

St Stephens by Launceston Rural Parish Council

Minutes of Council meeting held on 9th February 2017 in Langore Village Hall at 1930

16/114 **Present:** Cllrs. J Heaton (chair). J Caudle, M Rimmer, G Curzon, . Clerk in attendance

16/115 **Apologies:** Cllrs V. Lindley, S Lindley. Cllr. Paynter (Cornwall Council).

16/116 **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Caudle, aspects of the pond

16/117 **Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting held on 17th January 2017 were agreed.

16/118 **Planning;** Consideration of PA17/00609 New build Wheelwrights Langore This item was brought forward due to public interest, 18 residents having attended the immediately preceding public meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Caudle and seconded by Cllr Curzon that the following observations are made;

We accept that outline planning approval exists for the site and that sooner or later approval will be given for a suitable property.

The ground is made up ground and old Ordinance Survey maps refer to it as “issues”

The ground is extremely wet and has drainage passing through it

It is bordered on two sides by agricultural ground

The proposed design is not in keeping with adjoining properties

The roof should be slate and not concrete

The plans as submitted are inadequate and do not give height levels

One toilet discharge is into fresh water system and not the foul sewer

The size of proposed dwelling is excessive, our preference is single storey to the front with 2 storey to the rear.

The proposed parking is insufficient

The build will have adverse effect on neighbouring properties

It would be preferable for the property to be sited further back from the road.

16/119 **Co-option of a Councillor;** No volunteers.

16/120 **Grass Cutting and Flower Beds;** A grit bin has been ordered from Maunder and Sons for delivery in a couple of weeks. Concern was raised at the severity of some hedge cutting in Truscott.

16/121 **Launceston Hospital;** This will remain an agenda item whilst its future is uncertain. This Council remains committed to supporting the hospital and its continued survival.

16/122 Finance:

A) Cheques for payment approved;
Maunder and sons £81 chq 148
J Heaton NP exps £46.80 chq 149
M Curzon NP exps £60 chq 150

16/123 Planning:

Applications; see 16/118

B) Cornwall Council Decisions received: none

16/124 Correspondence; none.

16/125 Reports; Chairman; Cllr Heaton reported on an affordable housing seminar she attended. S106 agreements are being tightened to prevent affordable housing becoming part of the general market.

County Council: none.

Town Council: The library is still under negotiation but at present unlikely to transfer to the Town Council

Neighbourhood Plan: The first draft is with Cornwall Council for an initial assessment.

Village Hall; Coffee morning in Central Church raised £200. Afternoon teas successful, Car boot sale on 4 March.

Recreation Ground; none

Parish Pond. Looking good, water levels back to normal. In process of being registered with English Heritage. Schools encouraged to use this asset.

Defibrillator: Training will take place on 16 February, thanks to LFAVS for help.

16/126 Questions from Councillors; none

16/127 Public comments; PC Stoppard gave a brief update, a black box had been used to record speed in Langore. Average was 26mph. 3 vehicles have been noted and will be targeted in future. On paper this is a safe road.

16/128 Date of next meeting: Thursday 9^h March

Meeting closed at 2110

