

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF LEWANNICK PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT LEWANNICK VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL 2008. THE MEETING COMMENCED AT 20.00HOURS AND WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS.

ATTENDANCE

CHAIRMAN	Iris Curley
VICE CHAIRMAN	Dave Parnell
CLERK	Elaine Cook
COUNCILLORS	John Panter, Ken White, John Newbery, Eric Sleep, Adrian Brown, Bernard O'Neil, Graham Facks-Martin and Neil Burden.

Dan Rogerson MP

APOLOGIES Jenny Potter and David Eno.

The Chair welcomed Dan Rogerson MP to our meeting. Dan Rogerson briefly discussed local issues including change of use on businesses, playing fields and the need for protection, Right of Appeal for developers, judicial reviews, our local tax office, learning shops and the need to save them, adult education and our local post office and how we need valid reasons to save it from closure.

There was a questions and answers session that followed in which brown signs, charges made by BT, condition of the road from Plusha to Congdons Shop and the overall conditions of the road surfaces, housing for first time buyers and the implications of second homes were also appraised.

The Minutes of our Meeting dated 19 March 2008, which had been previously circulated, were proposed by KW 2nd JN, all were in full agreement that they be signed as a true and fair record of that said meeting.

1. MATTERS ARISING

- a. **Cycle path – Lewannick.** No report.
- b. **Polyphant Green.** We are waiting for comments to be received from our County Forester, Ian Davies, before submitting our planning application. It is understood that Ian is returning to the Green for a more in depth inspection.
- c. **NCDC – Code of Conduct Training – Certificate of Attendance awards** were handed out to Cllrs, John Panter, Ken White, John Newbery, Adrian Brown, Bernard O'Neil and Elaine Cook. Certificates will be given to Jenny Potter and David Eno. The Chair thanked all Councillors for their attendance.
- d. **Lewannick Hall** – no key has been cut for the Clerk. KW has now agreed to ensure that this is done.
- e. **Footpaths through parish** – Clerk still awaiting feedback. KW has agreed to walk the paths in Lewannick.
- f. **Hedgerow growth** – we have received confirmation from Highways that they have our letter and that the matter is being dealt with.
- g. **Lewannick notice board** – JN has kindly made temporary improvements to our notice board.

- h. **Newsletter** – We had a problem with last month’s newsletter. Our report was not included and a supplement had to be printed. It has been explained to the new editor that the newsletter is primarily for parish council information, before any other village groups.
- i. **Blackhill Quarry** – We have received a copy of the minutes of the last Quarry Liaison Meeting and the next meeting is Wednesday, 7 May. The Chair has spoken to Neil Burden regarding the lack of progress with the signage on the A30. He is as frustrated as we are and asks that we write to CCC strongly expressing our view that this requirement on the ROMP agreement is long overdue for implement. Clerk to book the Chapel Hall and write to CCC pro KW 2nd IC all in agreement.
- j. **Post Office Parking** – It was agreed that we would chase Steve Ewing, CCC, regarding the post office parking and the pavement outside the Archer’s Arms.
- k. **Signage A30** – The Chair has spoken to Highways, Mr Barford who is in charge of the road works, to complain about the lack of signage and the poor siting of cones at the Plusha junction. Mr Barford has promised to look into this and get it tidied up in the next few days.
- l. **Resignation** – The Clerk read out a letter of resignation from the Chair which is to take effect immediately following the Annual General Meeting. It was agreed that the Chair would stay on for a three-month period to help our new Chairman who would be voted on following the Annual General Meeting.

2. REPORTS

- a. **Polyphant Play Area** – We have received a letter from Polyphant Ladies Club regarding The Community Chest.
- b. **Lewannick Play Area** – JN has repaired the catch to the entrance gate.
- c. **Senior Citizens Forum** – B O’N reported that the group is going from strength to strength and is looking at recruitment within Launceston. They have decided to operate separately from their Truro office because of the lack of help. This, however, is not deterring them and there is a lot of work and support being generated on a local basis.
- d. **Transport Forum.** No report.
- e. **Neighbourhood Watch** – No report.

3. DOCUMENTS

No documents for discussion.

4. PLANNING

- a. **2008/00556 Erection of nursery entrance kiosk and covered area. Medrow Bungalow, Medrow, Polyphant, Mr T Ellis.** On checking with NCDC Planning Department we have been informed that there has never been an application for a change of use at this site. Richard White, the officer in charge, said that has dealt with the various applications for buildings and has monitored the situation. It was suggested that we write and ask Planning if the position could be clarified for change of use. The application was proposed by DP 2nd JN, all were in agreement that it is supported.
- b. For information – Mr Jeff contacted the Chair on 7 April to say he had purchased the old wash house on Darkes Farm. He is renovating it for residential use and has found that it was never connected to main sewage – all the waste for the washing machines had merely been going into the ground. He needs to

rectify this and to do so will need to dig up part of the bank on the green outside the property. NCDC – Mr Tapsall says his would be regarded as general maintenance but that Mr Jeff should write to NCDC together with a sketch of the work planned, and that the bank would have to be reinstated. The Chair notified Mr Jeff.

c. NCDC – Update to extension to dwelling and erection of garage at the Cottage, Polyphant – confirming that all the works are being done in accordance with planning.

5. FINANCE

- a. CCC – Aggregates levy Sustainability Fund – payment of the final 20% of the grant.** They are satisfied that the information we supplied clearly illustrates the project was funded by the ALSF and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the grant, payment of the final 20% (£500) has been arranged and should be received within the next 30 days.
- b. South West Lumberjacks - £381.88** Invoice No 8008 for the removal of the second major limb by the North West side of the mature Beech tree No 19 on Polyphant Green – as required by a Five Day Notice. Pro KW 2nd ES all in agreement that the invoice be paid Cheque Number 562.
- c. APB Computer Services Limited - £29.97** for monthly payment of broadband x 3. Proposed by KW 2nd ES all in agreement that the invoice be paid Cheque Number 563.
- d. Cruse Bereavement Care in Cornwall – left on table.**
- e. Annual Audit for the year 2008 forms for completion.**

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Portakbin** – ES is unhappy that Highways have allowed a portakbin public toilets at Two Bridges. Agreed to write to Highways, Exeter 2nd by B O’N all in full agreement.
- b. Drain at Strayer Park** – mud is flooding onto the lane. Agreed to contact John Davey of Highways. Pro IC 2nd ES all in favour.
- c. Parking on pavement, Medrow** – IC concerned about vehicles parking on pavements which must not happen.
- d. Slow signs, pedestrians crossing** – Highways had agreed to provide signs at Trevadlock. To Chase.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 20.01hours. Our next meeting will take the form of our Annual Parish Meeting followed by our Ordinary Meeting and will be held in Polyphant. The meeting will commence at 19.00hours on Wednesday 21 May 2008.

