

Lanhydrock Parish Council: Minutes of Meeting held in Lanhydrock War Memorial Hall at 19:30 on Monday 25th November 2024

- 1) **NOTIFICATION THAT MEETINGS MAY BE ELECTONICALLY RECORDED**
- 2) **TO NOTE THOSE PRESENT AND TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES:**
 - a) In attendance: Cllr. J. Coad (chairman), Cllr. M. Coad, Cllr. P Miller, Cllr. A. Coad, S. Knight (clerk) Cllr. J Cruse (C.C) and two members of the public.
 - b) Apologies: Cllr. SA Hayward
- 3) **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS:**

None received.
- 4) **PUBLIC FORUM:** No matters raised.
- 5) **TO RESOLVE THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING ARE AN ACCURATE RECORD:**
 - a) It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 30.09.2024 were an accurate record.
- 6) **TO RECEIVE ORAL OR WRITTEN REPORTS AND AUTHORISE ANY ACTION:**
 - a) **Cornwall Council:** Cllr. Cruse submitted a report, which included the following points:
 - i) **The Halgavor Moor Planning Application is still to be heard at Strategic Planning** so no further progress has been made.
 - ii) **A housing development is proposed for a site at Callywith.** Concerns were discussed at the loss of good arable land if the development is approved and Cllr. Cruse recommended these were raised with the councillor for the area, Cllr. Leigh Frost.
 - iii) **Blisland Water Treatment Works has suffered a major breakdown.** Concerns were discussed that this demonstrates our current infrastructure isn't coping and requires upgrading.

Further points were raised relating to concerns that Bodmin College is reaching capacity and that the new doctors surgery planned for construction in Bodmin won't be large enough. It was noted that, in general, it seems infrastructure is not keeping up with development.

- 7) **PLANNING MATTERS:**
 - a) **Any planning applications received after publication of agenda:** None received.

8) PARISH MATTERS

- a) **Community News:** Cllr. Miller noted that the redecoration of the War Memorial Hall was ongoing but would pause for the next few weeks whilst the Christmas decorations were up. The Chairman asked Cllr. Cruse for advice on any grant funding the War Memorial Hall Committee could apply to, especially relating to sustainable energy solutions.

ACTION: Cllr. Cruse to look into suitable funding options

b) Highways:

- i) **Cutmadoc Road** will be closed for patching works from 2nd – 6th December (Clerk)
Turfdown Road will be closed for maintenance from 6th – 7th January.

ACTION: Clerk to check that Keith May and Andrew Williams have been informed regarding the Cutmadoc closure.

- ii) **RadarClass signage on Kirland Road** has been partially installed. Cllr. Miller noted that the signpost had been installed but, as yet, no sign added.

ACTION: Clerk to chase up sign with Highways.

- iii) **Stop sign on Percy's Lane** cannot be moved because it must be sited on the junction. Neil Grigg, Assistant Highways Manager for Cornwall Highways, confirmed that the surrounding vegetation would be trimmed instead to aid visibility and the chairman confirmed that, having driven through the area recently, this appears to have taken place.

- iv) **Gridlock at Respryn during Glynn Valley closures** has been reported to Highways, who plan to liaise with National Highways to consider the options available to improve traffic management.

- v) **Flooding at Treffry** has been reported to Highways by Cllr. Hayward. The chairman has also reported flooding on Kirland Road that resulted in a car's engine being flooded but received a response that no further action would be taken. Cllr. Cruse requested that this correspondence be forwarded to her so that she could exert pressure on Highways to take action.

- c) **Telecommunications Resilience Planning:** It was agreed to defer discussion of this item, pending the clerk's attendance at an online talk by Jamie Whitford-Robson, Cornwall Council's Emergency Management Manager on 28th November.

9) FINANCE

- a) **Clerk to provide a report to date:** The clerk provided the latest bank reconciliation, which showed no outstanding deposits, outstanding payments of £309.98 (detailed in 9 (b) below) and a total balance of £5410.79.
- b) **To authorize the following payments:** The following payments were authorized:

| Invoice No. | Payee | Regarding | Sum |
|-------------|---------------|-------------------------------|-----|
| N/A | 120PA00289343 | PAYE on clerk salary | |
| 29 | S Knight | Clerk Salary & Reimbursements | |

- c) **Precept:** Prior to the meeting, the clerk circulated the council's annual expenditure to date, demonstrating that spending was on course to slightly exceed the precept this financial year. She stated that the current precept of £2800 was no longer enough to cover the council's expenses but there was enough money in the council's bank account to absorb this overspend for another year. Upon discussion the councillors agreed that their preference was not to place any additional burden on parishioners and to maintain the precept at the current level of £2800.

Proposed: Cllr. Jason Coad **Seconded:** Cllr. Andy Coad **Carried:** Unanimously

ACTION: Clerk to submit request for a precept of £2800 to Cornwall Council

10) WEBSITE:

- a) **It was noted that the clerk has applied for the domain:**
www.lanhydrockparish.gov.uk.
- b) The Chairman noted that Chris Pearce, Chair of the Lanhydrock War Memorial Hall, would be contacting the clerk to discuss the hall's requirements for a shared website.

11) TO NOTE ITEMS FROM COUNCILLORS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:

- a) **Flooding at Treffry**
- b) **Gridlock at Respryn**
- c) **Road closure of B3268 Pelyn to Bodmin (26th – 28th Feb)**

12) ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- a) South West Water are offering a tour of their Restormel Water Treatment Works site on 26th November, meeting at Lanhydrock War Memorial Hall.

13) DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 27th January 2025

COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION

14) Clerk Salary: Following the release of the 2024/25 Government Services Pay Agreement, it was agreed to maintain the clerk's salary between Spinal Column Point 17 and 18 and therefore increase her salary to £15.70 per hour, backdated to April.

Proposed: Cllr. Mary Coad **Seconded:** Cllr. Pete Miler **Carried:** Unanimously

ACTION: Clerk to provide second invoice to parish council to cover back pay between April and November 2024, for payment in January 2025.

Meeting Closed at: 20:52

Signed and Accepted as a correct record

Chairman



Date: 27th January 2025