St Stephens by Launceston Rural Parish Council

Minutes of Council meeting held on 3rd December 2020 at 1930 via Zoom.

20/64 Present: Cllrs J Heaton, J Caudle, G Curzon, and C Frost. A Paynter (Cornwall) Clerk in attendance

20/65 Apologies: none

20/66 **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Caudle; aspects of Truscott Village Green.

20/67 **Minutes:** Minutes of the meetings held on 5th November 2020 were agreed.

20/68 Cooption of a Councillor: Carry forward there is an interested party.

20/69 **Medical Services;** The purchase of 4 new pads for the defibrillators were agreed The medical centre is encouraging the use of e consult where possible. Flu vaccinations are continuing for the over 50 age group. If blood tests are necessary they are still available, just ask.

20/70 Village Greens; See later in minutes.

20/71 **Grass cutting, junctions etc;** Dutson notice board has been refurbished, estimates will be obtained to resite in Langore replacing the existing one. Truscott Pond Cllr Caudle left the room, a scrap car near to the pond was mentioned, Environment Agency have inspected and no fluids remained in it, so there was no danger of leakage, the owners of the vehicle fully cooperated with the EA.

20/72 Finance:

A) Cheques for payment approved;

Chq 313 Langore Newsletter £65

Chq 314 J Heaton defib pads £151.96

Chq 315 Stephens Scown £411.60

B) Precept for 2021/22 agreed at £7600

20/73 **Planning Applications**; Hillside; PA20/05323 has now been approved with the retention of the Cornish hedge.

Care Village, the Parish Council was asked to give input on the proposal. Standing Orders were suspended to enable the public to speak.. When resumed it was agreed to endorse the paper prepared by Dutson Residents, we agreed that such a development was welcome in the Launceston area, but not where proposed, the ideal location being to the south of Launceston where development is occurring.

20/74 **Reports**;

Speedwatch; has recommenced with 2 new volunteers, they have been out twice a week. A local policeman has also been out with his speed gun

Climate Change; A working party has been set up to consider Tree Warden activities consisting of Cllr Caudle, J Ranson and J Coppen

20/75 Correspondence; None

20/76 Public comments; The empty house at New Mills is being used as a playground and is dangerous with copious amounts of broken glass. Cornwall Council to be asked to redouble their efforts to get the owner to make it habitable.

20/77 **Date of next meeting:** 7th January via Zoom,

20/78 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.

20/79 Working group to consider further action and report back when time limit reached..

meeting closed at 21.48

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