LUXULYAN PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT Minutes of the meeting held in the Luxulyan Memorial Institute at 7.00 pm on
THURSDAY 11th JULY 2013


ALSO PRESENT: Mr C Pound, Area Manager for Post Offices in Cornwall & Devon, CC S Rix.

ABSENT: none

The meeting began at 7.00. The Chairman welcomed all.

13/035 Apologies for absence. None.

13/036 Declarations of interest from Members re:
   a) Agenda Items. None
   b) Requests for Dispensation. None.

13/037 Public Session. No intersessions.

13/038 Minutes.
   a) Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 9th May 2013 were confirmed unanimously. Proposed Cllr Haywood, 2nd Cllr Linfoot and duly signed by the Chairman.
   b) Minutes of Planning Committee held on 23rd May 2013 were confirmed by those present at the planning meeting. Prop Cllr Olford, 2nd Cllr Fahey and duly signed by the Chairman.
   c) Minutes of ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 13 June 2013 were confirmed unanimously. Proposed Cllr Haywood, 2nd Cllr Linfoot and duly signed by the Chairman.

The Chairman explained that Mr Pound was here to discuss the future of the Post Office in Luxulyan. The report and discussion, minuted under 13/047, was held at this time.

13/039 CC Rix’s report.
   ❖ Said there may be grants to help rural communities keep their Post Office and Shop.
   ❖ He has been appointed to the Advisory Committee on Health & Adult Care and will be working to unify many separate organisations within the NHS in Cornwall to save on admin costs and improve communication and care for patients. A trial unified system is working well in Torbay.
   ❖ Will organise a meeting in August for Senior Cabinet members & officers to discuss the proposed Bodwen solar farm.
   ❖ His surgery is the 1st Saturday of the month, 11.30 am – 12.15 pm. The Luxulyan Memorial Institute was deemed a good place for the surgery and Cllr Eich explained there will be no charge as it is a surgery, but there may be a conflict with the Seed Swap. The Cornish Guardian should be informed.

13/040 PCSO Phillips’ report. None. It was delegated to the Clerk to send a reminder to PCSO Phillips closer to our meeting date.

   ❖ The door of the meeting room needs a handle. The notice board will be repainted and replaced. The outside paint job is very well done!
AGM on 4th July was short. All members were re-elected. Meetings will now be bi-monthly. They are still awaiting grant money which will then put them back in the black. More fundraising necessary. The Seed Swap continues and there will be a Craft Fair. Any other fundraisers welcome.

13/042 **Luxulyan Toilets.**

- Disabled toilet is now open. The others will be in the next few days because the final work has been done, except the signs which are delayed.
- The Clerk reported a mystery invoice for £69.30 from Cormac re the Toilets. She will request an itemised invoice.

13/043 **Correspondence.**

a) Reg of Interest forms to be dated. More information needed.

b) Invitation to Wheal Martyn re Conservation Mgmt Plan. The Chairman might attend.

c) Ponts Mill Turbine Expenditure & Income 2012/13, from Terri Winchester, Countryside Partnerships Officer; received and attached.

d) Parish SURVEY online, by Cornwall Rural Community Council. As the Clerk is too new, it will be forwarded to Cllr Austin.

e) CALC Good Cllrs Guide, form. The Clerk will request 6 copies.

13/044 **Finance.**

a) Quarterly Finance Report. A working party met with the Clerk on 9 July. The Clerk has not yet compiled a Report, so it was postponed until the next meeting. The two accounts are currently: Instant Access Acct on 10th June, £5,805.32. Treasurer’s Acct (checking) on 4th June, £39,472.08. The Clerk will arrange to move £30,000 from the checking acct into the acct that earns a little bit of interest.

b) Two Payments authorised. Proposed Cllr Olford; 2nd Cllr Keam.

i. Clerk’s salary & expenses, £349.30.

ii. The Play Inspection Co., yearly playground inspection, £71.94.

iii. Alison Hawken, the cleaner, did not invoice because the toilets were closed.

c) Cheque received from AC Richards, Funeral Directors, £210.00

d) Consideration of use for extra funds. Postponed for the near future.

e) The Audit Commission returned a report with no matters for concern. The Council finances are in accordance with proper practices, legislation and regulations. The Notice of Conclusion of Audit will be posted on all notice boards shortly.

13/045 **Neighbourhood Planning.** A short discussion about the pros and cons. The cost is high and a Plan doesn’t necessarily allow a Parish to deny an application, just to say where it can go.

13/046 **Planning.**

a) Report on planning decisions.

i. **PA12/10295 APPROVED** Mr Ben Oliver. Treskilling Dry Luxulyan Cornwall PL30 5EF. Proposed splitting up of existing Unit 3 to form 2 x units. Construction of 6 new units (commercial) and 3 garages (domestic or
commercial). Use of buildings B1a, B1c, and B8 (business/general industrial/storage).

ii. **PA13/03573** REFUSED Mrs A Thomas Chavestan Carne Cross St Blazey Par Cornwall. Proposed siting of three mobile homes and erection of three day rooms

iii. **PA13/00824**. REFUSED Mr Cliff Fox. Kernick Farm Luxulyan Bodmin Cornwall PL30 5DX. Installation and operation of a single 500kW wind turbine (maximum hub height 50m, maximum blade tip 74m)

iv. **PA12/08624**. APPEAL Mr Paul Rogers Pentire Farm, Lanivet, Bodmin PL30 5HU. Conversion of horticultural building to two holiday units for short term letting.

b) Planning correspondence.

i. The Clerk spoke with Case Officer Tim Warne ref: Solar Park and Strategic Planning Meeting. Possibly 29th Aug County Hall 10 am.

ii. A letter will be sent to a member of the public to clarify provenance of solar panels on public buildings in Luxulyan.

c) Applications


**SUPPORT**. The Council expresses their unanimous enthusiastic approval of an energy producing mechanism which has such a small footprint compared to the energy it will produce. Proposed Cllr Keam, 2nd Cllr Austin.


13/047 **Matters for Report.**

a) **Luxulyan Post Office**. Mr Pound confirmed that Post Office Ltd. is committed to maintaining a P.O. in Luxulyan if the community wants one. He will find a Sub-postmaster to fill in the gap until a new Postmaster/mistress can be found. After a discussion of various possible venues, Mr Pound said he will look into them all and inform us of any new venue and the schedule of interim opening times.

b) **Community Land Trust**. No reply to the letter sent by the Clerk to Mr Whitcomb of Rural Foundations CIC re street lights and footpath for the affordable homes. May Whetter & Grose estate agents have employed Mr Oliver to see to the sewage system.
c) **Flooding issues** – Rosemelling. It was reported that the drains have been cleared but the earth has not yet been cut back from the road.

d) No meeting or report for the School Management Committee; Luxulyan Valley Partnership; Village Hall Committee; Community Network Area.

e) Council website: [www.luxulyanpc.co.uk](http://www.luxulyanpc.co.uk).

   i. The Clerk reported that there is a new Planning page on the council website which lists the Ref No. and basic details for each application, approval, refusal, enforcement, etc.

   ii. Website suggestions for the Clerk to investigate: 1) Monitor the number of ‘hits’; 2) ‘Highways & Hedges’ page where members of the public could report and send in photographs of problems; 3) Comments section; 4) Events page; 5) list more Local Businesses.

13/048 **Playing Field.**

   a) Inspection of the Playing Field 2013. The most serious problem was one of moderate risk. Cllr Linfoot explains that most of the problems can be resolved easily, but require some skill to follow health and safety guidelines. The Clerk will get quotes for the work.

   b) The Playing Field stock valuation for 2013 is £49,813.50.

   c) Dead snake on Playing Field. The Pre-school and School have been informed. The Clerk has posted information about snakes (adders and grass snakes) on the website. Cllr Linfoot will find out when the grass will be cut.

13/049 **Cemetery & Open Spaces.**

   a) Reports

      i. Bus Stop, verges either side need cutting. Clerk will write to Highways.

      ii. Clerk will follow up: Dangerous Junction, still dangerous. Bodwen speed bumps, email sent to CC. Ash trees nr Railway bridge. Email sent to Forestry.

   b) Quotes for tree trimming in the cemetery. One quote has arrived. The Clerk will write to two more businesses.

   c) Parish Cemetery Provision survey from CC to be filled out by the Clerk.

13/050 **Footpaths.** No report.

13/051 **Business for the next meeting.**

   a) Rosemelling Junction

13/052 Dates of next meetings: Planning if needed July 25th, **Full Council August 8th 2013.** Both at 7pm, Luxulyan Memorial Institute.

   *The Chairman thanked everyone who came and closed the meeting at 9.45 pm.*

   *Mrs C Wilson ~ Parish Clerk*