

LAUNCELLS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held in the Parish Hall on Friday 1st September 2017 at 7.30pm

Present: Peter Harwood, Graham Tape, Royston Symons, Alan Whittle, Maxwell Allin, Margaret Cleave, Andrew Hargreaves, Paul Wingard, Brian Pollard, Pamela Brewer (Clerk), Ian Saltern (to 8pm)

Apologies -Sheridon Rosser

Parish Hall Archive Room -Ian Saltern agreed to assist the council with grant application to the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF). He explained that initially he would reassess reasons why previous applications have been refused and correspond with HLF to determine whether a further application could prove successful. Having previously worked for charities, he is now self-employed and quoted £180 per day for this interim stage. It was proposed by Paul Wingard, seconded by Andrew Hargreaves and unanimously agreed for the council to employ Ian for 2 days. He agreed to report back to next council meeting when further decisions will be made.

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

Matters arising:

Defibrillator - The defibrillator has now arrived and was shown to councillors. It was unanimously agreed to purchase an insulated box and get it installed on porch at Parish Hall. Exact price to be established but previous cost of £595 + VAT quoted and acceptable. Details on installation still to be arranged. The cost of electricity (when known) for the defibrillator and future internet connections will be borne by the parish council in liaison with the Hall Management Committee.

Community Internet Project -Temporary arrangement is still working, - Alan Whittle agreed to chase contractor for more information.

Parish Hall - A grant of £1365 has been received from the Big Lottery Fund “Awards for All”, which will now enable installation of a hearing loop system. The Hall Management will be informed when date of installation is known.

Royston Symons met with the Bath family with regard to renting / leasing a small area of their field to enlarge the Hall car park. Terms discussed included access rights for the owners, free parking for local residents and costs of the project. In principal councillors gave unanimous support and the Bath family to be thanked for their consideration to the scheme. Maxwell Allin then agreed to organise with Michael Vanstone Planthire to meet councillors on site to discuss feasibility / how many spaces would be gained / possibility of marking out various areas.

Planning - No further information available on planning concerns reference Enforcement Notice EN15/00892 and entrances onto A3072 east of Red Post.

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Planning Applications - Comments on these applications submitted between meetings:-

PA17/06092 Construction of a free range poultry house at Treyeo Farm - No objections

PA17/05734 Replacement shed. Lay new concrete pad for siting of replacement static caravan at Venn Cottage - No concerns on replacement shed. The original caravan was a temporary structure but this new static caravan would appear to be a more permanent residence. If this application is permitted it would create a precedent for other development within the countryside.

There is no clearly defined sewage and waste disposal system. It would appear that the original caravan did not have a treatment package in place. Due to the location being close to a stream it is important that sewage / waste is properly dealt with.

PA17/06452 Conversion of redundant barn into single dwelling on land south of Summerleaze - No objections provided access meets the approval of highways dept

PA17/06786 Outline application for construction of agricultural workers dwelling with all matters reserved (Resubmission of application PA16/05209) on land north of Penleaze - Nothing has changed since the last application was refused.

The Parish Council stands by its original decision to recommend that this application should be refused. There is adequate accommodation for a workers dwelling within the existing complex at Penleaze

Planning Decision:-

Approval - Construction of a free range poultry house at Treyeo Farm

Other Planning matters:

Following concerns, the matter of conversion of an agricultural building to a dwelling house on land opposite Hershams Springs was investigated and confirmation received that an application for prior approval for the change of use was submitted 2015 and in accordance with Class Q(b) of the GPDO 2015 planning permission was not required. No further action required.

Tracks and gateways on land near Hobbacott Farm were checked and have been created as per approved plans - No further action required.

Reports reference alleged creation of a driveway and laying of hard-standing areas on land south of Sunnyside, Red Post have been registered with Cornwall Council under **Enforcement notice EN17/01582** and being investigated by a Development Officer.

Alan Whittle reported on situation regarding permitted development at Barnhurst. The property is for sale and 3 covenants, put on by Planning Authority, have been broken. These matters are being dealt with by the ombudsman

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Concerns shown over lack of involvement on all planning matters - particularly at Red Post - by Cornwall Council ward member Paula Dolphin. Matter to be brought to attention of council leader & CEO.

Finance:

Accounts to 31st July 2017 were distributed for approval.

Notice of conclusion of 2016/2017 Audit was presented - there were no issues

Bills for payment:

ESP Training & Consultancy - Defibrillator	£927.60
Cornwall Council - repayment of clerk's July salary inc Admin fee	£186.01
Cornwall Association of Local Councils - Guides	£ 8.74

Reports:

Royston Symons gave a report on **Bude Community Network Panel** meeting which he attended in July. Main topics discussed included Local Health Services, new plastic recycling project, Connect Bude (initiative to reconnect Holsworthy & Bude to rail network), availability of Councillors Community Chest funds

Alan Whittle reported on **Planning Induction Training** held in Liskeard, details have not yet appeared on the planning portal. An emphasis was given on the importance of communities carrying out a Neighbourhood Plan (N/P). Many months ago, Kilkhampton and Morwenstow Parish Councils offered to join with Launcells in creating a joint N/P but this did not progress at that time. Enquiries to be made to find out if they now wish to pursue the matter

Peter Harwood reported on **Cornish Gorsedh** ceremony held in Launceston. An interesting fact being that 97% of businesses in Cornwall are owned by local people. There is still European money available and parish councils may apply - ? Archive funding with Ian Saltern

Correspondence:

Confirmation received from Pancrasweek Parish Council that the matter of new entrance onto A3072 at Barton Gate has been passed to District Councillor Ken James who is working with enforcement officer at Torridge District Council. Further updates expected.

The Local Government Boundary Review of Cornwall Council public consultation on new division boundaries is taking place September - December 2017

Results of survey on Cornish Public Toilets

Other matters:

Footpath maps - Royston Symons and Graham Tape agreed to walk footpaths 7 (Newleigh to Norton Wood) & 8 (Norton Barton to Hershams) and to report back on any findings, It is hoped that later in the year it will be possible to put a guide to these paths in the Parish News as a follow-up to document in April 2016 issue.

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Flower bed - Severe damage was caused to Gateway to Grimscott flower bed, between Grimscott and the Methodist Church at a recent road traffic accident. Police and Ambulance attended the scene and enquiries are to be made to the police for details of driver, in order to claim compensation.

Highways - Concern over road safety issues / speeding at the Mapowders Junction to be forwarded to Highways department with request for remedial works, following recent accidents.

A message posted on Facebook (Launcells Community Page) refers to damaged bridge at bottom of valley between Grimscott and Red Post. Apparently this has been reported to Cormac and a works order issued.

Horticultural Show - The 50th anniversary Show which was held in August was a great success and councillors were thanked by the chairman for entering into the spirit of the event.

River Tamar - Details of a recent pollution incidence have been reported to Environment Agency. It was also reported that flood defences at Bridgerule are not working as required.

Next meeting Friday 6th October 2017