# Linkinhorne Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting of the Council
Monday 10 June 2013 at the Parish Hall, Upton Cross at 7.30pm

#### **MINUTES**

1) Absent: Apologies were received from Lorna Stephenson, Cllr Couch, Cllr Stansfield

2) <u>Present</u>: Cllr Daniel, Cllr Hearn (Chairman), Cllr Hopes, Cllr Lobban (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Martin, Cllr Moyse, Cllr Ward, CCllr McWilliam

LHYS representative Mr B Wooster

6 members of the public

3) Declarations under Code of Conduct: none were declared

4) Minutes

Proposed, seconded and upon being put to the vote it was **resolved** unanimously to **approve** the minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council of Monday 13 May 2013 subject to the inclusion of Cllr Ward who was present at that meeting, and these were signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

5) Adjournment of up to 15 minutes for members of the public to raise matters

The meeting was adjourned to allow for Mr Jordan of Bray Shop to address the Council regarding the planning application for a wind turbine at Trefinnick. He expressed detailed concerns regarding several inaccuracies and omissions in the application. He informed the Council that the application did not take into account a number of points, including the number of properties within the locality of the proposed site, the proximity of properties adjacent to the site, and it had not addressed the cumulative impact in the light of another similar application. He also explained that the screening proposed would be ineffective as the proposed site rises up from nearby properties.

Two more members of the public arrived.

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

a) Police representative/Cllr representative of `Liskeard Have Your Say' (LHYS):

Bernie Wooster informed the Council that he was happy to continue with reporting back from the LHYS forum and offered to give a written report and to attend when he was available. Cornwall Council's dog warden service has been cut and there is no longer a direct line to a warden. All dog-related problems should be reported to the Cornwall Council 0300 number until a new email address becomes available.

The Council heard that crime reports have dropped in every parish in the LHYS area. But the public should be made aware of the following crimes and be on their guard against similar offences in the parish: dung spreader stolen from Pengover Green, and pigs were stolen in the Exeter area. Building site related crimes continue and are becoming more wide-spread.

An anti-drink/drug driving campaign is to commence in the summer when any vehicle may be stopped.

Speedwatch report – no offences arose out of checks in Pensilva. On Foredown in May there were 27 offences out of 552 vehicles checked, and only two animals deaths have been reported since the introduction of the 40 mph limit.

Rebecca Dickson leaves her post as from 28 June and a new appointment is awaited. She will be working part time for the Community Network group, covering the Cornwall East area and providing local assistance with the 'Pay Back Team'. She may be able to fund small scale enhancements outside of the Cornwall Council Highways' budget.

Bernie informed the meeting that he was happy to receive any email queries for the forum, that the meetings take place one week before the Parish Council meetings.

It was queried whether the Council representative on the LHYS should be a parish councillor but it was agreed that, for the time being, Bernie would continue in the role.

- the previous meeting explaining that she continues her role as parish councillor for St Ive PC. She assured the meeting of her commitment to represent all three parishes of the Lynher Division at Cornwall Council, and stressed that she would be representing the views of those who contact her, and not her own personal or political views. She commits to following the example set by the previous Cornwall Councillor, John Turner. She explained that she had been engaged in essential induction meetings at Cornwall Council, which had occupied too much of her time. She had asked for both wind turbine applications to be called to committee on the grounds of cumulative impact, and these would not be ready in time to be put to the June sub-planning meeting; both applications will go to committee together, probably in July at the earliest. CCllr McWilliam asked the Parish Council if it wished to consider engaging with the following:
  - i) a campaign on litter
  - ii) a Neighbourhood Plan, possibly in collusion with other parishes, warning that without one planning decisions risked being taken out of the hands of the Parish Council
  - ${\it iii})$  a combined (with other parishes) approach to the maintenance, inspection and  ${\it re-development}$  of play areas

It was **agreed** to put all three matters on to the next agenda.

The meeting heard that replacements for the missing car park signs at Minions were on order. CCllr McWilliam agreed to pursue Highways regarding the matter of the damaged cattle grid at Minions, and the remains of a fallen tree blocking the entrance to the Plashmill layby.

The Chairman thanked CCIIr McWilliam for her report and for attending the meeting.

# c) Reports from other councillors (other meetings, conferences)

i) Minions' public conveniences: it was **agreed** that the clerk would arrange a meeting with Cornwall Council's Jon James, Cllr Hopes, Cllr Hearn, Cllr Martin (if available), and the clerk.

### 7) Election of Representatives

It was **resolved** to refer this Item until the Parish Council completed the cooption process to fill the vacancies.

It was **resolved** to address the following items in the order as set out in these minutes

# 8) Planning (Agenda Item 11)

## a) Planning applications

Proposed, seconded and upon being put to the vote it was **resolved** that Cornwall Council be recommended to:

i) PA13/02844 Erection of 77m wind turbine at Trefinnick, Bray Shop - refuse

There was a successful motion to recommend refusal of the application on the basis that Cornwall Council had not required a cumulative impact assessment to be undertaken which, in the view of this Council, was a necessary prerequisite to understanding the impact of the proposal in the landscape with particular regard to the cumulative effect of existing and pending proposals for renewable energy in the locality

Should Cornwall Council be minded to grant permission, contrary to the view of the local Councils, it be requested to include application of the following planning conditions to safeguard the interests of the community and environment:

- 1) Implement those technical and other measures necessary to prevent adverse flicker
- 2) Implement those technical and other measures necessary to ensure that noise levels do not go above the identified threshold
- 3) Require that, should the site cease to be used for the siting of a wind turbine it be reinstated in full to its natural condition prior to the commencement of development
- 4) In the interests of highway safety and improvement consult with the local community on a proposal to relocate the existing 30mph limit to beyond the access to the solar farm
- 5) The turbine be coloured grey and not white to reduce its impact in the landscape and, in particular, when viewed from the AONB
- 6) All works being restricted to normal working hours with no work on Sundays
- 7) In line with recent government guidance ensure that a meaningful contribution passes to affected parish councils in a sum equating to not less than 5% of the annual value of energy produced
- ii) PA13/04453 Revision to application at Kit Cottage, Sterts, UX approve
- iii) PA13/02520 LBC remove ceilings to form galleries in 2 bedrooms at Addicroft Mill **approve**
- iv) PA13/04658 works to trees in Conservation Area at 4 Newhouses, Rilla Mill to be decided under delegated authority there was no plan/map attached; no comment.
- v) PA13/04693 Discharge of planning obligation relating to E2/92/0543 at Badgers, Plushabridge refuse the application on the basis that
- 1) a valid property marketing exercise has not been undertaken. Such an exercise would necessarily relate to the property and curtilage subject to the S106 Planning Obligation whereas the exercise actually conducted by the Agent also includes a significant additional amount of farmland which is neither covered by the S106 agreement nor material to a local occupancy condition.

- 2) In addition a valid marketing exercise should objectively establish at the outset, the market value of the property and the discount to be applied in the marketing exercise to reflect the value as adjusted taking into account the diminution arising from the S106 agreement.
- vi) PA12/07438 APP/D0840/A/13/2195964 Appeal in respect of application for the formation of informal equestrian schooling area at Minions. The Parish Council **resolved** to endorse its previous comments and recommendation to Cornwall Council to refuse consent.

### b) Decisions received from Cornwall Council Planning and Regeneration

- i) PA12/07438 formation of informal equestrian schooling area at land opp Duchy Terrace, Minions. An appeal has been refused by Cornwall Council.
- ii)PA13/03085 Application to fell one Birch tree within a Conservation Area at The Gables Rilla Mill **Decided not to make a TPO (TCA apps)**
- iii) PA13/02736 Renovation and conversion of redundant barn (Unit 1) into holidayaccommodation for disabled use at Lower Millcombe, Linkinhorne **APPROVED**
- iv) PA13/02737 Listed Building Consent for renovation and conversion of redundant barn (Unit 1) into holiday accommodation for disabled use at Lower Millcombe, Linkinhorne **APPROVED**
- v) PA13/03090 Application to fell a Beech tree within a Conservation Area at The Gables Rilla Mill **Decided not to make a TPO (TCA apps)**
- vi) PA13/03137 Retrospective Consent for the change of use of an agricultural storage shed into an agricultural livestock shed at North Coombe Farm, Rilla Mill **APPROVED**

#### 9) Finance (Agenda Item 10)

- a) Cash flow of accounts It was resolved to approve the cash flow statement as an accurate account and this was signed by the Chairman.
- b) Payments

It was **resolved** to approve the following i) £45.75 Clerk's expenses ii) £250 C Brunsden (parish plan refresh) iii) £20+VAT CALC (chairmanship training)

- c) Receipts i) £120 F D Hall & Son (2<sup>nd</sup> burial) ii) £180 F D Hall & Son (1st burial)
- **d)** Water meter to public conveniences at Upton Cross it was **agreed** that the clerk would seek a quote to re-site meter

# 10) Play equipment (Agenda Item 12)

- a) Risk assessments i) Jubilee Field no problems ii) Rilla Mill play area no problems
- **b)** Weekly inspections: To consider i) check sheet ii) weekly rota iii) signs

- It was  $\mbox{\bf agreed}$  to refer this to the next meeting in order to consider a format for a check sheet
- Jubilee Field Recreation Committee report, if available it was **agreed** that the clerk write a formal letter to the JFRC enquiring of the future of the project and intentions regarding the funds raised to date.

# 11) Works ordered/outstanding (Agenda Item 13)

a) i) Jubilee Field – play house floor – it was agreed to address this following the forthcoming play inspection ii) UX notice board – now complete iii) Henwood notice board – it was **resolved to approve** the purchase of a replacement as the old one is rotten.

### 12) Burial Ground (Agenda Item 14)

a) It was **agreed** to refer consideration of burial ground regulations to the next agenda. It was **agreed** that a small granite block vase did not constitute a monument.

#### 13) Correspondence (Agenda Item 15)

# a) Items requiring a decision

| 21/05/13  | R Masson    | HGV signs at Treovis – it was <b>agreed</b> to refer<br>this to the next agenda. It was <b>agreed</b> that<br>the clerk would ask Highways to replace the<br>sign at Treovis Cross with the same sign as at<br>North Darley, and would write to Ammotec |
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|           |             | Ruag to consider the use of smaller approach delivery vehicles.   |
| 16/05/13  | CC Planning | Training course - noted   |
| *16/05/13 | СНАНР       | Invitation to meeting at Wheal Tor re future of funding – <i>noted</i>  |

# b) Items for information only - the following were noted or addressed in agenda

| 10/06/13<br>10/06/13 | I Horrell<br>HAGS and SMP          | Application for councillor vacancy (ref Item 8) Play products – community news inc on funding |
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| 06/06/13             | B Wyatt                            | Application for councillor vacancy (ref Item 8)   |
| 04/06/13             | B Wooster LHYS<br>rep              | (see Item 6(a))   |
| 03/06/13             | Comwall<br>Community<br>Foundation | Community benefits – solar/wind farms   |
| 03/06/13             | Came & Company                     | Receipt of payment and insurance documents  |
| 03/06/13             | Liskeard Have Your                 | Actions and updates   |
| 20 /05 /1 2          | say                                | Common filatta in the COULD C Management from the Management                                  |
| 30/05/13             | WCs at Minions                     | Copy of letter to CCllr S McWilliam from Mrs V Ham <i>ref Item 6I(i) of agenda</i>            |
| 30/05/13             | CC Streetworks                     | Road closure notice - Henwood/Minions   |
| 30/05/13             | CC Streetworks                     | Road closure notice – Rilla Mill/Linkinhorne  |
| *23/05/13            | RSN online                         | Rural youth – conference – now full   |
| *22/05/13            | CHAHP                              | Events and training courses   |
| *20/05/13            | CHAHP<br>Mrs V Appleby             | Dates for your diary  |
| 19/05/13             | Mrs Y Appleby<br>CALC              | Application for councillor vacancy (ref Item 8)   |
| *17/05/13            | CALC                               | Local Audit and Accountability Bill The Week issue 06 – includes courses/training             |
| 13/05/13             | Christine Hordley                  | Application for councillor vacancy (ref Item 8)   |
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# 14) Councillor Vacancies (Agenda Item 8)

It was **resolved to approve** the following co-options to fill the councillor vacancies subject to confirmation of qualification: Yvonne Appleby, Christine Hordley, Ian Horrell, and Ben Wyatt. Cllr Hearn (Chairman) abstained from the vote.

# 15) Close of Business

The meeting closed at 9.55pm