Minutes of the Lewannick Parish Council Meeting held at Lewannick Village Hall, Lewannick on Tuesday 17th March 2020 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr M White (Chairman), Cllr C Newbery (Vice Chair), Cllr J Newbery, Cllr S Jasper, Cllr B Sleep, Cllr P Atkinson, Cllr C Tyler and Cllr R Finnimore

In Attendance: Linda Coles, Locum Parish Clerk and Cllr A Parsons (Cornwall Councillor)

There were no members of the public present.

Item No		Action By		
1	Apologies.	-		
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr B Newbery and Cllr D Parnell for			
	not attending the meeting, and Cllr R Finnimore and Cllr A Parsons for arriving late			
	to the meeting.			
2	Declarations of Interest.			
	a) Agenda Items. None declared			
	b) Gifts. None declared			
3	Consideration of written requests for dispensation. None received			
4	Policy for dealing with Council Business during the Coronavirus Outbreak.			
	The Clerk had drafted a policy for consideration. It was RESOLVED to adopt the			
	Policy Paper and all of its content, proposed by Cllr Sleep, seconded by Cllr			
	Atkinson with all in favour. There will be no Parish Council meetings until further			
	notice and under the Scheme of Delegation decisions on matters of business will	Clerk		
	be taken by the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk. More detail can be			
	viewed on the Parish Council website: www.lewannickpc.org.uk			
5	Unitary Councillor's Report.			
	Cllr Parsons said that Cornwall Council Committee meetings have been cancelled			
	but the full cabinet meeting will go ahead tomorrow. Cornwall Council is waiting	Clerk		
	for guidance from the Government on Planning Committee meetings.			
	Cllr Parsons said that there are grants for tree planting etc. The Clerk will explore			
	further.			
	This item number was changed to accommodate the Policy.			
	There was no public participation.			
6	Planning			
	a) Planning applications received before the agenda was finalised:			
	PA20/01635, Polyphant Green, Polyphant, Launceston, Cornwall. Application			
	for works to trees subject to TPO, T8-fell; T15-minor prune; T35-minor prune;			
	T36-minor prune; T42-3m cut back of limb and T52-crown raise. It was			
	RESOLVED to support this application, proposed by Cllr J Newbery, seconded			
	by Cllr C Newbery with all in favour.			
	b) Planning applications received after the agenda was published: None			
	c) Planning decisions received from Cornwall Council: None received			
	d) Other Planning Matters: No other matters			

7	Minutes of the meeting held on the 18th February 2020			
	It was RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 th February as a			
	true record of that meeting, subject to the addition to page 27, item 7 Cllr White			
	apologised to Cllr Tyler for her exclusion from the Closed Session of the meeting			
	held on 21st January 2020 when other matters were discussed and not just			
	staffing matters. Proposed by Cllr Atkinson, seconded by Cllr C Newbery with all			
	in favour.			
8	Matters Arising.			
	There were no matters arising.			
	(Cllr C Newbery and Cllr J Newbery left the meeting.)			
9	Footpaths.			
	It was agreed that due to the Coronavirus the existing Contractor will be offered a	Clerk		
	further year on his contract. The Clerk will email his new terms to the Members			
	and inform the contractor.			
10	Highway Matters.			
	Cllr Sleep reported a new pothole on the turn into Trevadlock at the park end. Cllr	AP		
	Parsons will report this.			
11	Climate Change.			
	This item is put on hold because there are to be no public meetings for the			
	foreseeable future.			
12	Play Areas and Open Spaces.			
	Cllr Tyler reported: Lewannick – the Leylandi have been cut back but the cut			
	branches have been left on the ground of the play area. The Clerk will write to the			
	contractor and the house owner and ask for them to be cleared. The bins have			
	been checked and emptied. Cllr Tyler has cleaned the swing seats and chains with Milton. Polyphant- The automatic gate closure is not working very well and Cllr Tyler has			
	applied some WD40 to the catch.			
13	Correspondence			
	a) Email from SPM Forestry and Woodland Management re Tree Warden			
	Scheme. This was noted and filed.			
	b) The Clerk has received an email from a resident of Lewannick who has been			
	subjected to anti-social behaviour. This has been reported to the Police and	Clerk		
	the resident wants to know if there have been any other incidents. The Clerk			
	will reply that there are no other known reports of this behaviour.			
	c) The Clerk has received a reply from Hancocks Solicitors re the obstruction to a			
	right of way at Polyphant Green. It was agreed that this will be noted but the			
	Parish Council will not reply or get involved in what is essentially a neighbourly			
	dispute. Proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Atkinson with all in favour.			
14	Finance			
	a) Payments.			
	It was RESOLVED to make the following payments, proposed by Clir Sleep,			
	seconded by Cllr Atkinson with all in favour:			
	 Chq 300004 – L Coles, February salary, office and expenses 			
	Chq 300005 – HMRC, Clerk's February PAYE			
	 Chq 300006 – Polyphant Methodist Chapel, hire of hall for meetings -£40 			
	Chq 300007 – H Beckly & Son re repair to play equipment - £101.88			
	b) Receipts. None			

	c) Bank Reconciliation. It was RESOLVED to sign the bank reconciliations as					
	correct, proposed by Cllr Finnimore, seconded by Cllr Tyler with all in favour.					
	d) Tenders for the grass cutting and footpath maintenance. See item 9, already covered.					
	 e) Santander Bank Account number 57968570: It was RESOLVED that this bank account will be closed now that the Unity Trust bank Account is set up, proposed by Cllr Atkinson, seconded by Cllr Sleep with all in favour. f) The Clerk reported that Cornwall Council will make a payment of £33,750 precept in April with the balance of £11,250 to be paid in September. This will ease the Cashflow and ensure that the invoices to PKF Littlejohn can be paid by the 30th April 2020. 					
15	Any other Business					
	The Chairman reported on the five benches in Lewannick which all appear to be in good order. Cllr Jasper said that the five benches in Polyphant are in a bad state, covered with					
	lichen and need cleaning. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr Morley for a price for cleaning but will also look at purchasing some cleaning fluid (Wet and Forget) so that the job can be carried out in house.	Clerk				
16	Items for the next agenda					
	There are to be no meetings for the foreseeable future					
17	Date and time of next Parish Council meeting. T.B.A					

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25pm

Signed	 	Chairman
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Dated	 	

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