Ludgvan Parish Council

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Minutes - 12 June 2024

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Ludgvan Parish Council held on Wednesday 12 June 2024 at 6.45pm at the Murley Hall, Ludgvan.

Councillors present: Cllrs: R Mann (Chairman), R Porter (Vice-Chair), L Brindley, L Miucci, S

Miucci, S Oliver, J Savill, four vacancies.

In Attendance: C.Cllr J Martin. Two members of the public

Officer support: Clerk/RFO

Minute No.	AGENDA ITEMS	
	Chairs Announcement – B Richards has resigned from the Council, Members expressed appreciation for the work she had carried out for the parish.	
LPC24.25 .51	To record absences and receive apologies for absence	
	Councillors absent: R Porter, Brindley, Munday	
	Apologies received from Cllrs Porter, Brindley and Munday, and from Cornwall Councillors L Taylor and A George.	
LPC24.25 .52	Declarations of Interest: None	
LPC24.25.53	To approve written requests for dispensation – No requests had been provided.	
LPC24.25 .54	Public Speaking	
	A speaker in support of the planning application spoke in support of application d) on the agenda. A single storey annex was requested, and the reason for the application was given. There would be no overlooking of neighbouring properties and intended to provide an enhanced view of the building.	
LPC24.25.55	Cornwall Councillor reports	
	Councillor Martin reported that:	
	 The planning service previously in the former Dolcoath offices has moved to offices at South Wheal Crofty. The move is now complete. Recent floods at Gladstone Terrace, Long Rock. There had been a fault with the pumping 	
	station at the mouth of the industrial estate where the overflow should have flipped a gate. The gate had been jammed, resulting in house basements being flooded. South West Water gave a swift response and the Fire Serve attended.	
	- New bins, there has been a problem where the new bins have been delivered to holiday homes, these are being collected and retrieved.	
	- Planning committee, half were decided by the committee against the recommendation of the officers.	
	- Community Link Officer — a Living Poverty fund, further funds have been secured by Cornwall Council to secure the Household Support fund for a further six months (eg struggling with utility and food bills).	

	Question – the sewage smell just past Morva Reach, by the St Ives Motor Company and the Fish Factory in Long Rock – this is being looked into by Cornwall Council and the Environment Agency.		
	Question – have there been improvements in the capacity of the planning enforcement team? Two officers are dealing with the current caseload.		
LPC24.25.56	Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 8 May 2024		
	Resolved – that the minutes of the meetings of the council, as above, having been circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.		
LPC24.25.57	Clerk's update report		
	Members noted the written report circulated prior to the meeting, and the following items were discussed:		
	- Rights of way maintenance, the decision to appoint Bob Sanders to carry out this work in 2024 was ratified.		
	- Bus shelters, update noted, and agreed that funding will be an agenda item at the July council meeting		
	 Defibrillators – agreed that the defibrillator at the Station House to be re-installed at the Station House, rather than being moved to Jordans Café, an option which had been considered. 		
	- Parish boundary signs, an agenda item for the July council meeting.		
LPC24.25.58	Committee meeting minutes – no meetings held since last council meeting		
LPC24.25.59	Reports from Councillors as representatives on outside bodies		
	Cllr Savill – policing, there is a new website giving policing information in your area. Also seeking volunteers for various roles including cleaning and checking police cars, and acting.		
LPC24.25.60	To co-opt to vacancies on the council – Lelant Ward (1 vacancy), Crowlas Ward (1 vacancy) No applications received.		
LPC24.25.62	Planning Applications		
	a) PA24/03359 – Sports field and land at Long Rock land off A30 Long Rock, TR20 8LD – Reserved matters application for approval of landscaping details following outline consent PA22/03789 dated 11.10.2022 without compliance with condition 1 of decision PA22/03790 dated 11.10.2022		
	Resolved – that the application is supported. Also it is requested that Cornwall Council ensures that the proposed landscaping is implemented in full, if approved.		
	b) PA24/03723 – Sunnyside, Back Lane, Canonstown, Hayle – Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an existing use – drainage work carried out in relation to a new dwelling.		
	Resolved – that the application is supported.		
	c) PA24/02967 – Arcadia, Trencrom Road, Lelant Downs, Hayle – Demolition of existing dwelling & barns, construction of replacement dwelling, ancillary building and associated works.		

Resolved – to object to the application as it is considered to be contrary to policies of the Cornwall Local Plan (CLP) and the Ludgvan Neighbourhood Plan (LUD):

Contrary to CLP 7.1 – outside the settlement boundary

Contrary to CLP Policy 7, paragraph 2.33 – housing in the countryside, outside the boundary of the existing settlement.

Contrary to CLP policy 7, paragraph 2.34 – replacement of existing lawful dwellings will be supported but should be broadly comparable in size, scale and bulk of the dwelling being replaced. The proposed development does not meet this criteria.

Contrary to LUD 7 – does not respect the historic area, design and materials Contrary to LUD 6 – outside the settlement boundary.

Para b) scale is significantly too great in the proposal

Para c) access – single track road, will necessitate the use of vehicles.

Para d) development in the open countryside

Para i) undermines the character of the settlement

Para iii) overdevelopment – significant increase in size of development to the size of the original buildings.

Sited in the AONB – contrary to AONB guidelines. Incongruous in the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

Contrary to CLP Policy 21, best use of land and existing buildings.

Approaching from Trencrom Lane, the proposed development would likely be visible on the skyline, this is not considered acceptable.

d) PA24/04044 – Tregarthen Farmhouse, Tregarthen, Long Rock, Penzance – Application for Permission in Principle for the demolition of domestic outbuilding and the construction of a single storey annexe (minimum of 1; maximum of 1).

Resolved – the parish council appreciates that there is a justifiable need for an annex on the site, however there is concern that the proposed building is not on the same footprint as the existing outbuilding, and so against Cornwall Council's annex guidelines. The Parish Council would be willing to consider another application if re-submitted with revised plans.

Schedule of Payments – Resolved to approve the payments to be made, as set out in the schedule

Payee	Purpose	Amount payable (inc VAT)
To be paid by online bank po	ayments	•
ICCM (Institute of Cemetery and Crematoria Management)	Annual membership subscription	£100.00
Simon Rhodes Garden and Grounds Care	Supply and fit of new gate and closing post, Church Hill allotments and associated works.	£224.31
A Waters-Moore	Allotment rent and deposit refund	£71.50
Cornwall Association of Local Councils	Training: Social media for councils, getting started LB Engage more effectively with young people LB	£108.00

		Managing difficult people and conversations LB			
	Simon Rhodes Garden and Grounds Care	Sexton duties (£138.60) Allotment clearance (£40)	£178.60		
	Ludgvan Parish Church	Murley Hall Hire (8 May meeting)	£16.00		
	Miss B Goraus	Internal audit 23.24 Inv. 2024-004	£160.00		
	Viking Direct	Office & Cllr IT (i-chargers)	£41.90		
	Staff costs, including salary, pension, PAYE, NIC		£3,198.67		
	Louise Dowe	Clerk's expenses May 2024 (Note 2)	£310.54		
	Additional:				
	Sync	Microsoft 365 business standard x 13	£1,716.00		
LPC24.25 .64	Maintenance of the Whitecros	ss monument			
	Councillors reported on a recent meeting with representative from Highways England regarding the maintenance of the land around the White Cross monument. It was appa that there are elements of the maintenance agreement that are not being complied wit example, there should be approximately 2m of grass around the monument. Noted, and expect further update to the July/August meeting.				
LPC24.25 .65	·		for judaina and donation of		
LI C24.23.03	Ludgvan Horticultural Show – To approve the annual arrangements for judging and donation of gift vouchers for prizes				
	1	vision of £30 in gift vouchers as prizes, Cllr Mann to carry out the judging for			
LPC24.25.66	Noisy motorbikes To consider	a question raised at the Annual Electo	rs meeting		
	to noisy motorbikes. This reque	g, the Parish Council had been asked to est was discuss and it was noted that t the noise emitted from motorbikes.	-		
	Agreed to advise the local residents to contact the police and Environmental Health, ideally with noise logs to call for speed and noise enforcement.				
LPC24.25. 67	Joint working with Marazion Town Council – None.				
LPC24.25.68	Bank Signatories				
		appointed as the fifth signatory in the the Council's bank accounts held with	•		
LPC24.25. 69	Review of Financial Regulation	ns			
	Members considered the draft revised Financial Regulations, based on the recently published Model Financial Regulations produced by NALC.				
	Resolved – that the Financial R	egulations be approved and adopted.			
LPC24.25.70	Review of Asset Register and a	approval of Asset Register operationa	l note		

	Members considered the revised format for the Council's Asset Register, based on good practice and in line with the updated requirements set out in the Council's Financial Regulations.
	Resolved – to approve the revised format for the Asset Register, and to note that the current version is a work in progress. Actions agreed:
	 Remove the cemetery wall from the list of assets (cost of repair) To sell the heat sensing camera as there is not a current or proposed use for it List the projector screen as a disposal, gifted to the Oasis Centre.
LPC24.25.71	Confirmation of arrangements for insurance cover
	Agreed – to seek quotes on a 3 year basis, to be an agenda item for the July Council meeting.
LPC24.25.72	Renewal of Microsoft365
	Resolved – to renew the Office365 licences for Clerk and Councillors, as per quote and for this payment to be added to the payment scheduled.
LPC24.25.73	Update from the IT and Social Media Working Group
	Councillors from the Working Group updated on the latest matters considered:
	 How to use the IT service support. Agreed to work on the basis that Councillors using the council ipads contact Freemac Ltd but should check with the Clerk first Councillors using their own device for council emails can request support related to the Council's Outlook emails, but should check with the Clerk first The IT & Social Media working group can request support regarding website modification or facebook technicalities
	Making changes to the website – the focus to be on the activities of the Council, presentation to be clear and simple. A model which could be followed: St Erth Parish Council's website. Clerk to make initial changes along these lines, and then to be reviewed.
	Facebook – Cllr Oliver is posting more items of local interest. Posting pdfs is proving to be a problem – to be resolved.
	Noted.
LPC24.25.74	To consider moving from a .org.uk domain to a .gov.uk domain for website and emails
	Agreed in principle, and for the Clerk to attend the forthcoming webinar.
LPC24.25.75	Training To consider requests and opportunities for training
	None
LPC24.25. 76	Finance report and bank reconciliation - To consider and note the budget monitoring report and bank reconciliation.
	Resolved – to note the budget monitoring report and bank reconciliation.
LPC24.25.77	Correspondence/communications
	1. Email from a local resident, requesting safety improvements to Newtown Lane
	Agreed - to reply to the resident advising that this it to be referred to the Cornwall Council Divisional Member, and refer to C.Cllr Martin.
	2. Email from Long Rock Memorial Institute Charity, regarding compensation Noted

	3. Driving/enforcement at Castle Gate – the response received from the Cornwall Council Divisional Member was noted .		
LPC24.25.78	Agenda items for a future meeting		
	 i. Any items deferred from this meeting ii. CIL – use of funds iii. Repair and renovation of the chapel building at Crowlas Cemetery – to receive an update and agree on the next actions to take, including: Asbestos Management Plan; Funding application/s (National Lottery Heritage Fund) iv. St Paul's New Cemetery a. To agree to start new second row, before the slope down to the bottom of the field (gets waterlogged in wet weather) b. To agree how to set out the cremated remains section 		
	Meeting closed: 8.47 pm Signed by Chair:		