

# St Stephens by Launceston Rural Parish Council

Minutes of Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019 in Langore Village Hall at 1930.

19/138 **Present:** Cllrs J Heaton, J Caudle G Curzon, C Gunning and C Frost. Clerk in attendance

19/139 **Apologies:** Cllr A Paynter (Cornwall Council)

19/140 **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Caudle; aspects of the pond.

19/141 **Minutes:** Minutes of the meetings held on 7th November 2019 were agreed subject to thanks being recorded to people who attended the Neighbourhood Plan meetings and the neighbour who worked on the pond in preparation of planting.

19/142 **Cooption of a Councillor:** Carry forward.

19/143 **Medical Services;** There was a celebration at the Medical Centre yesterday to mark commencement of works. Representatives of the League of Hospital Friends and PPG were present.

19/144 **Boundary Review;** The recommendation Cornwall Council will consider on 10/12/19 is that no change is made to our border with Launceston.

19/145 **Neighbourhood Plan;** The plan was passed at referendum by a resounding majority, 110 for and 19 against. Thanks were expressed to all who have worked on the plan over many years, especially our Consultant and Secretary. A meeting will take place with Cornwall Council to establish how the plan will be used. A quote to archive the Neighbourhood Plan Website within the Council website is being sought. All Parish Councillors are to be given a paper copy of the plan.

19/146 **Parish Pond;** The water levels have risen recently, only to have fallen by a few inches. Bulbs have been planted in accordance with regulations. The Scouts spent a day working on the pond to prepare for winter. It was resolved to post the information regarding protection of Historic Hedges to Kresen Kernow in case the emails went astray.

The Local Nature Reserve working party will meet early in the New Year. It is hoped that the Environmental Website will grow from this.

Licence to plant, Clerk to pursue change in licence conditions

Village Green Status – awaiting formal decision

Pocket Park Fund. It was agreed to set up a working party consisting of Chair, Vice Chair and Cllr Curzon to consider if funding could be applied for.

19/147 **Grass cutting, junctions etc;** The salt bins are to be prepared for winter, Village Green Langore, right of access being actioned, Stephens and Scown are acting on our behalf.

19/148 **Finance:**

A) Cheques for payment approved;

Chq 284 W Stoppard £20

B) Cashbook approved

C) Precept provisionally set for 2020/21 at £6600, Clerk to seek advice from CALC to see if capital funds of £3000 can be used for legal fees to protect an asset.

19/149 **Planning Applications;** PA19/09476, Truscott Reservoir, cert of lawful development. This is a question of fact, however the Council would expect any development to respect the Neighbourhood Plan and the AGLV.

**19/150 Climate change:** Extension of the Town Bus Service to Homeleigh is being pursued. The Community Network Panel Working Group met last week.

19/151 **Correspondence;** None.

19/152 **Reports;** Speedwatch; More volunteers are needed.  
Southern Loop Road, plans are being amended.

19/153 **Public comments;** none

**19/154 Questions from Councillors;** Cllr Caudle declared an interest and left the room. An eyesore resembling a scrap yard was mentioned. The matter had been reported and was under investigation. Cllr Caudle returned.

19/155 **Date of next meeting:** 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020

19/156 Meeting closed at 2147

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