

Lanhydrock Parish Council: Minutes of Meeting held in the Lanhydrock War Memorial Hall at 19:33 on Monday 31st July 2017

Administration

In attendance: Cllr. J.A. Coode (chairman), Cllr. M. Coad, Cllr. W. Ayres. Cllr. P. Miller, Sarah Knight (clerk) and one member of the public, as per the Attendance Register.

Apologies: Cllr. A. Hill

Declarations of Interest: None.

Public Forum

1. Reports:

- a. **Cornwall Council:** No report requested or submitted
- b. **Police:** No report submitted. The clerk informed the council that her check of www.devon-cornwall.police.uk had returned no results.
- c. **Planning Induction Training:** Cllr. Ayres reported back to the council on the training that she and the clerk had attended on 2nd June at Chy Tревail, run by Cornwall Council. The training explained the role of the Cornwall Local Plan as being to interpret the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in a Cornish context. The training described the scenarios in which planning permission is not required and explained that the default position of the planning department is to approve applications, unless reasons can be found which make it necessary to refuse them.
- d. **Bodmin Community Network (BCN) Meeting:** Cllr. Ayres reported back to the council on the BCN meeting she attended on 12th July at Chy Tревail. Topics discussed including the BCN's priorities for the forthcoming year, a presentation on plastic recycling/ refuse collection and the Electoral Boundary Review. The BCN considered the Electoral Boundary Commission's recommendation that Cornwall Council be reduced from 123 to 87 Councilors and felt this number to be too low. The BCN agreed 99 to be a more appropriate number and it was decided to draft a letter expressing this, for submission to the consultation. It was noted that, regardless of whether the final number of councilors is 87 or 99, the number of councilors for the BCN would reduce from 4 to 3.

Planning Matters

2. **PA17/05527: Double Lodges – Shower Tray**
Upon discussion, the Council agreed they supported the application.
3. **PA17/06363: Treowen, Treffry - Extension**
Upon discussion, the Council agreed they supported the application.
4. **Any planning applications received after publication of the agenda:**
None.

Parish Matters

5. **Superfast Broadband Update:** The clerk read an update from Neil Agnew, Openreach's WW Fibre Assurance Manager, stating that the work around Sweetshouse was scheduled to begin on 21st August and would require a road closure. Tree cutting and pole replacement work had already commenced and the aim was to complete work by the end of September. The council asked the clerk to send this update to Robert Ellis and to clarify with Neil Agnew exactly who would benefit from the works about to commence. Concerns had been expressed in Little Tredinnick that some residents hadn't received a visit from Openreach and may therefore miss out on the improved service.
6. **Fallen Trees at The Grove:** A. Williams informed the council that a path had been cut through the fallen trees in this area but that, in the long term, much of the woodland would require re-planting.
7. **Missing Well Door on Percy's Lane:** A. Williams informed the council that the missing door had now been replaced.
8. **Parish Litter Pick:** A. Williams informed the council that the parish litter pick would take place on Tuesday 12th September at 09:30.
9. **Local Government Boundary Commission Consultation:** The council discussed the Electoral Boundary Commission's recommendation that Cornwall Council be reduced to 87 councilors. Concerns were expressed that this reduction would increase the workload on councilors at a time when the Bodmin area is experiencing significant growth. There was also concern that rural parishes such as Lanhydrock may find themselves overlooked as the larger urban areas take priority. Alternatively, it was also suggested that a smaller, better remunerated council might lead to improved professionalization of the service. The council concluded that they were unable to make an informed decision on the optimum number of members of Cornwall Council without first knowing how the wards would be affected by any electoral boundary changes scheduled for announcement in the Autumn.
10. **Parking on Verge o/s War Memorial Hall:** It was noted that vehicles have been parking on the verge outside the Memorial Hall, churning up the grass and obstructing views of the road for people exiting the

Memorial Hall. A. Williams offered to discuss the issue with the drivers concerned, to make them aware of the issues that were being caused.

11. **Fly Tipping:** Fly tipping is continuing to be a problem in the parish and it was suggested that an article should be included in the next parish magazine, explaining how to report such instances to Cornwall Council.
12. **National Trust: Excessive Street Furniture:** Cllr. Miller requested that the clerk write to the National Trust and CORMAC to ask that the signage informing drivers of a new road layout is removed, given the new road layout has now been in place for years, making the signage superfluous.
13. **Respryn Bridge:** Repairs to the bridge have now been completed. Cllr. Ayres requested that the clerk write to Cllr. Batters (C.C.) to ensure that Lanhydrock Parish Council is kept in the loop regarding any further measures to protect the structure.
14. **Update on Local Devolution Fund spending:** The Council approved the following cheque, to reimburse Cllr. Miller for the purchase of signage and banners. This sum is to be reimbursed by the Local Devolution Fund, following an application to be made by the clerk to Bodmin Town Council.

Recipient	Cheque No.	Reason for payment	Amount
Mr P Miller	100263	Signage/ banners	£395.98

15. **Parish Magazine:** It was noted that Jennie Mursell, the current editor of the parish magazine, intends to stand down. The council agreed that a new editor must be found to ensure the continued existence of the magazine and suggested a second advert for a new editor is included in the next edition of the parish magazine, highlighting the situation.
16. **Chairman:** Cllr. Coode reiterated his intention to stand down as Chairman at the next Annual Meeting, in May 2018.
17. **Agenda Items for next meeting:** None.

Public Forum Closed

Regular Business

18. The following minutes were approved:
 - a. 22.05.2017 (Annual Meeting)
 - b. 09.06.2017 (Extraordinary)
19. **Matters Arising:** None

Correspondence

20. Correspondence received and dispatched since the last Meeting:

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

Date	Sender	Regarding	Response
26.06.2017	Andrea Gilbert	Cornwall Takes Tea with the World	The council felt the forthcoming parish fete would achieve the community engagement the 'Cornwall Takes Tea with the World' scheme encourages..
18.07.2017	Nextdoor	Social Network for neighbours	Cllr. Ayres took a copy of the brochure for this scheme, to consider its inclusion in a future edition of the parish magazine.

Finance

21. **Report to Date:** The Clerk provided the latest bank reconciliation, which showed no outstanding payments or income.

Governance

22. **Register of Interest Forms:** The Clerk requested dates and signatures for some councilor's Register of Interest forms that were missing them.

23. **Date of next meeting:** Monday 25th September 2017.

Public and Press excluded.

Signed and Accepted as a correct record

Chairman



Date: 25.09.2017

Closed Session

15. The following payments were authorised:

Recipient	Cheque No.	Reason for payment	Amount
S Knight	100261	Clerk Salary + Expenses	£ <input type="text"/>
HMRC	100262	PAYE tax on Clerk Salary	£ <input type="text"/>

Meeting Closed at: 20:53

Signed and Accepted as a correct record

Chairman

Date: