

Luxulyan Parish Council **DRAFT** Minutes  
Ordinary Meeting, THURSDAY 9 JUNE 2022  
6.00 pm, at Luxulyan Memorial Institute

**PRESENT:**

Cllr Keith Bilston (Vice-chair), Cllr Helen Francis, Cllr Michael Grindley, Cllr Carl Tonkin.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Clerk to the Parish, Mrs Christine Wilson, Lockengate Ward Member Cllr Peter Guest and 6 Members of the Public.

**ABSENT:**

Cllr Michaela Linfoot (Chair), Cllr Dan Cordy, Cllr Bob Hatton, Cllr Margaret Higman, Cllr Sarah Kemp, Cllr Francis Payne and Luxulyan Ward Member Cllr Colin Martin.

**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 6.00 PM and the Chair welcomed all.*

22/38 Apologies

Apologies were received from BH, MH, ML, DC, FP, SK. HF gave her apologies for having to leave at 7.40 pm.

22/39 Declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

None.

22/40 Public Session

*Planning (Item 22/45.D) was brought forward. See the decisions at that Minute.*

A Five residents of Ebenezer and Bodwen, neighbours of the Tulip factory, explained their serious concerns about PA22/00878/PREAPP “for Development for up to 40 temporary staff accommodation”.

*Five members of the public left the meeting.*

*Item 22/44.C was brought forward. See the decision at that Minute.*

B The chair of the new parish group, Luxulyan Environment Green Glebe Space (LEGGs), asked for financial support from the parish council with the lease of the Glebe land next to St Julitta church (Item 22/44.C. See the decision at that minute.) The Cornwall Wildlife Trust will survey the area in order to help decide what can be done on the site.

*A member of the public left the meeting.*

22/41 Meetings and governance

A The council **RESOLVED** that the minutes, as read, of the extraordinary meeting held on 19 May 2022 are a true and correct record (proposed CT, 2nd KB) and they were duly signed.

B The appointment of another LPC representative on the Eden Geothermal Liaison Group

was <b>DEFERRED</b> .
C The council <b>RESOLVED</b> to send three councillors to the Code of Conduct training offered by CALC online Tues, 21 <sup>st</sup> June at a cost of £20 per delegate: HF, CT and MG. ACTION: Clerk

22/42 Finance

A The <i>Bank Reconciliations</i> for April and May were received and <b>NOTED</b> . The Budget Comparison and Cash Flow will be ready for the first quarter check next month.																														
B AGAR (Annual Governance & Accountability Return)																														
i. Internal Audit. The council <b>REVIEWED</b> the report of the internal auditor for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. The clerk highlighted the suggestions which were <b>NOTED</b> .																														
ii. Annual Governance Statement – 2021-22 AGAR Section 1. The clerk read out each Statement in Section 1 of the AGAR and the council <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed KB, 2nd MG) to answer each in the affirmative and duly <b>AUTHORISED</b> that Section 1 be signed by the Chair and Clerk.																														
iii. Accounting Statements – 2021-22 AGAR Section 2. The figures for Section 2 were prepared by the clerk as Responsible Financial Officer and were reviewed by the council in April (Minute 21/157.C). The council <b>AUTHORISED</b> (proposed KB, 2nd HF) the Chair to sign Section 2.																														
iv. The dates for the exercise of public rights to view and accounts will be <b>Mon, 27<sup>th</sup> June until Fri, 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022</b> and notices will be published on the website and the notice boards.																														
C The council <b>AUTHORISED</b> payments for June 2022 totalling £1,513.65 (proposed KB, 2nd HF).																														
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22/43 Reports

A Report on Actions. All completed. Replacing the play equipment roofs is in progress.
B Chair's report. None as the Chair was absent.
C Cornwall Councillor Peter Guest's report to the Parish (Lockengate Ward) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The big breaking news on Friday was that the funds for the A30 link road have finally been signed off, I've heard a figure of £80m mentioned but haven't had that confirmed. Shovels in the ground as soon as, hopefully, then we can start the conversations about complimentary measures. I was hoping for a fuller briefing on Sunday from our M.P. but he got called away for an important vote in Westminster! There has been a lot of behind the scenes lobbying [or nagging in plain-speak!] about this and I'm grateful for Steve Doubles' work on getting this over the line. A press release will be going out this week</li> </ul>

including links to the latest news on the project. I'll make sure it is circulated to you all.

- I have been in contact with the senior legal team of Cornwall Council regarding the ongoing matter of Beswetherick Fields. This is a complicated legal issue and commercially sensitive. Because of this, they are unable to give me any updates, however, I have been assured that the matter is being pursued. Should any information or progress come about that I am able to share with you, I will inform the Clerk and Chair immediately. Please don't think that just because it appears to have gone all quiet on that front that it has been put on a backburner. That is not the case and work continues.
- Roger Gates is the new C.L.O. for the Clay Country area. He has had a grand tour of the area and has been fully briefed on the Parish. One item that he has been tasked with is Minorca Lane. My frustration is that since my election there have been a lot of strategic meetings A.K.A. talking shops with very little or no action and progress. Our plan is to change that, we are in the process of setting up an action group which I will be chairing. Roger and I had a fruitful visit to 2 of the sites last week and we had a good meeting with the site owners. A good start and I hope we can make real progress down there.
- Following on from the success story that is Roche skate park, I'm in the process of setting up a group in Bugle to refurbish their [rather tatty] park. We've had a lot of A.S.B. issues there and I hope by following Roche's example and involving the youngsters from the start, we will see a drop in Anti-Social Behaviour and give them something to be proud of. Engagement with the youngsters of the Parish is something I am keen to get involved with, the more they feel engaged with the community, the less likelihood there is of A.S.B. This approach has worked in Roche, is 'work in progress' in Bugle. If you can think of any suitable projects that I may be able to support, I'd be glad to hear the details.
- Work continues on the bus services', I am in regular contact with our M.P. about this and we have had some initial discussions with the Cabinet Member for Transport.
- On Tuesday in the Bugle Sunday School rooms from 11.00 to 13.00 there was a meeting of various community support organisations from around the County, including the social proscriber from the Clays practice. I will be there to support, and it was an excellent opportunity to get Roche, Bugle, Whitemoor and Lockengate on the map. These organisations have been impressed by the work carried within our community and if we can get some recognition and possibly funding it will be a morning well spent. There will be a similar event at Treverbyn Hall next month. You're all invited to come along, there will be biscuits!
- Last week saw the first sitting of Cornwall's Youth Parliament. It was a very busy and productive day. As with the initial meeting last year, I was impressed with the knowledge and enthusiasm of the young people involved. I will be mentoring the sub-committee who will be focussing on jobs and housing. I'm sure that they will come up with some ideas and it will be interesting to see things from their perspective.
- You will have heard about the recent Cabinet reshuffle. With hindsight, it wasn't handled in the best way, but the dust is now settling. Steve Rushworth did a great job, but we're now entering a crucial phase of negotiations about the Shared Prosperity Fund and I'm confident that Louis Gardner is the best man to lead on this in his new role as Cabinet member for Economic Growth and Development. Steve will still be supporting in the background.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applications for small donations from my Community Chest Fund are now being accepted. If you can think of any local groups that may benefit, please ask them to write to me.</li> <li>• In closing, I hope you all had a great time celebrating Her Majesty’s Platinum Jubilee celebrations. My thanks go out to all who worked so hard to organise the events to celebrate Her Majesty’s 70th Jubilee. God save the Queen.</li> </ul>
D Cornwall Councillor Colin Martin’s report to the Parish (Luxulyan Ward). Cllr Martin did not send a report.

22/44 Considerations

A Consideration of a quote for a pallet of grit/salt was <b>DEFERRED</b> .
B The decision between a Rowan or a Whitebeam for the Landmark Tree in the Playing Field was <b>DEFERRED</b> .
C The council agreed to help the community group Luxulyan Environment Green Glebe Space (LEGGs) with the lease of the Glebe land above the cemetery for a conservation and community recreation area and <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed MG, 2nd CT) to use £1000 from the Bodwen Solar Park Fund to pay the legal fees and the first year of the lease. The parish council will be able to transfer the grant when LEGGS’ bank account is ready.
D The Clerk advised that the current playground inspector who inspects weekly will be taking up a position at St Austell Town Council.
E The council <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed HF, 2nd MG) to respond to Cornwall Council undertaking a public consultation regarding the renewal of the Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPO’s) relating to Cornwall’s seasonal dogs on beach restrictions with the general opinion that the current restrictions are understandable and they work, so there shouldn’t be any major changes. ACTION: Clerk

22/45 Planning

A Planning issues and correspondence. Planning decisions are reported in Clerk’s Notes and on the website.
B Beswetherick update. Cllr Guest has been in contact with the legal department who have explained that the case is progressing, though they may not give out any details.
C StARR project update. Nothing to report.
D Applications for consultee comments and Pre-applications for comments submitted to the case officer.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>PA22/03876   Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and conservatory and the construction of a new two-storey dwelling and attached garages without compliance with condition 2 of decision notice PA20/06268 dated 18/09/2020   The Grange Lane From Chimney Tops To The Grange Lockengate Bugle PL26 8RU</b> The council discussed the application and <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed HF, 2nd CT) to submit the following consultee comments: *** Luxulyan Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this application.</li> <li>ii. <b>PA22/04536   New 2.0m high timber acoustic fence wrapping around Northern corner for further acoustic protection of neighbours to the North. Full height acoustic screen extension along HGV delivery bay (adjacent to your offices).   Tulip Ltd Ebenezer Bugle Cornwall PL26 8RR</b></li> </ul>

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

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

iii. **PA22/00878/PREAPP | Pre application advice for Development for up to 40 temporary staff accommodation. The nature of the accommodation will be movable Park Homes equipped as accommodation for both single and married persons on land directly adjacent to the parking facility next to the Danish Crown factory. | Land North West Of Tulip Minorca Lane Bugle PL26 8RR**

A number of neighbours from Ebenezer and Bodwen attended Luxulyan Parish Council's meeting to strongly object to this application. After listening to the residents, the council discussed the pre-application and **RESOLVED** (proposed HF, 2nd MG) to submit the following comments to the case officer:

\*\*\* Six residents from five households living close to the factory spoke with Luxulyan PC, all objecting to this development. Luxulyan Parish Council strongly OBJECTS to a housing development – on this field – especially on this scale, for a number of reasons. 1) It would be an unsustainable development. The area does not have public transport; there are no shops within easy walking distance, no community hall, no recreational facilities, no sports facilities. There are no amenities whatsoever for temporary or permanent workers. 2) Without public transport, the workers' cars would cause traffic problems in the single lanes through Ebenezer and Bodwen. 3) The ground is wet. It is important that the case officer visit this site to understand the quality of the ground and to see the impact of the car park development (PA14/10783). Though not mentioned in the original plans, the car park needed tons of material to raise it off the wet ground and then, because of runoff from the car park, the neighbouring field has become boggy. 'Up to 40 temporary staff accommodation' and the accompanying waste removal and drainage would need an extensive SUDS assessment. 4) It is not clear from the wording of the application whether the housing is temporary, or the staff is temporary. Nevertheless, the accommodation for staff would need to be of residential quality, not holiday standard. 5) The factory in this rural area is noisy and causes traffic problems with large delivery lorries often getting stuck in the narrow lanes. This development, which is in effect a medium-sized, crowded village, would cause additional noise, traffic and light pollution which is unsuitable in this rural setting. 6) With no community centre or any other amenities, there would be few opportunities for the workers and the local residents to mix and get to know one another. It is unnatural and unsustainable for two very different communities to live so close to each other yet have no communal space or activities in common. It is certainly not a situation that the LPA should support. 7) The neighbours have complained to the parish council of the lack of communication between the factory and the local residents. The neighbours only heard by word of mouth about this Pre-app, which is unfortunate.

22/46 Highways & Flooding

No issues were reported.

22/47 Assets – reports and maintenance

A Playing Field. Playing Field inspections for month were received and **NOTED**.

B Cemetery. Nothing to report.
C Defibrillators. The Clerk reported that both defibrillators are registered with the <i>National Defibrillator Network</i> , aka The Circuit.
D Footpaths. Luxulyan has a number of footpath signs that have fallen down and whenever this is reported, CC says it is not a priority. The Clerk will investigate the cost of footpath signs in recycled plastic. ACTION: Clerk
E Luxulyan Memorial Institute. Nothing to report.
F Village Toilets. Nothing to report.

22/48 Parish Matters – reports

A Luxulyan Valley Partnership. Tues, 21st June, 12 noon onwards, Village Hall, the Partnership will have presentations about its work and invite members of the public to join Working Parties within the Partnership.
B Village Hall Committee. Village Hall AGM, 27 June 2022, 6.30 pm.

22/49 Correspondence & Invitations

A A member of the public asked the parish council for permission to use the Playing Field for children’s games during their wedding reception in the Village Hall. The council <b>RESOLVED</b> (proposed KB, 2 <sup>nd</sup> HF) to allow this.
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22/50 Business for the next meeting

Quotes for a WiFi dongle for internet connection during parish council meetings.
Croft Farm defibrillator.

22/51 Second Public Session for feedback from the public

None.
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22/52 Dates of next meetings.

A Tues, 21st June, 12 noon onwards, Village Hall, Luxulyan Valley Partnership presentation and invitation to join Working Parties within the Partnership.
B The Audit Panel will meet at 5.00 pm, Thurs, 14 July, one hour before the ordinary meeting.
C Ordinary Meeting Thurs, 14 July 2022, 6.00 pm at the Luxulyan Memorial Institute.
D 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.
E Village Hall AGM, 27 June 2022, 6.30 pm.

*The meeting closed at 7.28 pm and the Chair thanked everyone for attending.  
Mrs C Wilson ~ Parish Clerk ~ 17 June 2022*

**SIGNED:**

**THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES.**

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_