

LUXULYAN PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the meeting held in the Luxulyan Memorial Institute at 7.00 pm on
THURSDAY 8th AUGUST 2013

PRESENT: Cllr C Austin (Chair), Cllr G Haywood, Cllr C Eich, Cllr R Keam, Cllr D Olford, Cllr J Fisher, Cllr M Linfoot. Parish Clerk: Mrs C Wilson.

ALSO PRESENT: CC S Rix, and 4 members of the public

ABSENT: Cllr B Fahey

The meeting began at 7.00. The Chairman welcomed all. A couple just moved in to the Parish came to introduce themselves and the Council welcomed them.

13/053 **Apologies for absence.** Cllr B Fahey for personal reasons. PCSO Phillips because of an early shift.

13/054 **Declarations of interest** from Members re:

- a) Agenda Items. Cllr Keam, item 13/060
- b) Requests for Dispensation. None.

13/055 **Public Session.**

- A neighbour of a newly built dwelling came to explain his complaint about its dormer window; land adjacent to St Cyriac.
- There is another application in the Parish, in the pre-planning stage, for a development of 7 homes. The Clerk will look for more information and post it on the website *Planning Luxulyan Parish* page as soon as possible.
- It is of concern to the Council that we are not informed or consulted when changes of conditions are applied for in the Parish. The Clerk will discuss the matter with Planning.

13/056 **Minutes.** Minutes of ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11 July 2013 were approved unanimously. Proposed Cllr Keam. 2nd Cllr Linfoot..

13/057 **CC Rix's report.**

- His surgery is still at the Pub, 1st Saturday each month from 11.30am – 12.15pm, until a more suitable permanent place can be found.
- New Life Line charges for the elderly residents in the parish bring the charges in line with others in the county. CC Rix will investigate this and confirm.
- CC Rix investigated grants for sub-post offices and found they are contingent upon it being staffed by volunteers, so it wouldn't work for Luxulyan.
- CC Rix is organising a Site Meeting for the proposed Solar Park at Bodwen with members of the Strategic Planning Committee.
- Luxulyan Council suggests that the proposed public meeting to discuss the Bodwen Solar Park be held within Luxulyan Parish in a central place like the Memorial Institute, and not at Bugle as it was before.

13/058 **PCSO Phillips' report.** Cllr Austin read the report which included 1 house burglary and 3 thefts of fuel.

13/059 **Pollution of the Luxulyan/Par river.** Cllr Austin gave an update.

Mr Barnes from the Environment Agency is not very forthcoming with information. They are still investigating the cause, but may have located the place where a substance entered the Luxulyan/Par River. Samples of the water had not come back

from the lab, so no reason can yet be given why at least 2000 fish died. A sweep of the river found no fish or eels. No instruction has come from the Environment Agency to say whether the water is safe for people or pets to swim or paddle.

13/060 **Post Office.** Catherine will soon be training to become postmistress. Michaela will remain for the time being. Various companies have looked at the premises with a view to take over the shop.

13/061 **Luxulyan Memorial Institute.** Update from Cllr Eich. No meeting has been held.

13/062 **Luxulyan Toilets.** Update by the Chairman. We are still waiting for the permanent signs to be installed. The Clerk has sent information to the Legal department of CC, as they have offered to expedite the resolution of the outstanding electricity bill.

The Clerk will investigate the possibility of continuing with British Gas; and also see what the Cornwall Together scheme has to offer us.

13/063 **Correspondence).**

- a) Email Request Forms were signed by the remaining Councillors.
- b) Reg of Interest forms were filled in properly according to CC instructions.
- c) It was agreed to renew The Play Inspection Co. for 2014 inspection at the same price as this year.
- d) Lanivet Community Response Team, meeting Mon. 9 September. The council wishes to support this effort and some of the councillors will attend.
- e) Invitation to all Councillors for the Town and Parish Councils Summit, Sat, 21 September. The Clerk will forward more information about the time & venue when it becomes available.
- f) Code of Conduct consultation will be taken into consideration.
- g) Vermin-proof sacks. Information about "Seagull Bags" for sale at £3.50 will be forwarded to Cllr Linfoot for possible sale in the village shop.

13/064 **Finance.**

- a) Quarterly finance report (Clerk). The Clerk handed out a Cash Flow for 2013-14 which was reconciled to the available bank statements. Also expenditure compared to budget. The council has spent £7,709.54 (ex VAT) to date, which includes loans of £3,600 to the Institute. £6,750 was received from the Institute.
- b) The council's insurance policy is due to be renewed on 18 September. The insurance will be discussed at the next ordinary meeting.
- c) Authorisation of payments were approved unanimously. Proposed Cllr Olford; 2nd Cllr Linfoot.
 - i. Mystery invoice from Cormac, £69.30 was sent in error.
 - ii. N Legard, 1% rise, backpay for April & May, £7.04.
 - iii. Clerk's salary & expenses, £234.69; £69.00 stamps for Granite Towers.
 - iv. Cleaner's salary, Luxulyan Public Conveniences, £209.90.
 - v. Election, uncontested. £154.95.
 - vi. Southwest Water for Luxulyan Toilets, £116.72.
 - vii. Audit Commission, Grant Thornton, £240.00.
- d) Three payments of £3,000 each to the Church, the School and the Village Hall from the Section 106 agreement funds were approved unanimously and will be delivered at the next opportunity. Proposed Cllr Austin; 2nd Cllr Keam.

13/065 **Planning.**

- a) Report on planning decisions.
 - i. Case Ref: **EN13/01607** NATURE: Property directly behind - Roof trusses are allegedly higher than allowed. SITE ADDRESS: Land Adjacent St Cyriac St Cyriac Luxulyan Cornwall REASON CLOSED: Not Expedient
- b) Planning correspondence. Letter from CCouncil explains that planning decisions will no longer be listed by area but all together.
- c) Applications
 - i. **Ref. No: PA13/06039.** Construction of 2 No 3 bedroom Affordable Houses and 1 No Open market 3 bedroom bungalow. Land South East Of Sunnyside Lockengate Bugle Cornwall.

*** Luxulyan Parish Council is happy to SUPPORT a building project which includes 2 Affordable Houses. We understand that the homes are subject to the Luxulyan Community Land Trust. The land in questions is scrub land and the houses will make good use of the land.
 - ii. **Ref. No: PA13/05345.** New agricultural shed for cattle during winter months. Polgoda Farm Bugle St Austell Cornwall PL26 8RT.

*** Luxulyan Parish Council SUPPORTS this new agricultural shed which will improve the property and the farm's efficiency.
 - iii. Applications for consideration since the posting of this Agenda. None.

13/066 **Eden Community Geothermal Liaison Group.** They have requested that our representative attend their meetings. Cllr Austin, Haywood and Fisher are interested. The Clerk will advise the Eden Project.

13/067 **Matters for Report.**

- a) Bodwen — traffic calming options very expensive. The Clerk read out a letter from the Highways Manager, Steve Bayley. We would like to pursue the matter in the future and will discuss the possibility of solar-powered street lights or something similar.
- b) School Management Committee, Luxulyan Valley Partnership, Village Hall Committee and Community Network Area did not have meetings.
- c) Quality Council.

13/068 **Playing Field Committee.** Quotes for remedial work on the Playing Field equipment to be carried out in accordance with the recent inspection report.

13/069 **Cemetery & Open Spaces.**

- a) Rosemelling Junction. It needs to be cut urgently. The Clerk will discuss with T Frost.
- b) Quotes for tree trimming in the cemetery. 2 quotes received. 1 more quote outstanding.
- c) Litter Bins. Problem with personal rubbish in public bins. The Clerk will investigate the letter sent previously.
- d) Bus Stop's grassy verges on either side. Has now been cut by A&A. The Clerk will ask Highways if they are abandoning this area and whether they are abandoning other areas.

e) Flooding. CC Officer Martin Eddy has visited Luxulyan, but did not visit the house most affected by flooding. He has promised to come to the village again.

f) Playing Field. The Clerk will request quotes for the remedial work.

13/070 **Footpaths.** Nothing to report.

13/071 **Business for the next meeting.**

13/072 Dates of next meetings: Planning if needed August 22nd, **Full Council September 12th 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