

Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly of the Parish Council held at Lanlivery Village Hall on Wednesday 26th April 2017 at 7.00 pm

Present Cllrs Haley, Christophers, Richards, Roberts, Sinkins and Turner.

In attendance The Parish Clerk, Mrs Sally Vincent
Cornwall Cllr Mrs Benedicte Jenkinson
6 members of the public.

16/144 Apologies Cllr Hughes, PCSO Ward, PC A Barnicoat

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It was proposed by Cllr Sinkins, seconded Cllr Roberts and RESOLVED that they be approved and signed by the Chairman.

16/146 Matters Arising

None.

16/147 To receive the Chairmans Report

Cllr Haley gave her annual report

Thank you for coming to the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council. It's nice to see you all, including some of you who attend our meetings regularly. The past year seems to have gone by so quickly.

We have yet again had a busy year attending the needs of the parish. One of the main problems is the state of the roads, with flooding, mud, and of course many potholes! Two of the roads into the village from the A390 have finally been repaired, and others are slowly being done, but still much more to do.

The recent spell of dry weather has also helped with the flooding and mud, but that could soon change if we have a couple of days of rain.

Fly tipping remains a problem around the parish roads and laybys, also at Helman Tor. All we can do is to keep reporting it to Highways.

The Parish Council organised an open meeting last June for a Broadband representative to come along and talk to parishioners who were having difficulties accessing in their area. Some suggestions were made to help the situation, but there is no funding at the moment to solve the problem.

We have dealt with many Planning Applications over the course of the year, and one was for an new additional classroom for the School to protect its viability. It is made from sustainable and environmental materials. The Parish Councillors were invited for the opening, and it is a splendid modern building giving the children light and much needed space.

Lanlivery School has recently been converted to "Academy" status.

The Neighbourhood Plan is progressing well, and is in the final stages. There are a few copies around the parish for anyone to look through.

Councillor Sinkins and her team have worked very hard on this project, and we look forward to her report.

I would like to thank my fellow Councillors for all their hard work and dedication they do on your behalf. Unfortunately, two of them, Councillor Christophers and Councillor Hughes, are standing down, so I would like to say

an extra thank you to them, and we are sorry to see them go and we will miss them.

We are fortunate that we have two new Councillors waiting in the wings! We would like to welcome Mr. Robbie Patterson, and Mr. Nigel Challis onto the Parish Council.

Our Cornwall Councillor, Mrs. Benedicte Jenkinson is also standing down. We thank her for attending all our monthly meetings and sorting out any problems we have through Cornwall Council. We wish her all the best for the future.

Finally, I would like to thank Sally, our Parish Clerk, for all she does. She keeps us in order and up to date on all official and legal matters.

The Chairman then presented Cllr Jenkinson with a box of chocolates and the Parish Clerk with a bouquet of flowers

16/148 To receive the report of the Cornwall Councillor

Cllr Jenkinson gave her annual report

Most of my time at Council in the last year has been spent dealing with Planning and Highways related issues.

Luckily the Planning issues have not involved Lanlivery Parish. Since the Cornwall Local Plan was formally adopted by Cornwall Council on the 22 November 2016 it has become easier for the East Planning Committee of which I am a member to shape the future of our area. It is also noticeable that Neighbourhood Plans even ones that are so far unadopted are being considered by Planning Officer. I know that Cllr Sinkins, Cllr Roberts, Sally and the steering group have been working tirelessly on the Local Plan for which they should be congratulated as it will mean that the Parish will now be able to shape its own future.

I hope that in the last year many of the potholes around the Parish have been mended although I seem to report new ones after nearly every Parish Council Meeting. I'm sure the local Highways officer must dread my emails.

Sadly I had no applications from the Parish for money from my Community Grant pot this year so My grant money went to putting in a new path to the state park in Lostwithiel and a grant to Lostwithiel Town Band for a new instrument.

It was a very hard decision not to re stand for the forth coming elections as it has been an honour to be your Cornwall Councillor for the last four years. I know that I have made many friends in the Parish and I will greatly miss our monthly meeting. I am sure that I will be keeping in touch.

16/149 To receive the Police Report

PCSO Jamie Ward had supplied the annual crime report.

There had been 20 crimes recorded in the parish during the year 3 x violence with injury, 2 x violence without injury, 5 x burglary dwelling, 1 x burglary non dwelling, 1 x vehicle offence, 5 x other theft, 3 x criminal damage and 25 incidents recorded.

16/150 To receive the report from the Tree Warden

Cllr Hughes had submitted the following report

This year there have been no remarkable incidents with trees on the parish roads. Residents seem very good at managing their own trees when the weather causes any damage and disruption and there have been no complaints that situations have not been sorted as soon as possible.

16/151 To receive the report from the Friends of the Luxulyan Valley

Cllr Hughes had submitted the following report.

The valley is in the process of being made much more available and interesting to visitors at the moment with paths being cleared, leats being cleaned, the viaduct being surveyed and I am sure much is going on behind the scenes to facilitate more friendly and varied interests for everyone to see and learn about. There have been a couple of the older and larger trees that became victim to weather and erosion but less obvious vandalism has been seen.

Hopefully in the near future trails about the flora and fauna will materialise as well as historical information and the talks and walks will continue.

16/152 To receive the report from the CALC representative

Cllr Sinkins reported that there was no update

16/153 To receive the Emergency Plan Report

Cllr Roberts reported

An emergency/major incident is any event or circumstance (happening with or without warning) that causes or threatens death or injury, disruption to the community, or damage to property or to the environment on such a scale that the effect cannot be dealt with by the emergency services, local authorities and other organisations without assistance. Although there is no statutory responsibility for communities to plan for, respond to, or recover from, emergencies, it is good practice to identify hazards and make simple plans on how they could respond to them. Lanlivery has developed this plan to provide resilience for the community in the pre-event phase or early stages of an emergency. The Lanlivery Community Response Team which currently is the existing parish council has been formed to assist the activation of this Plan and to assist the emergency services wherever possible, prior to, during and after an emergency event. The next update to the Plan will occur once the new parish council is formed. It is anticipated that the Plan will be held centrally in the village and will also be on the parish webpage.

16/154 To receive the Thomas Bullock Report

Cllr Christophers gave her annual report

The Thomas Bullock Trust held their annual meeting last November. There are two Trustees representing Lanlivery Parish Council and two from Lostwithiel Town Council. There is also one co-opted Trustee. There were 21 beneficiaries, mostly widows and widowers from the ancient Parish of Lanlivery. The charity was set up by Thomas Bullock in the 17th century for widows and orphans in the parish and has carried on since then.

16/155 To receive the report from the Luxulyan Valley Partnership

Cllr Sinkins gave her annual report

The LVP is a steering group made up of various stakeholders including Cornwall Council as owners of the majority of the land, the 4 adjoining Parish

and Town Councils (Lanlivery, Luxulyan, St Blazey and Tywardreath & Par), Cornwall Heritage Trust, who own the viaduct, the Pontsmill Community Turbine Fund and the Friends of the Luxulyan Valley.

As many people may be aware a joint bid was made some 18 months ago by CC and Cornwall Heritage Trust for HLF funding of £3.4 million. This bid was successful at Stage 1 meaning that CC was given funds of almost £250K and 2 years to submit detailed plans for how the funding might be spent to improve and maintain the Valley, increase public use and ensure the long term sustainability of this World Heritage Site.

These plans are now in the final stages of preparation and include costings for the restoration of the Treffry Viaduct, the leat system, installation of fish screens as required by the Environment Agency for the Pontsmill Turbine as well as improved access and interpretation for users of the valley. The long term future of the Valley should also be ensured by CC's parallel plan to replace the Ponstmill Turbine and use the income to continue to maintain the Luxulyan Valley for future generations to enjoy.

16/156 To receive the report from the Network Area Representative

Cllr Roberts gave her annual report

The Community Network group is a way in which Cornwall Council disseminates information down to Town and Parish Councils. There are meetings held approx. every quarter and Lanlivery attends these meetings along with neighbouring parishes (Fowey, Lostwithiel, St Blazey, Tywardreath and Par and Golant) and the local Cornwall Council members. The purpose of the networks is to

- Identify, agree and drive forward local priorities for their community network area
- Have their say on local service delivery and on strategies that affect their communities
- Work together to promote the wellbeing of their local areas and bring communities together
- Build relationships between the people and organisations working in their communities

In the past year we have had talks on some of the following topics: flooding, policing, planning, health and social welfare and the charity group – Keep Cornwall Fed - and various community events. This meeting also allows Councillors to establish links and network with other councils thus allowing for information to be shared and to ensure that we can learn from each other.

16/157 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Sinkins gave her annual report

The first draft of our Neighbourhood Plan has undergone several amendments and changes with the help of our steering group and I am pleased to say that it is now out for consultation until the end of April. If anyone who would like to look at the plan and has not yet done so then it is available on the Parish Council website and there are hard copies in the Church.

We have already had responses from some of the statutory consultees and we will look at all the responses, amending the plan if appropriate in May before submitting it to CC for final approval. This stage can take several months but once done we will be able to hold a referendum which, if successful, means

that the Lanlivery Neighbourhood will be adopted and have a major influence on local planning decisions.

I would like to thank all of those who have helped progress the Plan including the steering group members and especially Cllr Roberts and our Clerk, Sally Vincent for their help with the many amendments and drafts.

16/158 Public Questions

Keith Adams reported that the school was still thriving, although numbers were slightly down with currently 60 children on roll, plus 8 pre-school children. The school would be having a 'promotional drive' to try to increase numbers in the pre-school, although he understood that the birth rate was down, which possibly explained the drop in pupils.

The new building was very successful with plenty of room to accommodate special events.

The older children had had a successful visit to London recently when they had visited the Houses of Parliament and had met with their MP and heard the Prime Minister speak on Brexit. They had also been to St Paul's and the London Eye.

Keith explained that the school was now part of Bridge Academy, which is a group of 8 primary schools, although it was most closely associated with Darite, as Lanlivery shares a headmistress.

Keith then explained that he had been a school governor since 1980, acting as Chairman for the last twelve years, but he had now made the decision to stand down and would be succeeded by his Vice Chairman, Simon Parr. He had taken a great deal of pride in the school's achievements and working with other primary schools had proved to be very successful, learning from each other and sharing good practice. When he had first moved to the parish he had been told that there were three things in the village that must be preserved - the Church, the school and the village hall; he was proud to have contributed to this legacy. Keith concluded by thanking the parish council for all its help and support over the years. Cllr Richards recorded a huge thank you to Keith, both from the parish council and from the community, for a job well done.

The Chairman invited all present to enjoy some refreshments and a glass of wine kindly provided by her husband and herself and the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

Meeting Closed 7.36pm