

St Stephens by Launceston Rural Parish Council

Minutes of Council meeting held on 12th May 2021 at Launceston Town Hall.

21/16 **Present:** Cllrs J Heaton, J Caudle, C Frost, J Ranson, H Henderson, E Haydon, S Goodenough.

21/17 **Apologies:** Cllr Paynter (Cornwall Council)

21/18 Cllr Heaton the outgoing Chairman expressed thanks to the outgoing Councillors and Mrs Coppen for their work on behalf of the Parish.

21/19 **Election of Chairman:** Cllrs Caudle and Ranson were proposed. On a vote Cllr Ranson was elected and took the Chair. Cllr Ranson signed the declaration of acceptance and thanked the outgoing Chair for her work on behalf of the Parish.

21/20 **Election of Vice Chairman:** Cllrs Caudle and Haydon were proposed, On a vote Cllr Haydon was duly elected.

21/21 **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Caudle; aspects of Truscott Village Green, Cllr Ranson item 11

21/22 **Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting held on 8th April 2021 were agreed.

21/23 **Medical Services;** The Medical Centre is opening soon. The PPG received a donation from Launceston Rotary of £5000 towards dementia friendly equipment

21/24 **Neighbourhood Plan;** The adopted Neighbourhood Plan will remain in force until 2030, there is no need for it to remain a standing agenda item.

21/25 **Village Greens;** Truscott Green water levels are increasing again. Truscott Green is being maintained by Truscott residents at no cost to the Council. A location for the Langore Notice board is to be agreed.

21/26 **Grass cutting, junctions etc;** Carry forward.

21/27 **Finance:**

A) Cheques for payment approved;
BHIB Insurance £519.19
Cornwall ALC £238.59
Playsafety Ltd £82.20
J Conway £321.86
HMRC £59.60
J Kelly £204.39

B) It was agreed that all Councillors should be signatories to the Bank Account in addition to the Clerk. Any 2 Councillors be able to sign cheques and bank instructions.

21/28 **Planning Applications;** The recent application at Old Saw Pits was refused..

21/29 **Reports;** Cllr Heaton reported that there had been a meeting on the Green between interested parties. It was agreed to send a letter giving details to a landowner.

The Town bus service now stops at Homeleigh.

The Village Hall reopens on 17 May

Website: It was resolved that Cllrs Ranson, Haydon and Henderson form a working party to consider website improvements

21/30 **Correspondence;** A letter from a previous Chairman was received

Correspondence regarding empty properties was circulated, further consideration will be given to the property by New Mills

21/31 **Public comments;** A question regarding Council expenditure was answered.

21/32 **Date of next meeting:** 24th June,

meeting closed at 1930

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