

St Stephens by Launceston Rural Parish Council

Minutes of Council meeting held on 6th February 2020 in Langore Village Hall at 1930.

19/157 **Present:** Cllrs J Heaton, J Caudle G Curzon, C Gunning and C Frost. A Paynter (Cornwall) Clerk in attendance

19/158 **Apologies:** None

19/159 **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Caudle; aspects of the pond.

19/160 **Minutes:** Minutes of the meetings held on 5th December 2019 were agreed.

19/161 **Cooption of a Councillor:** Carry forward.

19/162 **Medical Services;** Scott Mann, our MP is supporting the campaign to Keep Stratton MIU open evenings as originally promised. The case is being made for Launceston xray unit to be open at all times Launceston MIU is open.

19/163 **Boundary Review;** A public meting will take place next Tuesday to further consider reccomendations.

19/164 **Neighbourhood Plan;** Mrs Coppen will ensure the NP website is archived on the Parish Council one.

19/165 **Cllr Paynter's Report;** Cllr Paynter reported that the possibility of extending the Town Bus to Homeleigh was looking hopeful. Increases to other services were expected and hopefully some fares would be subsidised to increase usage. Thanks were expressed to Cllr Paynter for his help with the village greens, Cllr Paynter apologised and left the meeting.

19/166 **Parish Pond;** The Clerk was instructed to write to landowners adjoining Truscott Village Green requesting that they advise this Council before carrying out works to their hedges to avoid conflict with their machinery. This Council maintains its offer to maintain the adjoining hedges. The pond is now part of Village Green 703.

19/167 **Grass cutting, junctions etc;** Two salt bins require replacement, Clerk instructed to arrange purchase from Maunders. Thanks were expressed to S Blake for servicing the bins. Cllr Curzon is to investigate the effectiveness of speed reducing road markings and report back. There is no appropriate site in Dutson for its notice board. A budget of £100 was agreed to replace the Truscott one with the now redundant Dutson board.

19/168 **Finance:**

A) Cheques for payment approved;

Chq 285 Langore Village Hall £60

Chq 286 J Conway £348.21

Chq 288 HMRC PAYE £59.60

Chq 289 Stephens and Scown £967.20

Chq 290 J Heaton £20.02

B) Cashbook approved

19/169 **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. Clerk instructed to seek clarification from Cornwall Planning.

19/170 **Climate change:** Carry forward

19/171 **Correspondence;** None.

19/172 **Reports;** Speedwatch; More volunteers are needed.

19/173 **Public comments;** none

19/174 Questions from Councillors; None.

19/175 **Date of next meeting:** 5th March 2020

19/176 . To resolve that under s1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items as they involve the likely disclosure of confidential information.

19/177 The draft letter from solicitors was approved with the addition of “statutory” before duty. Clerk also instructed to enquire if any additional insurance required

19/156 Meeting closed at 2150

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