

**Minutes of the Meeting of Lewannick Parish Council Meeting held  
on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023 at 7.30pm in Lewannick Village Hall, Lewannick.**

**Present:** Cllr M White (Chairman), Cllr C Newbery (Vice Chair), Cllr J Newbery, Cllr A Hobden, Cllr S Jasper, Cllr R Finnimore, Cllr P Atkinson and Cllr K Owens

**In Attendance:** L Coles, Parish Clerk, Cllr A Parsons (Cornwall Councillor)

There were two members of the public present.

Item No		Action By
1	<b>Apologies.</b> Apologies were received from Cllr B Sleep for absence and Cllr A Parsons, Cornwall Council, for being late to the meeting.	
2	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> a) <b>Agenda Items.</b> Cllr M White declared an interest in Item 6a) PA23/07444 and will leave the meeting when this item is discussed. b) <b>Gifts.</b> None declared	
3	<b>Consideration of written requests for dispensation.</b> None received.	
4	<b>Unitary Councillor's Report.</b> Deferred due to absence	
5	<b>Public Participation.</b> The members of the public spoke about PA23/07444, their planning application and gave some background to their reasons for applying for this development. They reassured the Council that the trees are subject to a TPO and will not be affected by the development of the new dwelling.	
4	<b>Unitary Councillor's Report.</b> Cllr Parsons reported that the reduction in the budget for Highways is beginning to bite. Following the recent severe weather it has become more apparent that the budget needs to be increased to deal with the effects of conditions caused by storms, for example there were 419 separate incidents during and after Storm Ciaran; fallen trees, flooding etc. The good news is that a new building has been secured for the Library in Launceston, which will be purchased and fitted out by Cornwall Council before handing it over to Launceston Town Council. This will provide a Community Hub for the town. There is no lead time for this project. Some additional good news is that, following submission of a business plan for the Leisure Centre, Cornwall Council will fund £792k to make the necessary improvements to the building, to be paid in three tranches over the next three years. A Skate Park is being installed at Coronation Park. Cllr Parsons provided some data for car parks in Launceston and Callington. Following the increase in charges by Cornwall Council, car parking is 30% down in Launceston and 50% down in Callington, averaged over the last six months. There is no update on the issue with school buses.	
6	<b>Planning</b> a) <b>Planning applications received before the agenda was finalised:</b> <b>Cllr White left the meeting having declared an interest in the following application and Cllr C Newbery took the Chair.</b> <b>PA23/07444, REVISED PLANS</b> for Land South of Harpers Meadow. Callington Road, Lewannick, Launceston. Application for Outline Planning Permission with all matters reserved for the construction of a new dwelling. It was felt that the confusion over how many dwellings will be constructed on the site has been clarified; it will be only one dwelling. On this basis it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to support this planning application, <b>proposed by Cllr J Newbery, seconded by Cllr Owens with all in favour.</b>	

	<p><b>Cllr White returned to the meeting and retook the Chair.</b></p> <p><b>The members of the public left the meeting.</b></p> <p><b>PA23/08739</b>, Ridgeview, Polyphant, Launceston, Cornwall. Extension of existing house at Ridgeview and annexe. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to support this application, <b>proposed by Cllr Atkinson, seconded by Cllr Hobden with all in favour.</b></p> <p><b>PA23/08851</b>, Kents Barn, Lewannick, Launceston PL15 7QW. Non-material amendment to decision PA23/04803 dated 16.08.23 to change west elevation material from timber cladding to stonework, to add flat roof light in extension above kitchen and for alterations to fenestration. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to support this application, <b>proposed by Cllr Owens, seconded by Cllr Finnimore with all in favour.</b></p> <p><b>b) Planning applications received after the agenda was published: None.</b></p> <p><b>c) Planning decisions notified by Cornwall Council.</b></p> <p><b>PA23/06673</b> Hicks Mill House, Hicks Mill, Polyphant, PL15 7PT – <b>Approved</b></p> <p><b>PA23/06684</b> Lemalla, Congdons Shop, Launceston PL15 7PW – <b>Approved</b></p> <p><b>d) Other Planning Matters.</b></p> <p>5 Day Protocol re Lidsey, 1 Bowlers Green, Lewannick. The Clerk reported that there had been six votes for option 3 and two votes for option 2. The Clerk has therefore asked Cllr Parsons to call this application in to committee for a decision. However, Cllr Parsons advised the Council that it is unlikely that Cornwall Council will allow this application to be taken to committee for a decision.</p>	
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023.</b></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Minutes are a true record of the Meeting, <b>proposed by Cllr Finnimore, seconded by Cllr C Newbery with all those who had been present at that meeting in favour.</b></p>	
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Matters Arising from the above Minutes.</b></p> <p>Cllr J Newbery advised that the correct knuckle joint for the swing has been reordered and will be received in the next two weeks, Schoolscapes having sent the wrong size.</p> <p>The Clerk reported that the telephone kiosk is still being looked after and two more shelves are required.</p>	<b>JN</b>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>D-Day Celebrations June 6<sup>th</sup> 2024.</b></p> <p>The Clerk will express the Council's interest in lighting a Beacon for D-Day. Cllr Owens confirmed that the Events Committee is happy to run this event.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>10</b>	<p><b>Notice Boards.</b></p> <p>The Clerk reported on the quotes for the Notice Boards and it was agreed to pursue aluminium ones. The Clerk will get the costs for larger ones, to be reported at the next meeting.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>11</b>	<p><b>Christmas Tree.</b></p> <p>Some handmade decorations were handed to Cllr J Newbery for the tree in the Church and Members were reminded to let him have their decorations as soon as possible.</p>	
<b>12</b>	<p><b>Highway and Footpath Matters.</b></p> <p><b>a) A30/B3257 junction at Bodmin Moor Services (Plusha).</b> The letter sent by the Clerk was circulated with the response from National Highways who has said that the letter will be considered as part of the consultation with the local community in the New Year.</p> <p><b>b) Landers Lake.</b> Nothing to report. Cllr Parnell said that the ditch has been made deeper.</p> <p><b>c) Pot Holes.</b> It was reported that there are three of four large potholes at the back of the Church, outside Priory House. The Clerk will report these to Highways.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>14</b>	<p><b>Play Areas and Open Spaces.</b></p> <p><b>a) Play Equipment.</b> Cllr J Newbery and Cllr White have been seeking quotes for the new fence and gate at Polyphant. A decision will be taken at the next Council meeting.</p>	

	<p>Cllr C Newbery reported that someone is calling to look at the slide at Lewannick and that the Witches Hat needs repairing.</p> <p><b>b) Polyphant Green.</b> The Clerk will ask Bees Trees to dispose of the fallen tree limb at Polyphant. The Leylandii at Lewannick needs cutting back and the Clerk will ask Daniel Bees to attend to this.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>15</b>	<p><b>Correspondence.</b> <b>a) D-Day celebrations 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024.</b> Details circulated. Already covered.</p>	
<b>16</b>	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p><b>a) Payments.</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to make the payments for October. <b>Proposed by Cllr Hobden, seconded by Cllr Atkinson with all in favour.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online – L Coles, Clerk’s October salary, office and expenses</li> <li>• Online – HMRC, Clerk’s October PAYE</li> <li>• Online – Launceston Print, printing of newsletter - £61.00</li> <li>• Online –The Cumbria Clock Co. service of Parish Clock - £228.00</li> <li>• Online – Lewannick Village Hall, hire of hall for meetings - £42.00</li> <li>• Online – South Petherwin Parish Council, 1/3 of Clerk’s recent training - £10.00</li> </ul> <p><b>b) Receipts.</b> None.</p> <p><b>c) Bank Reconciliations.</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the bank reconciliation for October is correct, <b>proposed by Cllr Hobden seconded by Cllr Jasper with all in favour.</b></p> <p><b>d) Budget and Precept.</b> The Clerk had circulated the papers and following a discussion and questions it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept the Budget as presented and reduce the Precept to £30,000 for 2024/2025, <b>proposed by Cllr Hobden, seconded by Cllr Atkinson with all in favour.</b> The Clerk will inform Cornwall Council.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>17</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business.</b> Cllr Hobden said that she will be unable to attend the CAP meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> December and the Chairman asked the Clerk to represent the Council at this meeting. Cllr Hobden reported that the grit bin opposite the Chapel in Polyphant is empty. The Clerk will ask CC to refill this one.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>18</b>	<p><b>Items for the next Agenda</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bio Diversity Policy</li> </ul>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>19</b>	<p><b>Date and time of the next meeting.</b> The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on <b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023</b> and will commence at <b>6.45pm</b> in Lewannick Village Hall.</p>	

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.48pm

Signed .....Chairman. Dated.....

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