

# Linkinhorne Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

### Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 7.30pm at Rilla Mill Village Hall

#### Minutes

Present at the meeting were: Cllr K. Wallis (Chairman), Cllr S. Beech, Cllr M. Corfield, Cllr R. Hanson, Cllr C. Hearn, Cllr C. Hordley, Lena Batten (Clerk)

Members of the public: None.

#### 1) Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllr D. Heritage, Cllr P. Seeva.

#### 2) Code of Conduct:

- a) To receive declarations: None.
- b) To grant dispensations: None.

#### 3) Minutes:

**Resolved that** the Minutes of the previous Meeting of Linkinhorne Parish Council held on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024 be confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 4) Public Participation:

No members of the public were in attendance.

#### 5) Reports from and matters of concern to:

- a) Cornwall Councillor Phil Seeva:
- b) Councillors:

One Councillor reported that he had attended a recent public participation event at South Hill with regards to the proposal of a potential ten acre Islamic Burial site to be located between Callington and Maders. He reported that there were approximately one hundred to one hundred and fifty members of the public present at the presentation. The potential green burial site was being suggested as consecrated ground for those who resided predominately in Devon and Cornwall. He reported a high level of negative feeling around the proposal at the meeting with a large number of objections from both a planning perspective but primarily objections regarding transport links among others.

#### 6) Finance:

- a) Cash flow of accounts / bank reconciliation:

**Resolved that** the bank reconciliation / cash book statement was confirmed as an accurate account, and this was signed by the Chairman.

- b) Payments:

**Resolved that** the following payments were approved with all in favour:

- i) £366.88 (Corserv, field Maintenance), ii) £91.18 (WC toilet roll, Viking), iii) £360.00 (WC cleaning, June), iv) £85.35 (Mileage clerk), v) £144.00 (SLCC FILCA training).

A brief discussion took place regarding payment of invoices in August.

**Resolved that** any necessary payments were made as Linkinhorne Parish Council would not meet in August. Additional payments detailed included i) £228.00 (Duchy Defibs annual inspection), ii)

£86.40 (Western Web, renewal of email account), iii) £174.00 (ICCM training), iv) £210.00 (Accountancy services).

c) Receipts:

i) £161.30 (CMA Prydis Legal).

**Resolved that** the clerk would obtain more clarification regarding this payment as no paperwork had been received.

d) To note for information £464.68 had been received grant funding from the Community Chest Grant Scheme:

This was noted for information.

e) To approve and update the signatures and minute reference regarding the Accounting Statement as the internal audit was completed under income and expenditure and should be completed under receipts and payments:

**Resolved that** the Council had previously approved the adoption of 'yes' in sections 1-8 and n/a in section 9 of the Annual Governance Statement 2023-2024. Having reviewed the Accounting statement for the Council it was proposed, seconded and upon being put to the vote it was

**Resolved that** the Council approve the amended Accounting Statement 2023-2024.

One member of the public entered the room.

The Chairman returned to item 4 to allow the member of the public to speak.

The member of the public introduced herself and confirmed she was there as she had expressed an interest to potentially adopt the phone box at Minions following BT circulation to establish level of interest. A discussion was held regarding any other expressions of interest received and the matter would be listed for September following clarification of this.

The Chairman thanked the member of the public for her attendance and she left the room.

## 7) Planning:

a) Planning applications –

PA24/03858 – Patrieda Barton, Linkinhorne – Agricultural building:

**Resolved that** Linkinhorne Parish Council made the following recommendations:

Linkinhorne Parish Council commented that they were unable to make an informed decision as they would need some understanding as to whether the application was to house livestock or deadstock. The Council would endorse the comments made within both the other consultee comments however did not have enough information within the application to suggest the required use. More information and a re submission of the application for further discussion would be appreciated.

b) Any applications received before the meeting –

PA24/05139 – Uphill Cottage, Rilla Mill, Callington – Alterations and extension to dwelling, with associated works:

**Resolved that** Linkinhorne Parish Council had no objection to the application.

## 8) Play equipment and recreational areas:

a) Weekly safety inspections – One Councillor confirmed he had replaced the plank of wood missing from the play house. One Councillor reported the toddler gate opening catch may be coming loose. One Councillor would visit and check this.

It was noted that no other new issues had arisen following weekly safety inspections.

b) Jubilee Field –

i) To note for information that Birch Utility Services are due to cut vegetation away from cables in the field – This was noted for information.

ii) To consider / respond to Fields in Trust following response being received – A discussion was held regarding Fields in Trust offer of payment over a three year period. The benefits to the community

were considered alongside the advantages and disadvantages, also the benefits of registering the Jubilee Field as a village green.

**Resolved that** the clerk would compile information regarding the potential of registering the land as a village green. The clerk would respond to Fields in Trust to update them that Linkinhorne Parish Council were considering their proposal but required more time. The clerk would contact CCLT to arrange a further meeting preferably in person and not on Teams and list the item for further discussion on the September agenda.

iii) To obtain an update from one Councillor regarding Just Rods clearing the ditch – One Councillor reported that Just Rods are due to visit the field on the 17<sup>th</sup> July to continue to clear the ditch. The clerk had contacted the village hall who had confirmed they would ensure the tap was on and the clerk would ensure the gate was opened that morning for ease of access.

c) Rilla Mill Play Area - No reports of concern.

#### **9) Public Conveniences:**

a) Minions –

i) To consider / resolve the need for Legionella risk assessment for both Minions and Upton Cross – The clerk shared information received from South West Legionella Risk Assessment which confirmed that as there was no hot water system at either public convenience and no storage facility for cold water, that a basis risk assessment completed by the clerk would be adequate. It was not a high risk setting and water was received directly from the mains therefore sampling and testing on a regular basis was not required.

b) Upton Cross –

i) As detailed above, the risk assessment for Legionella in Upton Cross Public Convenience was low and did not require further assessment.

ii) To note for information that the toilet roll holder was now fitted back on the wall.

**10) To note for information Community Speed Watch have now had a further two sites approved by police, both Minions and Upton Cross. They are currently seeking additional volunteers and an advert had gone to the Link:**

This was noted for information.

**11) To note for information that the Minute Books for 2000 to 2015 had been delivered to the clerk. To consider / resolve the type of binding of minutes from 2015 to 2023 given significant cost increases:**

The clerk shared the costs of different forms of binding given the significant increase in costs of black hard back binding. The option of binding in hard back for several years at a time, a maximum of four, was considered alongside the risk of putting minutes in the post.

**Resolved that** the clerk would clarify the amount of pages allowed per hard back at the same cost and return the information to the next meeting. The clerk would contact Kresen Kernow for advice on the preferred method of binding.

**12) To note for information that Countryside Services are in the process of providing a new stile to path 614/16/1, Rilla Mill to Plusha, to be fitted by the land owner.**

This was noted for information.

**13) To consider / resolve the request from Highways for bus stop suitability and placement in Upton Cross:**

This was discussed in detail. It was agreed that any bus stop would need to be placed strategically on the corner to ensure a clear line of sight for passengers but must also be placed not to obstruct the vision of drivers. The chicane was an additional potential safety hazard which Highways would need to consider.

**Resolved that** the clerk respond to request clarification regarding the two colours of green on map provided and to state that as long as the bus stop could be placed with a clear line of sight for passengers waiting for the bus both on the road headed to Rilla Mill and also the road headed to Darley, and there was a clear line of vision for drivers to exit the road from Rilla Mill, then the bus stop would be a benefit.

**14) To consider / resolve reducing the monthly payment to Pennon Water Services as current credit stands at £101.09:**

**Resolved that** the clerk contact Pennon Water Services and get the direct debit reduced.

**15) To note for information that the annual electrical certificate and fixing of the light in the gents has been completed, the electrician has confirmed he does not intend to charge for either:**

This was noted for information.

**Resolved that** the clerk send a thankyou for his services on behalf of Linkinhorne Parish Council.

**16) To consider / resolve the supporting of one member of the public who wants to adopt the BT Kiosk at Upton Cross:**

This was written in error, the phone box in question is Minions not Upton Cross.

**Resolved that** the clerk would contact the previous member of the public who had expressed an interest. The clerk would keep the member of the public who attended the meeting at Item 4 and BT updated and list the item for further discussion in September 2024.

**17) To note for information that the hedgerow overgrowth had now been removed from the Jubilee Field:**

This was noted for information.

**18) To note for information Linkinhorne Parish Hall have emailed a thankyou for the portrait received of King Charles:**

This was noted for information.

**19) To note for information the response received from Planning Enforcement that they do not currently intend to take any formal enforcement action in relation to Primrose Vale Cottages:**

The response was noted and disappointment with the outcome discussed at length as the consensus was that the site was unacceptable now and should not be allowed to deteriorate further.

**Resolved that** the clerk would respond to state that Linkinhorne Parish Council were not happy with the response received. The clerk would contact Councillor Phil Seeva to update him and seek his views in relation to a written letter to the Local MP given the current housing difficulties in the area and these properties sat empty.

**20) Correspondence as listed:**

07/06/2024*	Devon and Cornwall Police	Diversity and Hate Crime Awareness Bitesize Event
07/06/2024*	Agenda	Strategic Planning Committee
07/06/2024*	AGM agenda	Tamar to Moor Community Area Partnership

		Meeting
10/06/2024*	Planning	Prior notification for proposed temporary recreational campsite
13/06/2024*	Minutes	East Sub-Area Planning Committee
13/06/2024*	Ethos	New road safety partnership
19/06/2024*	Police	Commissioners Column
21/06/2024*	Newsletter	Clean Cornwall
28/06/2024*	Agenda	East Sub-Area Planning Committee
01/07/2024*	Notification from Cornwall Council	Property asset in your town/parish:
01/07/2024*	Police	Since 22/5/24 to 30/6/24 there has been no disclosable crimes

**Decisions forwarded by Cornwall Council:**

PA24/01002 - The Green Netherton Upton Cross Liskeard Cornwall PL14 5BD - Proposed 6 shepherd's huts together with relocation of cabins previously approved – Approved.

PA24/02372 - Newlands House Upton Cross Liskeard Cornwall PL14 5AY - Construction of a new single storey rear extension and canopy porch attached to existing extension - Approved.

PA24/00688 - Brambles Upton Cross Liskeard Cornwall PL14 5BE - Exception notice for works to fell a douglas fir – Closed, advice given.

PA24/03246 - Sutton Oak Upton Cross Liskeard Cornwall PL14 5BA - Install an extension to the rear of the property – Approved.

PA24/00507 - East Park Upton Cross Liskeard Cornwall PL14 5BQ - Proposal Pre-application advice for proposed replacement dwelling and double garage - Closed - advice given.

**Notifications forwarded by Cornwall Council:**

PA24/04584 - Land South of Lanhargy, Bray Shop PL17 8QJ – Prior notification for proposed fodder storage.

PA24/04639 – Great Lanhargy Farn, Bray Shop, Callington, PL17 8QJ - Prior notification of agricultural development for provision of hard access to serve the fields with large agricultural machinery.

**15) Close of Business:** The meeting closed at 21.11pm