

LUXULYAN PARISH COUNCIL
DRAFT Minutes of the meeting held in the Luxulyan Memorial Institute at **6.30 pm** on
THURSDAY 8 JANUARY 2015

PRESENT: Cllr Chris Austin (Chair), Cllr Ralph Keam, Cllr Clare Eich, Cllr Barbara Fahey, Cllr Jodie Fisher, Cllr David Olford, Cllr Andy Cottrill.
 Clerk to the Parish: Mrs Christine Wilson.

ABSENT: Cllr Michaela Linfoot, Cllr George Haywood, and Ward Member Simon Rix.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr J Satterthwaite who remained for the duration.

Abbreviations: Luxulyan Parish Council (LPC), Cornwall Council (CC), Strategic Planning Committee (SPC), Community Land Trust (CLT), Friends of Luxulyan Valley (FOLV), Councillors are abbreviated with their initials. *** indicates the Consultee Comments submitted to the Planning Authority by LPC, delegated to the Clerk.

*The Finance Audit Panel held its quarterly meeting at 5.30 pm and will report at Item 164.
 The meeting began at 6.30 PM and the Chairman welcomed all.*

14/153 **Apologies for absence.** GH is away. ML had an appointment. None received from Ward Member Rix.

14/154 **Declarations of interest.**

a) Declarations re agenda items. None.

b) Requests for dispensation. None.

14/155 **Public Session.** Nothing to report.

14/156 **Meetings.** The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, 11 December 2014, were agreed as true and correct and signed by the Chairman (proposed RK, 2nd DO).

The Clerk briefly reported on the new 3 tier Local Council Award Scheme.

14/157 **Playing Field.** The previous month's inspection forms were handed in and the volunteers for this month's weekly inspections will be DO, BF, AC, CA and RK.

During the inspections the Councillors have noticed the need for a rubbish bin on the Playing Field; however, no one has offered to empty it regularly. When such a volunteer can be found, LPC could place a bin in the play area.

It was noted that the No Dogs sign is very faded. DO will to replace the sign(s).

14/158 **PCSO report** was received for the month of December 2014. *Incidents Recorded:* 2 Anti Social Behaviour; 13 Public Safety; 7 Transport. *Crimes Recorded:* 1 Violence with Injury.

PCSO Merrikin rang to explain the new format for the reports. Two tables are tabulated each month: *Incidents Recorded* and *Crimes Recorded*. Of the Incidents Recorded, only a few are raised to the level of 'Crime' and become 'Crimes Recorded' for the month. Infrequently an incident is recorded as a crime from the outset.

14/159 **Cllr Rix's report to the Parish.** None.

14/160 **Planning.**

a) Planning decisions. 22.12.2014 **PA14/05407** REFUSED. Applicant: Mr Ian Wooders. Location: Land Adjacent To Nos 1 & 2 Carne Cottages Carne Cross St Blazey Par Cornwall. Proposal: Proposed detached affordable dwelling.

- b) Applications. **PA14/11789**. Land North West Of Carne Cottages Carne Cross St Blazey Cornwall Change of use of land to 3no Romani Gypsy pitches and associated works including 3no mobile homes, 3no touring caravans, 3no day rooms, 1no septic tank, and hard standing. The Council resolved to OBJECT to this application (proposed DO; 2nd CE) and submits the following consultee comment.

*** Luxulyan Parish Council (LPC) OBJECTS to this application for various reasons. Firstly the ground is marshy and boggy. The septic tanks will be hazardous to the environment because of seepage in the marshy ground. Secondly, the proposed entrance and exit is in a difficult place, and with 3 mobile homes, etc., there will be quite a number of vehicles requiring daily access, contravening section 4 of the NPPF 2012 and saved policy 80 or the Restormel Local Plan 2001. LPC notes the objection from Highway Development Management East. Thirdly, last month, immediately across the road from this proposed development, an affordable home PA14/05407 was refused on grounds of unsustainability. LPC supported the affordable home, because it wants to see more affordable homes in the parish. However, the number of Romani Gypsy pitches on this site will mean that multiple families and children will suffer from lack of access to services and facilities. These pitches will, fourthly, cause harm to the character of the surrounding rural countryside, and are contrary to saved policy 6 of Restormel Local Plan and paragraphs 14 (adverse impacts), 29 (reducing travel needs), 35 (sustainable transport), 55 (avoid isolated homes), and 109 (should enhance the valued local environment) of the NPPF 2012 which discourages non-sustainable development. In short, the proposed number of homes, the traffic conditions and the unsustainable area make this development inappropriate for the site.

14/161 **Highways.**

- a) The Cormac weed treatment for all pedestrian surfaces along the roads through the village that now includes Rosevale Gardens and Beswetherick Field, amounting to \$423.45 for two applications during the growing season, was approved.
- b) A detailed photographic report of potholes and subsidence around the parish was brought before the council by AC. He was helped by Mr Rowe, who had brought these problems to the September meeting of the council, and though the Clerk has written to Cormac about the urgency of the situation, nothing has yet been done. The Clerk will send this special report to Cormac.

14/162 **Assets - reports and maintenance**

- a) Cemetery. Nothing to report.
- b) Footpaths. Nothing to report.
- c) Luxulyan Memorial Institute. Nothing to report.
- d) Playing Field. As at Item 157.
- e) Village Toilets. The bars/guardrails in front on the Mens' toilet door were knocked down recently. CA has removed the bent bars. The Clerk will contact Highways, as they were fixed to the pavement, to find out whether they should be replaced, and whether Cormac will repair the holes in the pavement.

CA reported that after a member of the public was stuck in a cubicle for some time, a carpenter was urgently commissioned to repair the doors that stick and attach handles to the inside of every cubicle door.

14/163 **Parish Matters**

- a) Flooding. The Clerk will request a meeting with Martin Eddy, Community Network Manager and Teresa Frost of Highways, to discuss the runoff from the fields at Rosemelling.

- b) CLT – Community Land Trust have been informed that the change over date is now July 2015 when control will be taken away from the original developers.
- c) Luxulyan Valley Partnership. Nothing to report.
- d) Village Hall Committee. Nothing to report.
- e) School Management Committee. Nothing to report.
- f) Village Rubbish bins. Are in good shape.

14/164 **Finance.**

- a) DO reported that the Internal Control was completed and all appears to be in order financially, though the current bank statements have not yet been received.
- b) Clerk's finance report included Cash Flow and Cash Book with budget comparison.
- c) The Clerk reported on a possible Deposit Fund which gives a better rate of interest, and also reported on new legislation which confirms that part-time workers must take statutory holiday and agree to additional hours to cover the backlog of work.
- d) Payments totalling £ 1,137.16 were authorised (proposed RK, 2nd BF). A Hawken, cleaner, £227.09; HMRC, cleaner £56.80; C Wilson, Dec salary and expenses (including an upgrade of computer parts) £655.27; FOLV corporate membership £25.00; EPC certificate for the toilets, W Lewis £45.00; CALC, Minutes training £78.00. However, GH was not available for a second signature and payments are temporarily on hold.

14/165 **Correspondence & Invitations.** (complete list in Clerk's Notes 8-1-15)

- a) The Clerk will send apologies for the January meeting of the Eden Community Geothermal Liaison Group - 14/01/15.
- b) Green Air CEP The Clean Energy Program information will be put on the website.
- c) Protect Our Valley distributed a DRAFT copy of *Case for Cornwall Business cases all - Copy.pdf*. The Clerk will forward it to Cllr Rix for his comments.

14/166 **Business for the next meeting.**

- a) Co-option of a member of the council.

14/167 **Dates of next meetings.**

- a) Tues, 13 January 2015, 2.00 pm at the Village Hall car park for a meeting with Sovereign Design Play Systems Ltd. to discuss the placement, design and costs of a two seat swing set and safety surface. All Councillors are invited to attend.
- b) Thursday, 15 January 2015, 7.00pm an extra-ordinary meeting of full council will be held for a preliminary fact-finding exchange with a company interested in building affordable homes at the edge of Luxulyan village.
- c) Planning if needed January 22nd 2015, 7.00 pm; the Full Council on 12 February 2015, 6.30 pm; both at the Luxulyan Memorial Institute.
- d) **Of special note:** the Community Consultation Day, Saturday 31 January 2015, at the Kings Arms, 9.30 – 12 midday, about the purchase of a Community Minibus, hosted by The Luxulyan Community Transport committee.

The Chairman thanked everyone and the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Mrs C Wilson ~ Parish Clerk ~ 10 January 2015