

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEZANT PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT LEZANT CHURCH HALL ON TUESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2018**

**Present:** Councillors: I Nash, G Holter, P J Cairns, C Ayres, V Hill, J Dinnis, N Burden, G Scott,  
Clerk Mrs S Inman  
6 members of the public

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Oakley.

**18.023 Declarations of Interest.** Cllr Nash & Cllr Scott declared a personal interest in the planning application for Mr & Mrs E Jewell.

Mr Chapman attended regarding his outline planning application PA18/01758, to build a two storey dwelling on land north of West Larrick Farmhouse, Trebulet. The proposed dwelling would be in line with the adjacent dwelling to the south west. Mr Chapman and Mr Peter Wonnacott (the agent) explained that as a result of a residential mobile home situated to the immediate north being granted planning permission for a replacement dwelling, the land is considered as an infill site within the settlement of Larrick. Mr Chapman left the meeting.

(Cllr Burden arrived)

Mr & Mrs E Jewell attended regarding outline planning application PA18/01884 for the erection of 3 dwellings on land at East Farm, Rezare following the demolition of existing farm buildings. Mrs Jewell explained that the buildings were in a state of disrepair. They will not be doing the building themselves but selling on to a developer. There is no particular design or landscaping considerations at this point, however, the applicants considered the dwellings would enhance and conserve the landscape character. Councillors raised the government scheme to convert redundant farm buildings but Mrs Jewell explained the buildings were not structurally sound. Concern over parking was raised but the applicants stated that there was sufficient space. Cllr Ayres asked about the likelihood of any contamination on the site but it was considered unlikely. The issue of sewerage was raised. Mr Wonnacott explained it would be dealt with by septic tank. Councillors stated that Rezare was on mains sewerage, which the agent, Peter Wonnacott will look into further.

Mr Judge attended to speak on behalf of Mrs H Judge regarding outline planning permission PA18/01579 for a dwelling on land at Rose Cottage Barn, Rezare. The reason for the application is to design a house more suitable for their retirement and to offer the opportunity for one of their children to be able to live in the area. Mr Judge explained that he had written to everyone in the village and spoken to all his immediate neighbours to outline their plans. Mr Judge stated that the boundary wall offered a high level of screening therefore it was unlikely to have a significant visual impact. The size of the garden when it's split up was raised but Mr Judge believed there was sufficient space for both properties.

Cllr Burden raised his concern that the 3 applications had not been listed on the agenda therefore some in the parish may not be aware that they would be discussed at the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> March. The Clerk stated that the correct protocol had been followed with regards to the agenda and updating the noticeboards with planning notifications. Cllr Cairns proposed that in light of the concern the applications would be deferred to the next meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018. The Clerk was asked to contact the planning office and make sure that the consultation date could be extended. In the event that this was not possible the Councillors would have a site meeting. The Clerk was to look into the Parish's protocol for planning.

**Clerk**

**18.024 Confirmation of the Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2018 were approved by all present and signed by the Chairman.

**18.025 Matters arising from Previous Meeting.**

- **Neighbourhood Plan.** Mr Andrew Hudson gave an update and went through the results of the questionnaire. This included 55% of those responding supporting an increase in the Parish precept; 46% felt that there should be more parish events; 73% indicated that road safety and the speed of traffic on the roads within the parish was a cause for concern; 84% agreed that there should be a tree planting programme to replace old trees and increase tree numbers. The Chairman thanked Mr Hudson for all his hard work and he was invited to give a short presentation at the Parish Meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018, to which he agreed. Carried forward.
- **Playground Maintenance.** Carried forward. SO/PJC
- **Graveyard Grant Treburley & Tregada.** Launceston Area Methodist Circuit had been disappointed with the reduced graveyard grant payment for Treburley (the Launceston Methodist Circuit do not have responsibility for Tregada graveyard) and asked for it to be increased from £50 to £75 (half of previous years). Mrs Jones had provided invoices for work done at Treburley, totalling £322 for upkeep. It was agreed to forward a cheque for £75. Clerk
- **Greystone Quarry.** At the previous meeting Councillors had been surprised at the findings of the Transport Assessment. The Clerk had contacted Aggregate Industries about the timings of the traffic survey and confirmed that the survey had been undertaken in 2015. In addition, the Clerk asked if any improvements would be made to the Hexworthy Road junction. Cllr Nash reported that no improvements would be made. Councillors were disappointed that despite the likelihood of increased revenue for the Quarry no improvements or alternatives had been offered to help offset the disruption. The Council felt that Aggregate Industries should commit to looking at improvements on the Hexworthy Lane with particular regard to the junction with the B3362, which is hazardous. Hexworthy Lane may not have been promoted as an alternative route but the Councillors believe it will be more likely to be used. It was also felt that alternative solutions should have been considered such as purchasing land and re-routing the road. Cllr Burden stated that the road is not only a county highway but a historical right of way. Aggregate Industries had asked that they be notified of the Council's final thoughts on the closure of the road. The Clerk was asked to write to explain their concerns (as above) and state that for these reasons the Members of Lezant Parish Council will continue to object to the closure of the lane. Clerk
- **Councillor Vacancy.** The Electoral Officer had been contacted by the Clerk and had issued a notice of the vacancy (put up on noticeboards on the 19<sup>th</sup> February). Those in the parish had 14 working days to request a bye-election. The Electoral Office had since confirmed that no requests for an election were made therefore the council are now free to co-opt. Carried forward. Clerk
- **Parish Meeting.** Provisionally booked for 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at Trebullet. Inspector Lynden Hughes had been contacted by the Clerk but was unable to attend due to prior commitments. In his absence he had asked PC Steve Stoppard (part of the local policing team for Launceston Rural) to take his place. The Clerk had not asked Laura Cowie because of timings on the night. Mr Andrew Hudson will also speak at the meeting about the findings from the questionnaire. Carried forward. Clerk
- **Grass cutting tender.** The Clerk confirmed that J Sanders tender had been accepted as the increase was only £50 from 2017.
- **War Memorial Grant.** The Clerk will complete a pre-application to see whether we would qualify. They do not give full grants but anything up to 75%. The grants are run on a rolling basis therefore even though we would not be in time for the 31<sup>st</sup> March deadline the next one is June. Clerk

**18.026 Defibrillator at Treburley.** The Clerk had received confirmation from the Ambulance Service that Treburley Social Club AED is now live on their system. The Clerk will put a note in Parish Magazine.

**18.027 Data Protection Register.** Jill Price had emailed to ask whether the Parish Magazine was covered under the Parish Council umbrella as regards Data Protection Registration. Cllr Nash asked the Clerk to look into this further. Carried forward. **Clerk**

#### **18.028 Finance.**

- **Current and Taxi Accounts.** The monthly financial statements (circulated prior to the meeting) were approved.
- **Accounts for payment** were approved as follows:
  - Clerks expenses Feb £78.19
  - Clerks March salary £394.50
  - Taxi – R Roberts Feb £120.00
  - Taxi – R Steinbichl Feb £84.00
  - Taxi – M Nolan Dec/Jan/Feb £145.00
- **LMP.** Agreed to accept offer for £556.51.
- **Internal Auditor.** Agreed that clerk can use Bookbusters, Stoke Climsland. Cllr Burden stated that the Parish Clerk at Altarnun was also qualified to complete the audit.

**Clerk**

#### **18.029 Planning**

- **Any other Consultations received.**
  - PA18/01758 – Mr & Mrs H Chapman, Land North of West Larrick Farmhouse (erection of a dwelling) Carried forward.
  - PA18/01579 - Mrs Judge, Land at Rose Cottage Barn (1 dwelling). Carried forward.
  - PA18/01884 – Mr & Mrs Jewell, Land at East Farm, Rezare. (outline planning permission for the erection of 3 dwellings). Carried forward.
- **Status of previous applications**
  - PA18/00568 Mr M & Mrs J Kent, 2 Cuddacombe Bungalows – single storey conservatory replacement. APPROVED

**Clerk**

#### **18.030 Highways.**

Cllr Scott had asked the Clerk to contact Cormac and follow up about the potholes in the Parish, particularly between Rezare and Treburley. The Clerk had yet to receive a response. Cllr Burden raised his concern about the state of the road heading towards Larrick and stated that it required immediate attention. The Clerk to log with Cormac. In addition, Cllr Ayres asked the Clerk to mention that the A388 is very badly damaged on the road heading into Launceston on the left hand side.

**Clerk**

**18.031 Footpaths.** Chris Monk had emailed explaining that they'll record our reported defects and inspect the ones that could present a safety hazard as a priority. They have a great backlog of defects (this year they have a revenue budget overspend of nearly 100% that has been attributed to serious health and safety defects). Signposts are a low priority and we may need to rely on some waymarker discs in the short term. Cllr Holter asked the Clerk to re-contact Chris Monk and ask for the waymarker disks.

**Clerk**

**18.032 Correspondence.**

- Thank you card from Janet Honey on behalf of the bowls club. No action.
- Great British Spring Clean. Discussed. No action.
- Stickers about dog fouling. No action.
- Community energy funding – feasibility work. Cllr Nash to look into further. **IN**
- Parish magazine. The Clerk let the Councillors know that any input ideally needs to be with the magazine by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month but can still be included up to the 15<sup>th</sup>. The Clerk explained what she would be contributing this month and asked for any other ideas. **Clerk**
- Speed Watch. The Clerk had received an email from the Launceston Community Network asking us to identify locations of concern with regards to speeding in the area. According to residents, the whole of the A388 that falls within the 40mph limit is subject to speeding. Particular concern has been expressed at the minor road junctions and exit areas of properties, such as the pub. The A388 from the Lezant junction through to Tregada and beyond is a problem. It should also be noted that there are safe places for volunteers to stand opposite the garage/ by the bus stop. The Clerk to put a note in the magazine about volunteering for Speed Watch. **Clerk**

**18.033 Parish Business****Clerk/IN**

- **Clerks contract.** Carried forward.
- **Any other Business Brought by Members.** None.

**18.034 Date of next meeting** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018, 7:30pm at Lezant Church Room.

The Meeting closed at 9.34 pm.

Signed :

Chairman

Date: