

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEZANT PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT LEZANT CHURCH HALL ON TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2020**

**Present:** Councillors, A Armstrong Evans, N Burden, P J Cairns, V Hill, G Holter, I Nash,

**Clerk:** Mrs S Inman

**Members of the public:** 2

Apologies for absence: (Cllr(s) C Ayres, G Scott, J Dinnis

**20.025 Declarations of Interest.** None

**20.026 Confirmation of the Minutes.** The clerk was asked to amend 20.023 to remove Cllr Cairns name as he had not reported the issue at the meeting. The minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2020 were then approved by all present and signed by the Chairman.

**20.027 Matters arising from Previous Meeting:**

- **Councillor Vacancy.** Cornwall Council had been notified of Cllr Malcolm's resignation. A notice of vacancy will be advertised on noticeboards and in the parish magazine. Residents have two weeks to request an election otherwise the PC will be able to co-opt.
- **Neighbourhood Plan.** Mr Andrew Hudson (Chairman of the NDP) notified councillors of the referendum result, 91% said YES to the plan and 9% said NO. There was a 37% turnout. The plan is now in place until 2030. Mr Hudson gave the clerk a CD with all relevant information. Mr Hudson suggested that the questionnaire within the design guide be used during PC meetings to ensure that all applicants are being evaluated using the same criteria. As part of the NDP all new planning applicants would complete the questionnaire but the procedure for this was unclear. **The clerk was asked to clarify this further.** Mr Hudson explained that he had boxes of questionnaires that would need to be kept as they provided evidence to back up the plan. **The clerk was asked to look into possible storage solutions.** Mr Hudson offered to email the header that had been used by the NDP committee for use by LPC. It was agreed by all to use this as a new letter heading. The Chairman thanked Mr Hudson and the committee for all their hard work bringing the plan to fruition. **It was agreed that the clerk would write on behalf of LPC thanking those involved for all their efforts.**
- **Playground Maintenance.** The clerk had been asked to carry forward to March's meeting whether new sand should be purchased for the sand pit at the Jubilee Field. **The clerk to contact the school about usage.** Cllr Cairns reported that now both of the football nets at Trebulet playing field were showing signs of damage and therefore it could not be related to strimming as previously thought. **Cllr Cairns to monitor.** It was noted a spare set of nets was available if necessary. Cllr Cairns also reported that the spring on the new smaller pedestrian gate installed at Trebulet needed adjustment to ensure it self-closed. **The clerk to contact the contractor.** The Chairman volunteered to take over Cllr Malcolm's role completing the monthly safety checks on the Jubilee Field equipment.
- **Standing Stones at Greystone Quarry.** Waiting on update. After a notice had been placed in the parish magazine the clerk received an email from a resident who stated they would prefer the stones to be placed near to where they originated. As there are plans for landscaping to the west of the quarry extension they proposed that the stones be placed in the field to the west of the new extension, near the new byway. Councillors had previously discussed whether to move the stones to a location that would mean even if the quarry

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expanded further they would remain safe. It was discussed whether it would be possible to ask the quarry to agree that should further expansion happen the quarry would be responsible for further relocation.

- **VE Day 75<sup>th</sup> Celebrations (8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2020).** The Chairman reported that Treburley Social Club was willing to organise the event. The Chairman also reported that LPC had been entered into a competition with English Heritage which if selected would provide dance experts to the event to help local groups learn how to Lindy Hop. It was noted, however, that they are only selecting 1 event per county.
- **Spring Parish Walk (Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> of May 2020 at 11am).** Cllr Holter proposed a circular route which would take 1.5 – 2 hours to complete. It was approximately 3 miles in length, starting at Treburley Social Club and finishing at the Springer Spaniel. **The clerk was asked to advertise on noticeboards and the parish magazine.**
- **Parish Meeting (19<sup>th</sup> of May 2020).** The clerk had booked Trebullett Chapel Hall. Two suggestions for speakers were given. **It was agreed the clerk would contact Money Services in Launceston and Cllr Hill would speak with the SpeedWatch coordinator to see if they would be willing to give a short presentation on the day.**

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**20.028 Cornwall Council Climate Change.** The Climate Change team was in the process of developing a scoping report to identify key policy areas. As part of the scoping stage, they were undertaking a study to identify locations that might be suitable for wind turbines and other renewable energy sources but wanted to ensure that their approach had community support. **Councillors advised the clerk to write informing them that Lezant's Neighbourhood Development Plan did not identify any areas for sites for turbines and therefore no areas were designated.**

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#### 20.029 Finance:

- Approval of financial statements for Current and Taxi Accounts
- **The following invoices were approved for payment:**
  - (chq 2120) Clerk expenses for Feb (£46.28)
  - (chq 0329) M Harris – Taxi Payment for Feb (£28)
  - (chq 0330) M Nolan – Taxi Payment for Feb (£36)
  - (chq 0331) R Steinbichl – Taxi Payment for Feb (£64)
  - (chq 0332) R Roberts – Taxi Payment for Feb (£116)
- Internal Auditor. It was agreed that the clerk could approach Bookbusters to audit the accounts for the year 2019/20.

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#### 20.030 Planning

- **Current applications:**
- Any other consultations received:
- **PA20/01554.** Proposed change of use to land for the siting of a temporary mobile unit for use as a catering and retail unit. Tre, Pol and Pen Lezant. *To be discussed at the next meeting 14.04.20.*
- Status of previous applications:
  - PA19/10564.** Outline application with all matters reserved, except access, for the erection of up to thirteen dwellings, provision of pedestrian access points and footpaths, provision of a tree planting area and the possible provision of a play area. Land South East Of Sportsmans Close, Treburley. **Refused.**
  - PA20/00301.** Works to T1 Lime Tree (dead). Fell required and replace with new Lime in same location covered by a Tree Preservation Order. Landue, Lezant. **Approved.**
  - PA19/10962.** Reserved Matters (appearance, landscaping, layout, scale) in respect of PA18/01758 (outline planning permission for the erection of a dwelling). Land north of West Larrick Farmhouse. After the site meeting it was

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agreed to object to the application on the grounds of access issues and the height of the build. Status still undetermined.

### 20.031 Highways.

The clerk had received a number of emails from concerned residents regarding the condition of the road from Trebulet heading towards Larrick. The clerk had explained that numerous requests had been made for the road to be prioritised. CORMAC had now confirmed that work is programmed to take place within the next 2 weeks.

Cllr Cairns had inspected the ditches on the road by the entrance to Trewarlett Farm. He noted that the height of the ditch had been reduced by CORMAC and hedge cutting should not be a problem. In terms of issues with animals, if necessary, it would be possible to put electric fencing up to prevent animals going up on it.

Cllr Holter reported that the sunken manhole at Treburley had been replaced.

Cllr Cairns noted that on the road from Trebulet to Larrick there was mud on the road on a blind bend.

The hedge at Trecarrell Mill has had the lower section of hedge cut back to a height of approximately 6 to 8 feet. **The clerk to check that the current maintenance is adequate and safe.**

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#### The clerk to report the following:

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Pot holes on the road from the war memorial heading towards Lezant.

Pot holes on the road to Rezare.

Flooding at Trewarlett

Pothole at Trevoise

Blocked calvert at Trecarrell

**20.032 Footpaths.** Cllr Holter reported that one of the new footpath posts was now in place. **The clerk to check when the others might be installed (12 to do).**

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**20.033 Correspondence.** No additional correspondence not already covered.

### 20.034 Parish Business

Any other business brought by members for the next Parish Council Meeting:

- Wooden gate at Trecarrell Mill (footpath 52/1/1). Land owner contacted LPC to ask whether any help to provide a new gate was available. The clerk contacted CORMAC who said that it was primarily the landowners responsibility but they do have a duty to assist with maintenance and that it may be possible to provide a gate and/or post & fittings for the landowner to install. They will be in touch with the land owner.
- Defibrillator at Rezare. Issue with the key pad and one of the Guardians would like to stand down. **The Chairman to enquire if another resident would be willing to become the new guardian.** *(Afternote: the Chairman resolved the issue with the keypad and the defibrillator is back online. A resident volunteered to take on the role as guardian.)*
- Waste bin at Trebulet had not been emptied. **Clerk to contact CC.**
- Cllr Holter reported he had fixed the wooden flower box that had been damaged at the war memorial.
- Cllr Hill stated that the Speed Watch initiative had been in Treburley two weeks prior to the meeting. The police do not consider the stretch of road as dangerous but Cllr Hill believed that it should be made a 30mph zone in order to lower the levels of speeding. The average speed was currently 46mph.
- Cllr Hill noted that numerous large lorry's had been driving up to Bottonnett resulting in damage to hedges/ verges.

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- Cllr Burden reported back on Community Governance Meeting held in February.

**20.035 Date of next meeting** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2020, 7:30pm at Lezant Church Room.

The Meeting closed at 21:16 pm.

Signed :

Chairman

Date: