the content of the report had been invited as part of a 6 week consultation period (ending on 25.09.20). In addition, a study was being undertaken identifying locations that might be suitable for wind turbines and renewable energy. No further action to be taken.

20.073 Ratification of delegated decisions list. Councillors approved decisions taken under the delegated decision scheme:

- i) Submitting comments on the Launceston Southern Growth Area Plan Consultation. Three points raised 1) safety on the A388, 2) light pollution 3) flooding issues.
- ii) Submitting comments on PA20/06156. Non-material amendment for change of the description to conversion of outbuilding to residential use and erection of detached garage. The Annex Barton, Larrick. Councillors agreed not to support the application due to concerns over the shared access. The application had since been withdrawn

20.074 Finance:

- Approval of financial statements for Current and Taxi Accounts **Clerk**
- **The following invoices were approved for payment:**
 - Clerk Expenses (July) £19.14
 - Clerk Expenses (Aug) £34.67
 - Q1 Transfer Taxi Grant to Taxi Account £635
 - Complete Business Solutions(ink) £71.99
 - R Steinbichl Taxi payment (June) £28
 - M Nolan Taxi Payment (June) £84
 - M Nolan Taxi Payment (July) £52
 - M Harris Taxi Payment (July) £56
 - M Harris Taxi Payment (Aug) £56
- Approval of Tree & Shrub Maintenance Costs at Trekenner, Rezare & Trebullett. It was noted that checks were being made as to whether any Tree Preservation Orders or restrictions were in place and that work would take place after leaf fall.
 - Cutting back of the shrubs at Trebullett playing field (Quote £150). Councillors approved the costs. **The clerk to notify the contractor.** **Clerk**
 - Maintenance on the trees at Trekenner and Rezare. In his absence Cllr Scott had asked the clerk to raise that he had spoken to some residents at Rezare and they would prefer not more than 6ft be cut off the lower branches and limited work on the crown. Councillors discussed the quotes received and agreed that further information should be obtained (by a tree surgeon) in order to make sure any work undertaken would not damage the trees. **Cllr Holter volunteered to contact a tree surgeon and the clerk was asked to speak with one of the contractors to check the credentials of those completing the work.** **Clerk/ GH**
- Approval of Annual Safety Inspection Quote for 2020. Councillors agreed the clerk could contact CORMAC to complete the annual safety inspection for Trebullett and Jubilee Field. Cost of £185.62 (+VAT) **Clerk**
- Approval of Clerk's Annual Pay Rise & Leave Entitlement. Councillors approved the annual pay rise recommended by NALC (2.75%, to be backdated to April 1st).
- Approval of the Annual Grant for the Lezant Horticultural Society. Councillors approved the annual grant (£90). **Clerk**

20.075 Planning

- **Current applications.**

PA20/06155. Conversion of outbuilding to residential/ holiday annexe and erection of detached without compliance of condition 2 in respect of decision notice E1/2002/2558 dated 21.02.2003. The Annexe Barton, Larrick. **The Members of Lezant Parish Council do not support the change from a holiday annexe to residential dwelling in its own right. This is in part due to concerns over the shared access.**

Clerk

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

- Status of previous applications:

PA20/03517. Change of use from a farm dwelling to unrestricted residential dwelling. The Hawthorns, Higher Larrick. **It was agreed the Chairman would represent Lezant Parish Council at the Planning Committee on the 14th September.**

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Appeal Reference: APP/D0840/W/19/3243222 Land north west of Highview, Higher Larrick. The appeal was allowed and planning permission granted.

20.076 Highways.

- *To note any issues arising on the roads. To include:*

Discussion on the Prohibition of Motor Vehicles restriction (except for access) for the whole length of the Unclassified road from the B3362 to the unclassified road from Leburnick Cross to Roundhill Cottages. In his absence Cllr Burden had asked the matter be added to the agenda for Councillors to consider whether they wished to respond. Councillors discussed the issues related to the restriction including whether the junction should be improved. **Councillors resolved not to take further action at this time.**

Road Signage at Larrick – response from CORMAC. CORMAC is in the process of manufacturing the new sign. With regards to making it mandatory CORMAC stated that if this was the case a Traffic Regulation Order would be required. As it is costly CORMAC tried to consolidate as many as possible under one order to get best value and this is only undertaken every few years. **The clerk was asked to contact CORMAC to request that a mandatory sign is considered in the future.**

In his absence Cllr Burden asked it to be noted that the pedestrian crossing was not listed on the most recent TRO. **The clerk was asked to contact CORMAC for an update.**

Clerk

In his absence Cllr Burden had asked whether Lezant PC should write a further letter about road safety on the A388 as no changes had been made to date and residents remained concerned. **The clerk was asked to write to the Highways Officer expressing Councillor concerns.**

Clerk

The clerk was asked to log a pot hole on the road from Trebulet to Larrick.

20.077 Footpaths. Cllr Holter reported another wooden footpath post was in place. Cllr Holter also noted that an additional post was required, opposite the lane to Carvoda at Trekenner. **The clerk to contact CORMAC and ask if it would be possible for it to be added to the list of those being replaced. Councillors also asked the clerk to write and thank CORMAC for their continued efforts within the parish.**

Clerk

20.078 Correspondence. Nothing additional noted.

20.079 Parish Business

Treburley By-Way Update. It was reported there would be a slight delay to the decision as further research has revealed a hitherto unknown land owner which had previously not been identified. The landowner had 4 weeks to respond to the notice. A decision would be made shortly after this time.

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

20.080 Date of next meeting Tuesday 13th October 2020, 7:30pm to be held online using Microsoft Teams.

The Meeting closed at 21:31 pm.

Signed :

Chairman

Date: