

**Minutes of the Meeting of Lewannick Parish Council Meeting held
on Tuesday 19th November 2024 at 7.30pm in The Methodist Chapel Schoolroom, Polyphant.**

Present: Cllr M White (Chairman), Cllr A Hobden, Cllr S Jasper, Cllr K Owens, Cllr P Atkinson, Cllr R Finnimore, Cllr B Sleep and Cllr D Parnell.

In Attendance: L Coles, Parish Clerk, Cllr A Parsons, Cornwall Council.

There were 6 members of the public present.

Item No		Action By
1	Apologies. Cllr C Newbery and Cllr J Newbery.	
2	Declarations of Interest a) Agenda Items. Cllr White, Chairman and Cllr Owens declared an interest in item 6a) PA24/07764 and will leave the meeting when this is discussed. b) Gifts. None declared	
3	Consideration of written requests for dispensation. None received.	
4	Unitary Councillor's Report. Cllr Parsons reported that despite proposals to save £49million across different directorates, there is still a £9m gap. He has sent a report to the Clerk which will be circulated. Cllr Parsons said that community confidence and morale is already low due to the recent Government Budget announcements and businesses are already closing down. There have been changes at Plusha since the last meeting, following the fatality at the junction. NH has closed the right turn out of Plusha and imposed a 50mph speed limit on this stretch. There was an extraordinary meeting of the full Council a couple of weeks ago at which a motion of no confidence in the Leader of the Council. Linda Taylor, failed at the vote.	
5	Public Participation. Member of the public spoke about his planning application PA24/07764, which is Listed Building Consent for the already approved plans. Peter Allan (PA) spoke on behalf of the lobby group, Safer Plusha Action Group (SPAG) and said that the kneejerk reaction to the fatality and the proposals on the table are not the solution. NH ran a very poor survey. The only way to move this issue forward is to get the Peninsular Transport Strategic Body on board. There is a meeting on the 4 th December in Plymouth which PA and Cllr Parsons will attend and make representations on behalf of SPAG. Now that this group is being formed all of the interested parties need to get together and share a common vision, agree a set of objectives and how it will lobby and communicate. An agreed strategy and a set of tactics are needed to achieve the goal. PA said that a smaller executive group needs to be set up by SPAG and Cllr Parsons is key to this and should be the nominal chairman. A representative of each Parish Council should be on the committee and there should be a nominated secretary. There was a general discussion about Plusha.	
6	Planning. a) Planning applications received before the agenda was finalised: Cllr White and Cllr Owens left the meeting. It was proposed that Cllr Atkinson took the Chair for the next item, proposed by Cllr Finnimore, seconded by Cllr Parnell with all in favour. PA24/07764 , Landry Cottage, Old Hill, Lewannick, Launceston. Listed Building Consent to reduce bedrooms to one and changes to room configuration, in relation to non material	

	<p>amendment application PA24/06934. It was RESOLVED to support this application, proposed by Cllr Hobden, seconded by Cllr Finnimore with all in favour. Cllr White and Cllr Owens returned to the meeting. PA24/07933, Rose Cottage, Polyphant, Launceston. Installation of an EV charger in an underground utility store that is built in to the embankment next to the front of the house. This ‘cupboard’ has a wooden door and as such the charger will not be visible. There was some discussion following which it was RESOLVED to support the application, proposed by Cllr Finnimore, seconded by Cllr Atkinson with all in favour. PA24/07934, Listed Building Consent for application PA24/07933, as above. It was RESOLVED to support the application, proposed by Cllr Finnimore, seconded by Cllr Atkinson with all in favour.</p> <p>b) Planning applications received after the agenda was published: None c) Planning decisions notified by Cornwall Council. PA24/06650/51, Landry Cottage, Old Hill, Lewannick, Launceston. Application to replace all windows and doors and the Listed Building Consent for the application. REFUSED. d) Other Planning Matters. Nothing has been heard about PA24/07064 which has been called into Committee.</p>	
7	<p>Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 15th October 2024. It was RESOLVED that the Minutes are a true record of the Meeting, minutes proposed by Cllr Owens, seconded by Cllr Atkinson, with all those who had been present at that meeting in favour.</p>	
8	<p>Matters Arising from the above Minutes. The clock repair is in hand.</p>	
9	<p>Parish Matters. a) Telephone Kiosk at Lewannick. Cllr White will chase this up. The paint has been delivered. b) The decorations are to be put up in the Church by the 9th December. Cllr Jasper said that she will attend to this on the 7th.</p>	
10	<p>Highway and Footpath Matters. a) A30/B3257 junction at Bodmin Moor Services (Plusha). It was RESOLVED that Lewannick Parish Council will support Peter Allen and SPAG, proposed by Cllr Hobden, seconded by Cllr Finnimore with all in favour. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk, Linda Coles, will be the Parish Council’s representative proposed by Cllr Atkinson, seconded by Cllr White with all in favour and also that Peter Allen and Cllr Parsons will attend the Peninsular Transport Strategic Planning meeting on the 4th December with the mandate of Lewannick Parish Council. b) Landers Lake. No update.</p>	
11	<p>Play Areas and Open Spaces. The Clerk will ask Darren Humber to cut the grass again. a) Play Equipment. Nothing to report. b) Polyphant Green. Nothing to report. c) Agenda for next meeting to discuss grass cutting tenders.</p>	Clerk
12	<p>Correspondence. Circulated to Members a) VE Day 8th May 2025. It was agreed that this will be on the next agenda.</p>	Clerk
13	<p>Finance a) It was RESOLVED to make the payments for October, proposed by Cllr Atkinson, seconded by Cllr Finnimore with all in favour.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online – L Coles, Clerk’s October Salary, Office and expenses • Online – HMRC Clerks’ October PAYE • Online _ Launceston Print, Newsletter printing - £62.00 • Online – Polyphant Methodist Church, hire of hall for meeting - £15.00 • Online – I Palmer, Cottage Gardens and St Martins Close grass cutting - £125.00 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online – Darren Humber, grass cutting prior to September 2024 - £680.00 b) Receipts. Cornwall Council, CIL funding - £140.94 c) Bank Reconciliations. It was RESOLVED that the bank reconciliations for October are correct, proposed by Cllr Finnimore, seconded by Cllr Hobden d) Budget and Precept. The Clerk had circulated the budget papers for discussion at the October meeting. Following discussion it was RESOLVED to set the Precept at £30,000 for 2025/2026, the same as for 2024/25. Proposed by Cllr Atkinson, seconded by Cllr Finnimore, seven votes for and one against. e) Appointment of Internal Auditor. It was RESOLVED to appoint CL Finance Associates as the internal auditor for 2024/25. Proposed by Cllr Sleep, seconded by Cllr Owens with all in favour. f) Grant request from Cornwall Air Ambulance. It was agreed that the Council will support local organisations only; it is up to the individual to support Cornwall Air Ambulance and other similar outside bodies, and not for the Council to decide that public money should be spent in this way. 	<p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p>
14	<p>Any Other Business. The Christmas meal will be held on 17th December following the Parish Council meeting which will commence at 6.45pm. Menus are to be submitted to the Chairman by the 10th December.</p>	Clerk
15	<p>Items for the next Agenda.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VE Day • Grass Cutting tenders/quotes. 	
16	<p>Date and time of the next meeting. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 17th December 2024 and will commence at 7.30pm in Lewannick Village Hall, Lewannick.</p>	

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00pm

SignedChairman. Dated.....

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