Luxulyan Parish Council **DRAFT** Minutes Ordinary Meeting, THURSDAY 13 JUNE 2024 6.00 pm, at Luxulyan Memorial Institute

PRESENT:

Cllr Keith Bilston (acting Chair), Cllr Helen Francis, Cllr Michael Grindley, Cllr Bob Hatton, Cllr Sarah Kemp, 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 three Members of the Public.

ABSENT:

Cllr Michaela Linfoot (Chair), Cllr Dan Cordy (Vice-chair), Cllr Margaret Higman, Cllr Francis Payne.

ABBREVIATIONS:

Councillors may be 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 6.04 PM. The council APPOINTED (proposed MG, 2nd CT)

Cllr Bilston as Chair for this meeting and the Chair welcomed all.

24/27 Apologies

Apologies were received from ML, DC MH, FP.

24/28 Declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

None.

24/29 Public Session

A Three members of the public, neighbours of the sewage treatment plant, came to report on the noise nuisance they have suffered during May. The council also received an email from a neighbour who couldn't attend the meeting.

Tankers have been entering and leaving the treatment plant every 20 minutes day and night for the entire month of May. The unverified reason for all this traffic is that the treatment plant is pumping solid waste into tankers and taking it away to Saltash or Hayle to avoid overspill into the River Par. Whatever the reason behind it, the constant noise from tankers and pumps is much too loud and irregular to relegate to 'background noise' and is, therefore, also impossible sleep through. Neighbours cannot open windows because of the noise and one person has resorted to padding walls with blankets to absorb the noise. Sometimes earplugs are needed.

It appears that the traffic and pumping has lessened in the last few days; however, the nearby residents are very worried it will begin again.

Residents have tried without success to contact South West Water which is responsible for the plant. They have contacted the Environmental Protection Office at Cornwall Council.

The residents request that the parish council help them to get an explanation for this unsettling disturbance. They also need advisory notices about any future disturbances.

Cllr Martin received details from the members of the public and will follow this up. The Clerk will write to SWW and/or the Environmental Protection Team at Cornwall Council.

ACTION: Cllr Martin and Clerk

Cllr Hatton gave his apologies for leaving the meeting early and two members of the public also left.

B Cllr Martin requested to give his report because he needed to leave early. See his report at Minute 24/32.E.

Cllr Martin gave his apologies and left the meeting.

24/30 Meetings and governance

- A The council **RESOLVED** that the minutes, as read, of the ANNUAL meeting held on 9 May 2024 are a true and correct record (proposed CT, 2nd SK) and they were duly signed.
- B The council **RESOLVED** that the minutes, as read, of the ORDINARY meeting held on 9 May 2024 are a true and correct record (proposed HF, 2nd KB) and they were duly signed.
- C The council **REVIEWED** the Draft Minutes of the Parish Meeting held 9 May 2024 and agreed that the draft was accurate. The minutes are reviewed now whilst still fresh in memory, but they will be approved and signed at the next Parish Meeting, scheduled for next May.

24/31 Finance

- A There were no questions about the accounts and it was **RESOLVED** (proposed KB, 2nd HF) to receive the Clerk's reports, *Bank Reconciliation* and *Budget Comparison* to the end of May 2024, as a correct record.
- B The council **AUTHORISED** payments for June 2024 totalling £2.460.94 (proposed CT, 2nd MG).

Description	Amount with VAT	VAT
Clerk's salary and expenses	£1,183.83	-
HMRC payment	118.17	-
Clerk's Pension	50.05	-
Playground inspections	150.00	-
Public Conveniences, electricity	32.64	1.55
Public Convenience Cleaning, 6 weeks	742.50	-
Granite Towers postage	46.50	-
Public conveniences, unblocking drain	s 114.00	19.00
Office supplies	5.25	0.88
Bank Service Charge, 1st quarter	18.00	-

24/32 Reports

A Report on Actions

i. Date for the change to the new website is not yet set. The new website address will be luxulyan-pc.gov.uk. The clerk's new email address will be clerk@luxulyan-pc.gov.uk but the old addresses will also work for some time.

- ii. The Feast Week committee are pulling out all the stops to make Feast Week a great week for all the parish. It was **AGREED** that if hardcore were needed for the entrance to the playing field, the parish council would pay for it.
- iii. FP 408/14 handrail: see Cllr Martin's report below at D.
- iv. Those attending Defibrillator training at the Institute, 10am, Saturday, 29th June do not need to register. The Clerk handed out many posters to advertise the training and details have been posted on Facebook.
- B Chair's report. None.
- C Projects Report. SK reported that many people have mentioned that the village is looking unkempt and unbeautiful. The bus stop needs some TLC. As the *Bodwen Solar Park Fund Questionnaire* was completed some time ago (still available on the website under *Our Community*), the Projects Working Party would like to place an article in the Granite Towers to ask the parish what they want to do with the money available to the parish council and it was **AGREED** that they should. Clerk advised about the deadline for Granite Towers.
- D Cornwall Councillor Peter Guest's report to the Parish (Lockengate Ward). None to avoid any possible conflict with the pre-election period of sensitivity in which government and local authority resources may not be used for party political campaigning.

Cllr Guest delivered a speech at the very moving D-Day Anniversary commemoration and will forward his speech to the council.

He reminded the parish that he has Community Chest funding available for local projects.

- E Cornwall Councillor Colin Martin's report to the Parish (Luxulyan Ward).
 - Cornwall Council is awaiting the outcome of the Beswetherick appeal in order to consider how to proceed with the issues there.
 - Cornwall Council has offered to put in a new handrail for FP 14 to prevent falls. The Clerk has given CC a contact person to discuss the handrail and we await the work.
 - The Luxulyan Valley Partnership aspires to open a continuous Tramway from the viaduct to Luxulyan Railway Station and they are in conversation with the landowners.

24/33 Considerations

- A CLT bank statements are still going to Mr Wright's house. He delivered them to ML.
- B Consideration of two dog bins was **DEFERRED**.
- C The noise at the sewage plant. See the Public Session.

24/34 Planning

- A Of note. There was no report on the biodiversity training.
- B Correspondence. Planning decisions are reported in Clerk's Notes.
- C There were no applications for consultee comments.

24/35 Highways & Flooding

None reported.

24/36 Assets – reports and maintenance

- A Playing Field. Playing Field inspections for May 2024 were received and **NOTED**.
- B Cemetery. Nothing to report.

- C Footpaths. See Colin Martin's report.
- D Luxulyan Memorial Institute. Nothing to report.
- Village Toilets. There will be a meeting on Thurs, 20th June, 6pm, to decide exactly what needs to be done and in what order. It was **RESOLVED** to purchase temporary toilet roll holders to replace the two needed.

24/37 Parish Matters – reports

- A Luxulyan Parish Community Fund. There is a beautiful new logo which will be at the top of the LPCF page on the website. SK reported on the funded projects of Feast Week, Luxulyan School ducklings and Village Hall improvements.
- B Luxulyan Valley Partnership. AGM 26th June 5.30 pm, Redmoor School.
- C Village Hall Committee. No report.
- 24/38 Correspondence & Invitations (complete list in Clerk's Notes)

Nothing to report outside these Minutes and Clerk's Notes.

24/39 Business for the next meeting

Decide date of next Annual Parish Council meeting. Dog bins.

24/40 Dates of next meetings.

- A It was **RESOLVED** (proposed KB, 2nd CT) to move the Ordinary Meeting in July to **Thursday, 18th July 2024** in order to avoid conflicting with Feast Week. The meeting will be at the Luxulyan Memorial Institute, 6.00 pm.
- B The Audit Panel will meet half an hour before the ordinary meeting at the Institute on Thursday, 18th July 2024.
- C 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.

The meeting closed at 7.25 pm and the Chair thanked everyone for attending.

Mrs C Wilson ~ Parish Clerk ~ 16 June 2024

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Chair:	Date: