

St Stephens by Launceston Rural Parish Council

Minutes of Council meeting held on 15th January 2026 at Langore Village Hall at 1930.

25/116: **Present:** Cllrs. J Heaton, C Gunning, S Goodenough and B Soanes Clerk in attendance

25/117: **Apologies :** Cllrs Frost, Green and Paynter.

25/118: **Declarations of interest:** None

25/119: **Minutes:** Minutes of meeting 11/12/25 were agreed.

25/120: **Public Representation:** The footpath from the Village Hall to Menhenniot Crescent is becoming overgrown, Clerk to contact Martin Ashley. The 20 mph limit in Langore is expected shortly. The need for a pavement on the A388 Lower Dutson Farm to Homeleigh was underlined.

25/121: **Correspondence:** It was agreed to press for a footpath on A388 from Lr Dutson to Homeleigh

25/122: **Planning:** `As part of the proposed Rhino Park at Polson is in our area we were requested to comment. The council unanimously agreed to recommend the application is approved.

25/111: **Highways and Village Green:**

Proposed statement of facts re Truscott Green. It was agreed Statement of Facts be approved and put on our website by a recorded vote. For Cllrs Heaton, Soanes and Gunning, against Goodenough.

Langore Village Green. The Council had previously agreed that whilst it does not accept that there is a right to drive over the footpath to Virginia Cottage, it would take no action against persons driving over the footpath to access the lower access to Virginia Cottage. It was unanimously agreed to maintain this position. The footpath is boggy and requires maintenance.

Thanks were expressed to local farmers and tree surgeons who have worked to keep local roads open during recent storms.

25/124: **Finance.**

a) Cheques for payment approved:

Chq 097 J Conway £324.43

Chq 098 HMRC £66.85

b) The Clerk reported a satisfactory financial position with £12777.77 currently in our account

25/125: **Reports:** The Village Hall Committee is working on a local plan to ensure safety in the event of a power cut or similar concern.

A local resident recently had to gain access to a disused reservoir to fix a water pressure problem

25/126: Date of next meeting 26/2/26

25/127: Meeting closed at 2041

