

Launcells Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Parish Hall on Friday 7th October 2016 at 7.30pm

Present: Royston Symons, Brian Pollard, Sheridan Rosser, Christine Hobbs, Andrew Hargreaves, Margaret Cleave, Graham Tape, Paul Wingard, Paula Dolphin, Pamela Brewer (clerk), and 1 member of the public

Apologies: Peter Harwood, Maxwell Allin

PCSO Gary Langan introduced himself to councillors, reported on local police issues and answered questions. Although police levels are low everywhere, Bude police are able to call on officers from Camelford / Callington / Launceston if required. Crime figures in the area are very low and this summer has seen a reduction in anti social behaviour in Bude, which has been partly due to the vigilance of Street Pastors and improved CCTV coverage. Originally the Bude Police Station was due for closure in 2017 but that is currently under review. In answer to questions regarding parking and speeding, PCSO Langan said that much of this was now controlled by Cornwall Council's Civil Enforcement Officers. He also promised to forward details of a colleague who may be able to give advice on defibrillators and / or provide training.

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting which had been distributed were agreed and signed by Chairman Royston Symons

Matters arising:

Defibrillators - The clerk had been in touch with Fairfield Country Rest Home and they welcomed the idea of placing a defibrillator outside their premises. More advice is being taken on type of defibrillator but the majority vote (6 in favour) was for one to be controlled by ambulance or other related service. When more details have been confirmed fund raising will begin.

Grimscott Commons - To further the enforcement case reference path on the common land, Andrew Hargreaves agreed to provide the clerk with some succinct questions for forwarding to CALC

Path on Commons - It was agreed that only land on the left hand side of the lane to be considered at present as the other side is too wet. Contact to be made with Tom Rosser to find out if he is still able to do the work.

River Tamar pollution incidents - Copy of letter from Environment Agency to Scott Mann MP received. It confirms that Glendinnings have made a donation of £70,000 to the West Country Rivers Trust but promised remedial works have not yet been started. Through Freedom of Information enquires to be made on what process is available for reassessment of judge's decision.

Red Post - As previously reported a hedgerow / screening has been removed from a unit. The occupiers have assured the council that no further work is planned and as the vegetation was cut back not completely removed it should re-grow. Also a security fence is planned at some stage.

Entrance - Public concerns over new entrance on Buttsbeer X to Marhamchurch road to be investigated by Development Officer

Playing Field - Date not yet set for AGM. Cllr Symons to organise for contractor to cut the hedges. Vote of thanks expressed to Sheridan Rosser & helpers for organising "Picnic in the Park". The new "Springer" is ready to be installed. It was agreed that the parish council would offer financial support for removing old "Springer" and fitting new. Michael Vanstone of Kilkhampton to be invited to do the work.

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Finance:

Bills for payment:

Cornwall Council - repayment of clerk's September salary inc. Admin fee £186.01
Steve Jose Garden Services - checking and clearing footpaths £252.00

Cheques received from:

Gateway to Grimscott Group - £600.22 final winding up of the group
Launcells Parish News - £32.00 for adverts on website. It was considered that advertisers should be given an option of using the website as well as in the Parish News. The editor / treasurer to be informed of decision
Launcells Playing Field Committee - £395.00 reimbursement for new play equipment "Bumble Bee Springer"

Correspondence & Other Matters:

Electoral review of Cornwall Council - This is the first review of electoral divisions to take place in Cornwall since the creation of the unitary council in 2009 and it is to ensure that all councillors represent a similar number of voters.

Notice of Bude Community Network Meeting - 7pm on 10th October includes item on Planning Enforcement as requested by Launcells Parish Council - everyone invited to attend for support

Paula Dolphin Community Chest - More details to be available for next meeting. Projects to be submitted before deadline of 21/11/16

Local Maintenance Partnership footpath additions & removals for 2017 - No request to submit

Planning conferences for local councils - Penzance / St.Austell / Bodmin in November/ December

South West Seniors Network Cornwall Conference - 26th October at County Hall, Truro

Bus Shelters - Mr. Pears to be asked to clean bus shelters & mirrors

Councillor Representatives - A list of possible groups / tasks to be distributed and discussed at next opportunity.

Next meeting Friday 4th November

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