

Luxulyan Parish Council **DRAFT** Minutes
Ordinary Meeting, THURSDAY 8 December 2022
6.00 pm, at Luxulyan Memorial Institute

PRESENT:

Cllr Michaela Linfoot (Chair), Cllr Keith Bilston (Vice-chair), Cllr Michael Grindley, Cllr Bob Hatton, Cllr Francis Payne, Cllr Carl Tonkin.

ALSO PRESENT:

Clerk to the Parish, Mrs Christine Wilson, Lockengate Ward Member Cllr Peter Guest, Luxulyan Ward Member Cllr Colin Martin, and one Member of the Public.

ABSENT:

Cllr Dan Cordy, Cllr Helen Francis, Cllr Margaret Higman, Cllr Sarah Kemp.

ABBREVIATIONS:

Councillors are abbreviated with their initials; Luxulyan Parish Council (LPC), Cornwall Council (CC), Cornwall Assoc. of Local Councils (CALC), Footpath (FP), Community Land Trust (CLT), *** indicates the Consultee Comments submitted to the Planning Authority; the general points are proposed and decided by LPC; formal submission is delegated to the Clerk.

MINUTES:

The meeting began at 6.00 PM and the Chair welcomed all.

22/135 Apologies

Apologies were received from HF, SK.

22/136 Declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

None.

22/137 Public Session

The applicant for **PA22/09912** explained his plans to develop a farm building for residential use. The councillors were able to ask questions. (See the decision at Minute 22/142.A.ii)

22/138 Meetings and governance

A The council **RESOLVED** that the minutes, as read, of the meeting held on 10 November 2022 are a true and correct record (proposed FP, 2nd KB) and they were duly signed.

B The council **RESOLVED** (proposed ML, 2nd KB) to renew the Clerk's membership in the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC).

C As the consultation is 10 weeks long (from 9 Dec'22 – 17 Feb'23) the council **DEFERRED** the response to the consultation about whether Cornwall should restructure Cornwall Council with an office of Mayor and also **DEFERRED** further discussion on whether LPC should again request a referendum on the issue.

The council **RESOLVED** (proposed ML, 2nd FP) to hold a:

Parish Meeting on Tuesday, 31st January, 7.00 pm at the Institute to discuss the pros, cons and risks of a Devolution Deal and Directly Elected Mayor. Both of Luxulyan's Cornwall Councillors will attend to answer questions: Cllr Colin Martin & Cllr Peter Guest.

LPC asked the Clerk to advertise the Parish Meeting as much as possible on notice boards, social media and the website.

22/139 Finance

A	There were no questions about the accounts and it was RESOLVED (proposed KB, 2nd ML) to receive the Clerk's reports, <i>Bank Reconciliation</i> , <i>Budget Comparison</i> and <i>Cash Flow</i> to the end of November 2022, as a correct record.	
B	The clerk has looked into getting a free credit card for LPC. One from Barclays Bank may be available, and it was AGREED that she should pursue this.	
C	The council AUTHORISED payments for December 2022 totalling £5,125.86 (proposed ML, 2nd KB).	
	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount with VAT</u>
	Clerk's salary and expenses	£1,411.10
	HMRC payment	318.01
	Clerk's Pension	79.45
	Playground inspections & repairs	325.13
	Public Convenience Cleaning Nov22	341.34
	Public Conveniences, electricity	15.48
	Granite Towers postage Dec/Jan	40.95
	Room Hire LMI Apr19-Dec22	270.00
	Keys duplicated	18.00
	Christmas Tree for Institute	40.00
	Footpaths - 1st Cut	543.20
	Footpaths - 2nd Cut	543.20
	Grass cutting	975.00
	SLCC membership	187.00
	Quarterly bank fee	18.00

22/140 Reports

A	Report on Actions. All actions completed except the letter to Companies House.
B	<p>Chair's report</p> <p>The Chair discussed various Highways problems at Carne Cross, Prideaux Road pothole with a spring below, drainage near Croft Farm Park, the broken culvert at Church Lane. These will be followed-up by the Ward Members.</p> <p>Cllr Martin emphasised that FixMyStreet.com is very efficient at bringing Highways' attention to the problems like overhanging branches, fly tipping, potholes, etc.</p>

A member of the public and Cllr Grindley left the meeting.

C	<p>Cornwall Councillor Peter Guest's report to the Parish (Lockengate Ward)</p> <p>The breaking news at the end of last week was the announcement of the details of the proposed County Deal. Now that all the facts are out there, we can have a considered debate about what is on offer and whether or not this is the right deal for Cornwall. Unfortunately, so far, a lot of the comments that you will have read in the media and the correspondence that the Parish Councils have received from certain parties have made a lot of unsubstantiated comments with limited information, now that we have the offer on the table we can have a grown up conversation about it.</p> <p>Public consultation on the deal begins on Monday 9th December and runs for 10 weeks. This is important and I would encourage you to participate in the consultation. A briefing was held for Parish councils last week and I have attached a copy of the link to the brief at the bottom of this report for those of you that haven't had a chance to see it yet.</p> <p>https://vimeo.com/cornwallcouncil/bigdeal. As always, I'm happy to talk through the offer and field any questions or queries you may have.</p>
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Last week, I attended ‘The Annual Conversation’ in New County Hall. This was a sitting of the Cornwall Youth Parliament. The Youth Parliament is drawn from young people aged 8 to 18 from all over the Duchy who have been elected by their peers. As with last year’s event, I was inspired and impressed by the knowledge, commitment and enthusiasm of these young people. The sub committee I was working with focussed on Mental health, the work continues and it was enlightening to have their perspective on this very important subject.

You may or may not be aware that Cornwall Council has announced a Household Support Fund. This is aimed at families whose children are entitled to Free School Meals. Each family will receive a payment of £80 per child and it will be administered by the schools. I think that every little piece of help we can give our residents in these challenging times should be celebrated. Recently I circulated a handy guide of contact numbers for organisations advising, signposting and helping residents. If you are approached for help, please get in touch and I can either send you a copy or talk to the residents themselves.

In the last couple of weeks, we have set up a community hub in St Stephens. This is based on the very successful model we developed in Bugle. Bugle started life during lockdown as a room in the Sunday school which was booked for a couple of hours once a month, tea, coffee and cake were provided and it gave residents an opportunity to meet and chat with other people. It has grown considerably since then and now, on the first Tuesday of every month, you can come along, get advice and assistance on a variety of matters such as physical and mental health, benefits, housing, Cornwall Council matters etc, or, just have a chat and a cuppa! We bring along various experts and we have a private room where people can go and have a confidential conversation and be signposted to help with their problems. It has been successful, so much so that ITV are coming to do a short piece for telly at our next meeting in the new year. If you think this is a project that would benefit the Parish, I’m quite happy to start the ball rolling.

It’s the time of year when all our Christmas fairs, carol services etc are going on, it’s only the second week of December and I’m ‘All mince pied out’ already! If you have any more coming up, please let me know and I will do my best to come along and support you.

As this will probably be our last meeting before the festivities begin, can I take this opportunity to thank you for all the work you have done and the support you have given me over the past year. I feel a lot has been achieved and much of that is down to your hard work and dedication.

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you and yours.

Peter | 07947 826627 | cllr.peter.guest@cornwall.gov.uk

D Cornwall Councillor Colin Martin (Luxulyan Ward) gave a verbal report to the Parish including current waiting times in hospital emergency rooms, new holiday-let legislation, Adult Health & Social Care. He will be Acting Liberal Democrat Leader at Cornwall Council for the next 6 months.

22/141 Considerations

A The council **RESOLVED** (proposed FP, 2nd ML) that the clerk should write to the Affordable Housing Team to ask that the S106 funds of £25,856 earmarked for affordable housing in Luxulyan parish are spent on the upcoming affordable housing schemes at Chapel Field and the three remaining plots at Beswetherick Field.

B The council **RESOLVED** (proposed ML, 2nd CT) to purchase a Christmas Tree and decorate it with lights for the Memorial Institute.
ACTON: ML & FP

22/142 Planning

A Planning issues and correspondence. Planning decisions are reported in Clerk’s Notes and on the website.

<p>i. R Sundercombe, developer/builder, and his partner for this project, Coastline Housing, will be at the next meeting on 12th January to discuss a 100% affordable housing project across from the Village Hall, Chapel Field.</p>
<p>ii. PA22/09912 Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Change of use of Agricultural buildings to dwellinghouses (use Class C3). Land North Of Pentire Farm Lanivet Bodmin Cornwall PL30 5HU. No consultee comments are requested for this application; however, after looking at the plans and discussion with the applicant the council RESOLVED (proposed FP, 2nd BH) to send the following comment to the case officer: *** Luxulyan Parish Council was pleased to see the applicant at the meeting. The councillors were able to ask questions and discuss the documents. The Council has NO OBJECTION that this be considered a Class Q development.</p>
<p>B Beswetherick update. Nothing to report.</p>
<p>C StARR project update. Nothing to report.</p>
<p>D Applications for consultee comments and Pre-applications for comments submitted to the case officer.</p>
<p>i. PA22/10229 Non-material amendment in relation to decision notice PA21/07107 dated 19/11/2021 for change of materials to roof covering from natural slate to cabrian slate or similar, external wall vertical cladding from natural timber to cedar cladding in slate grey, external render from white colour to light grey colour and windows from aluminium to UPVC (same grey colour) Land South East Of Treskilling Farm Cottage Treskilling Luxulyan PL30 5EJ. The council looked at the plans and discussed the application and RESOLVED (proposed ML, 2nd FP) to submit the following consultee comments: *** Luxulyan Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this application.</p>
<p>ii. PA22/10318 Works to trees subject to a tree preservation order - Oak (T19) has suffered extensive storm damage. The proposal is to remove the remaining stem and replant with a Sessile Oak standard in its place. Garden Cottage Prideaux St Blazey Par Cornwall PL24 2SS The council discussed the application and the tree officer’s opinion and RESOLVED (proposed ML, 2nd FP) to submit the following consultee comments: *** Luxulyan Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this application.</p>
<p>iii. PA22/09462 Retrospective planning application for van repair garage. Penince Estate St Blazey Cornwall PL24 2SU The council discussed the application and RESOLVED (proposed FP, 2nd KB) to submit the following consultee comments: *** Luxulyan Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this application.</p>

22/143 Highways & Flooding

See Minute 22/140.B. Cllr Martin emphasised that FixMyStreet.com is good at bringing Highways’ attention to problems like overhanging branches, fly tipping, potholes, etc.

22/144 Assets – reports and maintenance

<p>A Playing Field.</p>
<p>i. Playing Field inspections for month were received and NOTED.</p>
<p>ii. The council discussed various forms of ‘play chips’ for the play equipment and asked</p>

	the clerk to get quotes for various suitable surfaces. ACTION: Clerk
B	Cemetery. Nothing to report.
C	Footpaths. CT will look at the Footpath by the school again. ACTION: CT
D	Luxulyan Memorial Institute. Committee meeting on Thurs, 5 th January, 6.00 pm.
E	Village Toilets. The clerk reported two Wallgate units are malfunctioning, and it was RESOLVED (proposed ML, 2 nd BH) to have Cormac Solutions fix them.
F	Grit Bins. The salt/grit is ready to collect. ML & BH will distribute it to LPC's grit bins. ACTION: ML & BH

22/145 Parish Matters – reports

A	Luxulyan Parish Community Fund. Nothing to report.
B	Luxulyan Valley Partnership. The council RECEIVED a letter from E.Harradence about the Luxulyan Valley Partnership and Cllr Martin, Chair of the Partnership, promised to forward his response and the response of Cllr Martyn Alvey, Cabinet Member for Environment and Climate Change.
C	Village Hall Committee. Unfortunately, MH was unable to attend the AGM.

22/146 Correspondence & Invitations

	Nothing to report outside these Minutes and Clerk's Notes.
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22/147 Business for the next meeting

	No business was requested.
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22/148 Second Public Session for feedback from the public

	None.
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22/149 Dates of next meetings.

A	An extraordinary meeting may be called by the Chair if needed for planning or other business. An agenda would be posted 3 clear days before.
B	The Audit Panel will meet an hour before the ordinary meeting at 5.00 pm on 12 th January at the Institute.
C	Ordinary Meeting Thurs, 12 January 2023, 6.00 pm at the Luxulyan Memorial Institute.
D	Parish Meeting, Tuesday, 31st January 2023, 7.00 pm at the Institute. ALL INVITED TO HEAR THE FACTS ABOUT A DIRECTLY ELECTED MAYOR FOR CORNWALL. Both of Luxulyan's Cornwall Councillors, Colin Martin and Peter Guest will answer questions. The Parish can send a response to Cornwall Council in favour or against a directly elected mayor.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm and the Chair thanked everyone for attending.

Mrs C Wilson ~ Parish Clerk ~ 9 December 2022

SIGNED:

THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES.

Chair: _____ Date: _____