# Luxulyan Parish Council **DRAFT** Minutes Ordinary Meeting, THURSDAY 12 May 2022, 6.50 pm Luxulyan Memorial Institute, following the Annual Meeting

#### PRESENT:

Cllr Michaela Linfoot (Chair), Cllr Keith Bilston (Vice-chair), Cllr Dan Cordy, Cllr Helen Francis, Cllr Michael Grindley, Cllr Margaret Higman, Cllr Sarah Kemp, 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 no Members of the Public.

#### ABSENT:

Cllr Bob Hatton.

### **ABBREVIATIONS:**

Councillors are abbreviated with their initials; Luxulyan Parish Council (LPC), Cornwall Council (CC), Cornwall Assoc. of Local Councils (CALC), Footpath (FP), \*\*\* 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 6.50 PM and the Chair welcomed all.

## 22/14 Apologies

Apologies were received from BH.

22/15 Declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

None.

## 22/16 Public Session

None.

## 22/17 Meetings and governance

- A The council **RESOLVED** that the minutes, as read, of the meeting held on 14 April 2022 are a true and correct record (proposed KB, 2nd HF) and they were duly signed.
- B There was no proposal for a response to the NALC Direct Funding Survey.

## 22/18 Finance

- A The new group that has formed in the parish and has leased the Glebe land between the Church and the lower Cemetery is called *Luxulyan Environment Green Glebe Space* (LEGGS). They will use the land as a conservation and recreation area and have requested financial help from the parish council with the lease. However, it was reported that the tenancy agreement is not yet ready, so this item was **DEFERRED**. The parish council looks forward to discussing this at their next meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> June.
- B Decisions about the AGAR (Annual Governance & Accountability Return) were **DEFERRED** because the report from the internal auditor is not yet ready and the council must consider this first before completing the AGAR.
- C The council **AUTHORISED** payments for May 2022 totalling £1,300.44 (proposed SK, 2nd CT).

Description	Amount with VAT	VAT
Clerk's salary and expenses	£1,046.74	-
HMRC payment	£96.10	-
Clerk's Pension	£40.23	-
Playground inspections	£60.00	-
Public Conveniences, electricity	£14.03	0.66
Public conveniences, water	£43.34	-

## 22/19 Reports

- A Report on Actions. The roofs of the Toddler and Junior Multi-play equipment in the play area have not yet been replaced.
- B Chair's report. See the Annual Parish Meeting held earlier.
- C Cornwall Councillor Peter Guest's report to the Parish (Lockengate Ward) ANNUAL REPORT.

It's been a year since the local elections. It has been a busy old time, I know what I signed up for and I wouldn't have it any other way. I'd like to start this report by thanking the Chair and the Clerk as well you the Parish councillors for making me feel welcome in my new role, for all your help, advice and guidance. It has been invaluable.

I now sit on various committees and outside bodies, it has been a steep learning curve and I will continue to work hard especially in the areas of Children & Families, Adult education and skills training for people to improve their life prospects. Another subject that I'm currently in the learning stage with and hope to make some positive change in over the next year is disability access in general.

The bulk of my work has quite rightly been residents casework. As I've said before, the reason that I stood for election in the first place was to help local people and try and improve their general quality of life.

I've built up a close working relationship with both the Chair and the Clerk, attended local events and tried to support community initiatives where I could. While we're on that subject, this year's Community Chest funds will shortly become available and I'm keen to hear from any local groups who may benefit from it.

I'm aware that I haven't been able to spend as much time in Lockengate as I would like to and this is something I intend to rectify in the coming year.

Provision [or lack of] bus services in and around the village is currently on the radar. I've involved our local M.P. in this and it is hoped that in the following weeks some progress will be made.

The major event looming on the horizon will be the start of the A30 link road to St Austell. There will be disruption but, hopefully long term, our Parish will benefit from this project. Although it has been hit with various delays such as the pandemic, legal issues, rising costs, etc, it is going ahead.

There are other exciting projects in the pipeline and it is hoped these will start to progress in the coming years.

As the ruling administration in Cornwall, we have had to take some tough but necessary decisions in our first year in office. There will be some more to come, but the aspiration in our second year is to start putting in place our plans for a thriving Cornwall making it a brilliant place to grow up in, a safe and prosperous county for all. It may well be that in order to deliver on some of our major plans, we will have to have a Directly Elected Leader who will have access to extra funding and powers. As we speak, the full

details haven't been released. We currently do not know what extra powers a D.E.L. and Council will have, or how much money is in the pot. Until that information is available, I personally don't feel I can make a considered decision on whether we go for the extra devolved powers and funding or stay as we are. There are economic, legislative and democratic implications whichever path we as a County choose to go down and I'm sure this debate will dominate the headlines in the coming months. I have prepared a briefing paper and if you would like a copy, please get in touch.

That in summary is a whistle-stop tour of my first year working for you, once again, thank you for all your support and here's to a fruitful and positive year to come. Peter | cllr.peter.guest@cornwall.gov.uk | 07947 826627.

D Cornwall Councillor Colin Martin gave a detailed oral report, updating the council on the planning applications to which the council objected, and which have not yet been decided. He also briefed the council on some major decisions and cutbacks at Cornwall Council that could affect the delivery of services and will affect the quality of life for many in Cornwall.

Cllr Martin apologised for not attending all Luxulyan's meetings. This is due to the very large number of parishes in his division and another parish has meetings on the same night of the month.

Cllr Martin is Chair of the Luxulyan Valley Partnership and updated the council on the new structure. Working Parties will be made up of volunteers and will report to the Partnership. The Working Parties will carry out the majority of the work and the Partnership's job will be to coordinate the groups. On 21<sup>st</sup> June the Valley Partnership will hold its AGM in Luxulyan Village Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend and there will also be displays about the work of the Partnership. The public will have the opportunity to volunteer for the Working Parties and contribute to the improvement of Luxulyan Valley.

## 22/20 Considerations

A The council **RESOLVED** (proposed ML, 2nd CT) that the Clerk should apply for a free Landmark Tree to plant in the winter of 2022/23. With funding support from the Woodland Trust, Forest for Cornwall is offering every parish a free tree.

**ACTION: Clerk** 

## 22/21 Planning

- A Planning issues and correspondence. Planning decisions are reported in Clerk's Notes and on the website.
- B Beswetherick update. Cllr Guest is keeping an eye on the legal matters, though the legal team has explained that the details are commercially sensitive and cannot be divulged.
- C StARR project update. FP attended the recent StARR Project information day.
- D Applications for consultee comments.
  - i. PA22/02582 | Demolition of Greenhouse and erection of new annex | Southernhay Access To Southernhay Lockengate Bugle Cornwall PL26 8RZ

The council looked at the plans briefly and decided on a site visit. The Clerk will arrange the visit for Wed, 18 May at 6.30 pm. An extraordinary meeting to decide consultee comments will take place on Thursday, 19 May at 6pm in the Institute.

**ACTION: Clerk** 

- ii. PA22/03815 | Certificate of lawfulness for the existing occupation of Outer Savath, for a continuous period in excess of 10 years, in breach of the Agricultural Occupancy Condition (7) of in respect of application number 89/12/01194 (C2/89/01194). | Outer Savath Savath Lane Lockengate Bugle PL26 8SA.
   The council discussed the application and RESOLVED (proposed ML, 2nd FP) to
  - \*\*\* Luxulyan Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this application.

submit the following consultee comments:

iii. PA22/04239 | Submission of details to discharge Conditions 3 and 4 in respect of decision notice PA21/09387 | Land North West Of 12 St Cyriac St Cyriac Luxulyan Cornwall PL30 5QA

The council discussed the application and **RESOLVED** (proposed ML, 2nd KB) to submit the following consultee comments:

\*\*\* Luxulyan Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this application.

## 22/22 Highways & Flooding

- A The clerk reported on the reply from Highways after LPC raised concerns about the solid lines on the bridge. Previously the lines were dashed. Highways stated: "As this is only advisory lining, there should be no reason to make any alterations at this stage, and vehicles have adequate visibility to give and take, and to give way to pedestrians."
- B The council **RESOLVED** (proposed MG, 2<sup>nd</sup> FP) to fill in an Expression of Interest form for a hardstanding platform across the A391 from the main bus shelter at Lockengate so that students can keep their feet clean and dry when waiting for the school bus. ACTION: Clerk

# 22/23 Assets – reports and maintenance

- A Playing Field. Playing Field inspections for April were received and **NOTED**. It was **RESOLVED** (proposed ML, 2<sup>nd</sup> KB) at accept the quote for £72.95 from the Play Inspection Co. for an annual inspection of the play area and equipment.
- B Cemetery. MH reported that the wreaths of dead flowers are often left hanging on the fenceposts and this is unsightly. It would be best to put them in the bin labelled for wreaths, or if they don't fit, to take them home.
- C Defibrillator proposed at Croft Farm. MG reported that the residents' association will meet to discuss this next week and coordinate a site with the manager.
- D Footpaths. FP reports that Cornwall Council has found the funds to repair the Saints Way boardwalk in partnership with the West Country River Trust.
- E Luxulyan Memorial Institute. Nothing to report
- F Village Toilets. ML and DC will be meeting this month with a company to consult about the best way to renovate the toilets and will also request a quote. Quotes can then be requested from other companies.

ACTION: ML, DC

G Carne Cross trees. The landowner advised LPC that the trees that overhang the road at Carne Cross will be pruned back in the autumn after the birds have nested.

# 22/24 Parish Matters – reports

- A Luxulyan Parish Community Fund. Nothing to report.
- B Luxulyan Valley Partnership. See Cllr Martin's report at Minute 22/19.D.

C Village Hall Committee. Nothing to report.		
22/25 Correspondence & Invitations		
Nothing to report outside the Clerk's Notes.		
22/26 Business for the next meeting		
No business was requested.		
22/27 Second Public Session for feedback from the public		
None.		
22/28 Dates of next meetings.		
A Extraordinary Meeting 19 May 2022, 6.00 pm at the Luxulyan Memorial Institute.		
B Ordinary Meeting 9 June 2022, 6.00 pm at the Luxulyan Memorial Institute.		
The meeting closed at 20.20 pm and the Chair thanked everyone for attending.		
Mrs C Wilson ~ Parish Clerk ~ 18 May 2022		
SIGNED:		
THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES.		
Chair: Date:		