

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF LEWANNICK  
PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER AT  
LEWANNICK VILLAGE HALL. THE MEETING WAS OPEN  
TO THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS.

ATTENDANCE:

Chair	Iris Curley
Vice Chair	David Pamell
Clerk	Elaine Cook
Councillors	Tim Ellis, David Eno, Ken White, John Newbery, Jenny Potter and John Panter.

APOLOGIES:

CCllrs	Neil Burden and Graham Facks-Martin.
Cllrs	Eric Sleep and Chris Beckly.

The Minutes of our meeting held on Wednesday 19 July, which had been circulated, were signed as a true and fair record of that meeting.  
Proposed by KW 2<sup>nd</sup> by JPotter, all in favour.

There was one member of the public at our meeting. Mr D Bidwell acting on behalf of the Neighbourhood Watch for our parish for which he is the co-ordinator. Mr Bidwell explained the role that he played as he saw it. The Chair explained that it would be very valuable if Mr Bidwell could forward written reports to us or attend the beginning of our meetings quarterly.

1. REPORTS

Lewannick Play Area - We have now had delivery of a quality bench/table. It was agreed that Cllrs *DP/JN* and *CB* would secure the furniture. The Chair thanked the Cllrs for their valuable help. TE had also removed the dead tree from the play area.

Polyphant Play Area - TE reported that the fence to this area has now been repaired. He has also kindly checked the play equipment. The Chair thanked him for doing this on our behalf.

## 2.MATTERS ARISING

a. Blackhill Quarry No further movement on the liaison committee. We have received a report that a resident considers there has been tipping on the top of the quarry which is visible from the A30. Cllrs agreed that we need to investigate this and we will write to Tarmac to clarify. It was further agreed that we need to push for a meeting with the liaison committee. Pro KW 2<sup>nd</sup> IN all in agreement.

b. Two Bridges The letter from Helen Phillips of Highways dated 21 July was read out. A copy of the letter has also been sent to Neil. It was agreed that we would invite Highways to attend our next meeting. Pro KW 2<sup>nd</sup> IN all in favour.

Also in from Highways are three letters for our consideration:

1. Proposal to ban 'U' turns from east to west bound carriageways at Two Bridges Junction and the Highways Depot junction. It was proposed by JN 2<sup>nd</sup> JP all in favour that this be accepted.
2. Closure of right hand turn at Treguddick except for farm vehicles. It was proposed by IN 2<sup>nd</sup> JP all in favour with KW declining to vote that we accept.
3. Right hand turn band from Highways Depot. It was proposed by JN 2<sup>nd</sup> JP all in favour that this be accepted.

All of the above alterations had been proposed at our previous meeting with Highways and we had at the time agreed to their proposals.

### c. POLYPHANT GREEN

Trees bordering the byway crossing the green. Peter Wilson, the Commons Registration Officer of Cornwall County Council has confirmed in writing that the byway No 16 is subject to highway law. This means that the landowners of land abutting the byway are responsible for the hedges, etc. The Chair has spoken to the applicant who raised this query and explained that they need to contact the developer of the site.

Drain cover on the green - a resident had contacted the Clerk to report a drain cover on the green which was in a dangerous condition. The Clerk has arranged and had a new cover fitted. IN pro KW 2<sup>nd</sup> this course of action all were in full agreement.

### Trees:

A comprehensive report had been put within our August newsletter, for which the Chair thanked the Clerk. A sycamore tree on the green

was found to be affected by fungus and the County Forester placed a 5 day order on it. It was felled on 23 August. Needless to say we have been criticised for this action. A resident said he had watched the felling and that there was nothing wrong with the tree and asked what was happening to the wood. The wood will be used for planking and offset against our costs and the rest of the wood was left for residents.

A resident wrote to us criticising the need to fell this tree. The Chair had spoken to the resident and had explained the state of the tree and said that the Council had to be guided by the experts who had insisted that the tree be felled. The resident maintained that there was nothing wrong with the tree and they had also written to the County Forester. The tree surgeon informed us that when the tree was felled he could confirm that the fungus had twisted the roots on the tree which had made it unstable. IN proposed and KW 2<sup>nd</sup> all were in agreement with the course of action taken.

Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund - The Chair read out the letter in which it was confirmed that we have been awarded £4,294. The Chair thanked the Clerk for the work involved in obtaining this grant.

Report on Polyphant Green carried out by Tim Ellis and Bruce Deighton. TE explained the report that he had completed. It was agreed that a meeting with our County Forester needs to be carried out prior to a public meeting. The Clerk will contact and arrange.

c. Dog Bins - confirmed that the dog bins are both in place at Medrow and by the Chapel. The Chair thanked Cllrs CB and JPotter for erecting same.

### 3.DOCUMENTS

There were no documents for circulation.

### 4. PLANNING

- a. Approved by NCDC - Lewannick Post Office - alteration store openings and raising of roof height of store room.
- b. Mr and Mrs D Cash - revised design to increase floor levels in accordance with DDA requirements special care assisted living unit. (1999/1421) and the appeal that was going to take place on the 5 September for Mr and Mrs D Cash - land at Bowden Derra has been withdrawn and no further action will be taken.

## 5. FINANCE

- a. Precept received for second half year of £5,000.

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Cornwall County Council- Worried about Waste? Holding a series of meetings to enable them to discuss any issues of concern associated with the County's long term plans for managing rubbish. Next meeting 22 September Vestibule, Shire House, Bodmin.
- b. NCDC - invitation to Council's Civic Service which will be held at Egloshayle Church, Wadebridge at 3pm on Sunday 8 October. Chair unable to attend - Clerk to reply.
- c. Correspondence from resident - letter and enclosure regarding removing electricity poles. The contents were discussed and it was agreed that this is an avenue in which we do not have sufficient funds to progress at this stage.
- d. The Launceston Forum Open Day invitation to all surrounding Parish Councils to an open day on Wednesday 1 November 2 - 7 at their new office in the Old National School.

## 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a. John Panter - concerned that nothing appears to be happening with regard to Trevadlock Cross and Lewannick Centre. Clerk will write to Highways.
- b. Dave Parnell - request that a note be put into the newsletter regarding the need to trim road hedge sides in June and again in August leaving 200 - 300 mm of growth.

There being no further business the Chair declared our meeting closed. Our next meeting will be held at Polyphant Village Hall on Wednesday 18 October 2006 at 20.00hrs.