

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF LEWANNICK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 27 JUNE 2007. THE MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS.

PRESENT

Chairman	Councillor Iris Curley
Vice Chairman	Councillor Dave Parnall
Councillors	Ken White, John Panter, David Eno and John Newbery.
Clerk	Elaine Cook.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Eric Sleep and Jenny Potter.
County Councillor Neil Burden
District Councillor Graham Facks-Martin.

There were seven members of the public present.

The Chair opened the meeting by thanking everyone for attending. She also explained why this meeting had to be rescheduled because we did not have a quorum and that the time allotted to the public would have to be short because of the sheer volume of work on the agenda.

Members of the public present queried the publication of our Agenda/Minutes and the holiday accommodation at Darkes Development.

The Minutes of our Annual Parish Meeting and Ordinary Meeting dated 16 May 2007 had been previously circulated. It was proposed by John Panter 2nd Ken White, all were in agreement, that the Minutes as circulated were signed as a true and fair record of the said meetings.

1. MATTERS ARISING

- a. Co-option of Councillors.** We had received only one application who had been sent the necessary forms for completion.
- b. Darkes Farm.** Councillors had been sent a copy of our letter to NCDC together with the reply from M Price, NCDC. The Chair also reported on her dialogue to a press call. DE felt that the matter had been handled correctly which was 2nd by JN all in agreement.
- c. Local Maintenance. Footpaths 1 – 5 Trevadlock, Lemalla, Trewinnow to Parish Boundary.** Request for Landowner details and paths to be walked. DE and DP have agreed to walk the footpaths and to take photographic evidence where necessary of areas that require attention.
- d. CCC – Trekelland Bridge:** Clerk has written to Steve Ewing, Highways who replied asking who the adjacent landowners are. Clerk has written to Cllr KW and South Petherwin Parish Council for this information.
- e. CCC – Kellys House/Cottage etc.** Clerk wrote to CCC and it is understood that a site visit will be made soon.
- f. Highways Maintenance –** Clerk sent a letter to Cllr KW to establish the exact location on the Landers/Lewannick road. Surveyor has written to say that patching works have been requested and prioritised for the specified areas. Areas in Polyphane have, this week, been marked with white paint. It was

agreed to write to Highways to push for more than patching and to investigate the underlying problem at the Medrow/Bowden Derra entrance.

- g. Emergency Planning Committee** – a copy of the completed burial ground questionnaire has been sent to CCC with an enquiry regarding an Emergency Planning Committee. No response has been received to date.
- h. Grant funding** – for village halls. Following request to investigate by DP no information can be found.
- i. A30 Dual Carriageway noise** – Clerk has written to Accord regarding the surface noise.
- j. Minutes of Quarry Liaison Group Meeting on 10 June 2007** available for Cllrs.

2. REPORTS

- a. Lewannick Play Area** JN reported that he had received a request for a swing suitable for toddlers. JN will obtain quotes and report back. The Chair confirmed that the Clerk has written to Perfect Pastures re removal of stump.
- b. Polyphant Play Area** no report.

3. DOCUMENTS

- a) Code of Conduct Training Session 24 July 2007 at 7pm Launceston Town Hall** – all councillors and clerk should attend. Standards Board Bulletin No 33. Copy of the New Code of Conduct Guide handed to all Cllrs.
- b) CCC Draft Cornwall Countryside Access Strategy (CCAS) Consultation.** It was agreed that we would request a paper copy.
- c) CCC ONE CORNWALL** – their response to the Chisholm Report commissioned by NCDC is included. It was agreed that the Clerk would invite Stephen Ford the Parish and Town Councils Liaison Officer to one of our meetings as a speaker. Proposed by JN 2nd DE all supported.

4. PLANNING

We have had two prior notifications for erection of agricultural buildings. These notifications were to ascertain if there is a need for detailed plans. The time scale was extremely short so the following action was taken.

- a. 2007/01071 Prior Notification for the erection of an agricultural building for storage of hay and machinery/implement store. Freestone Bowden, Mr S T Philp.** Quorum of DE DP JPo and Chair – decision required by 11 June 2007 – no detailed plans needed. Supported.
- b. 2007/00973 Prior Notification for the erection of a general purpose agricultural building. Strayer Park, Lewannick. F P Wadge.** Quorum of DP, IC, JPa and JPo supported. No plans needed.
- c. Mr C Wadge.** It was agreed to forward a copy of our Search, as carried out by CCC, dated August 2006. Pro KW 2nd JN, all in agreement.
- d. Openreach.** Wish to lay underground cable adjacent to The Row. Copy of plan has been sent to David Tapsell, Development Control for advice. This is following permission request from Western Power who were not granted permission to put cables underground.

5. FINANCE

- a) **Aggregates Levy:** Clerk had sent a copy of the letter to Cllrs. Proposed that our project title will be “Refurbishment of Lewannick Green” in particular investigate railings for the side of the war memorial in the light of health and safety and disablement safety and improvements to Lewannick Play Area. Proposed JN 2nd DE all in agreement that Clerk submits our proposal form on this basis.
- b) **Office:** Clerk’s salary – letter from the Cornwall Association of Local Councils recommending that we immediately increase the clerk’s salary to the minimum wage. The scales are worked on a points system according to the work load and it is possible that our clerk should receive between £9.59 and £10.86 per hour. However, we have not allowed for this increase in our precept, and it was proposed to pay £6 per hour this year i.e., £2,880. Proposed by KW 2nd DE all in favour.
Computer: Quotations were discussed and it was agreed to accept APB Computer Services Ltd at £688.99 together with Force9 broadband. Proposed by DE 2nd JN all in agreement Clerk to instruct.
- c) **Western Power: Wayleave Payment** of £9.70 received.
- d) The Clerk presented the following for payment:

David Eno Newsletter May 2007	£30.00	Cheque No 538
Clerk’s Expenses May 2007	£28.10	Cheque No 539

 Proposed by KW 2nd JPanter all accept payments to be made.
- e) **Cornwall Association of Local Councils** – annual subscription of £170.00 has been made Cheque No 537. Agreed by quorum: IC, DP, JPa and JPo cheque drawn and sent. Proposed by JN 2nd KW all in agreement.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) **Community Transport** it was agreed that the Clerk would respond Pro KW 2nd JPanter all in agreement.
- b) **Polyphant Hall Bookings** – confirmation.
- c) **Launceston Forum** developing a play strategy such as a Play Ranger or a programme of holiday activities – the focus is on activity based programmes and events. Given to DE on behalf of Lewannick Primary School.
- d) **Dan Rogerson MP** – letter re Cornwall’s bid to reform local government with accompanying questionnaire which had to be returned by 11 June 2007.
- e) **Shaping Health** – asking for volunteers to join a Patient and Public Involvement Forum and to display notice – given to J Panter for Lewannick Post Office.
- f) **Cornwall Association of Local Councils** – report on unitary authority consultation for circulation.
- g) **St Stephan-in Branneal PC** invites us to send a rep to a presentation on affordable housing in Truro on 16 July 2007 at 7 pm. No Cllrs are able to attend.
- h) **NCDC results of poll** – letter from Chairman giving results of poll on a unitary authority – 13% support the proposal, 82% are against it. Also states hardly any residents received the CCC leaflet outlining their proposals. Even if the unitary authority bid does not succeed, it seems that the pattern of local government will be under something called the pathfinder model favoured by NCDC.
- i) **Roadford Lake – poster.**

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a. DP – request that the hedges are cut back in June and August. DE to place in newsletter.

It was moved that the Council go into Committee by KW 2nd JN all in favour.

The meeting closed at 10.15pm. Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday 18 July at Polyphant commencing 20.00hrs. It was also suggested that Councillors would walk the Green at Polyphant prior to our next meeting: weather permitting.

Signed ...I Curley.....

Chairman Dated.....18 July 2007.....