

# LAUNCELLS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in the Parish Hall on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Andrew Hargreaves, Margaret Cleave, Sheridan Rosser, Brian Pollard, Graham Tape, Royston Symons, Maxwell Allin, Peter Harwood, Paul Wingard, Pamela Brewer (clerk), Chris Monk (Cornwall Council) and 4 members of the public

**Apologies:** Paula Dolphin

**Public Comment Session:** All members of the public present were given a chance to speak.

Mr Stokes whose planning application at Launcells Barton was on tonight's agenda, briefly explained their proposals and invited any questions.

Mr Richardson read out a presentation he had prepared in which he expressed "concern about the appalling behaviour of the Chairman and the Clerk over the last month." Mr Richardson's concerns arose as a result of decision made by the council at the last meeting "unanimously agreed to write to Mr Richardson expressing the Council's appreciation of his input and suggesting he take no further part on the Councils behalf in respect of footpaths in the parish."

Mr Fry advised the meeting that SLR Consulting are conducting a study of the Lamberal Water/River Tamar on behalf of Glendinnings to assess the ecological status and to provide recommendations for its improvement.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed by the chairman.

**Vote:** Peter Harwood expressed a vote of confidence in the clerk, this was seconded by Margaret Cleave and unanimously agreed

## **Matters arising:**

**Parish Paths** - Chris Monk Senior Countryside Officer for Cormac asked councillors to seriously consider entering the Local Maintenance Partnership with Cornwall Council and claiming the small amount available towards minor maintenance and vegetation control. He said it's not always practical to let third parties install signposts but may be able to assist with volunteer coordinator and/or countryside staff. He said the department is inundated with structural failures and enforcement cases but when time permits hopes to come up with an improvement schedule for replacement signs.

**Parish Archives room** - Notification that application to Big Lottery Fund has been unsuccessful. Further applications for funding are being made.

**Red Post** - Ben Bassett, Cornwall Council's enforcement officer is still looking for any available information on new entrances. PCSO Gary Langan has looked into reported matter of vehicle parking on the verge and as "there does not appear to be a significant view obstruction" no further action will be taken. The complainants are to be informed.

**Blackpool Bridge** exploratory work expected before end of this month

**Parish Hall** - Due to abuse of the privilege of using the car park, the gates will be locked, except when the hall is in use, from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April. No further action being taken on suggestion of alterations to carpark entrance.

## **Planning Applications**

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**PA16/01431** Proposals for 4 new build eco lodges at Lower Thurlibeer for Mr. N. Atkinson - it was proposed by Paul Wingard, seconded by Graham Tape and agreed on a majority vote to object to this proposal 1. The access onto a particularly fast section of A3072 is poor and more vehicular movement should not be encouraged. 2. A full ecological survey does not appear to have taken place. 3. Increasing this holiday business by erecting 4 new units would appear to be industrialising farm land.

**PA16/00973** Listed building consent for works to dwelling and conversion of outbuildings to form accommodation associated with change of use of site and erection of new events building at Launcells Barton - No objections

**PA16/01621** Certificate of lawfulness existing use: To establish that the dwelling is not subject to an agricultural occupancy restriction at Redenen House - This application should be rejected for the same reasons as previous application PA15/07000. This application appears to be cleverly putting a different emphasis on matters but the fact still remains that it was built for agricultural occupancy and that should not be altered

**Planning Decision:** Approval - New access to existing dwelling at Yellow Leigh, Hersham

**Finance:** The following accounts were agreed for payment:

G J & Y V Pears - cleaning bus shelters at Red Post	£15.00
D Richardson - Public Rights of Way maintenance	£150.00
Cornwall Council repayment of clerk's January salary	£123.13
P Brewer - clerks expenses Nov 2015 - March 2016	£27.51
Launcells Parish Hall - Hall rental for meetings to March 2016	£77.00

**Correspondence & Reports:**

It was agreed to join Cornwall Council's Local Maintenance Partnership 2016 for cutting of vegetation on Public Rights of Way - Eligible funding is £102.  
Sheridon Rosser and helpers was thanked for organizing a Wine & Wisdom event which raised £430 for Playing Field funds.

**Other Matters:**

**Queen's official birthday in June** - Decision to be made at next meeting on whether to organize celebrations to mark the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday

**Calendars** - For some reason the sales of Launcells Community Calendars has been a struggle this year so there are no plans to produce them again in the foreseeable future

**Mirrors** - Compliments have been made on the appearance of Red Post bus shelters and it was agreed to ask Mr. Pears to clean the mirrors at Launcells Cross (2) & Hersham Cross.

**Defibrillator** - Mr. N Trebilcock representing FLEET (Front Line Emergency Equipment Trust) has agreed to attend the June meeting

**Emergency Plans** - Details of grants available to be forwarded to the sub-committee

**Maps** - Sheridon Rosser produced a further draft of map insert for Parish News which received approval, awaiting final version.

The meeting ended at 9pm

Next meeting Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April