

Linkinhorne Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Monday 10th June 2024 at 8.30pm at Linkinhorne Parish Hall, Upton Cross
Minutes

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

Members of the public: None.

1) Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllr D. Heritage, Cllr C. Hordley.

2) Code of Conduct:

a) To receive declarations: Cllr R. Hanson Item 6b (iv)

b) To grant dispensation: The Chairman granted Cllr R. Hanson dispensation to remain in the room.

3) Minutes:

Resolved that the Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting of Linkinhorne Parish Council held on the 13th May 2024 be confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

Councillor Phil Seeva entered the room and gave apologies for being late.

4) Public Participation:

No members of the public were in attendance.

5) Reports from and matters of concern to:

a) Cornwall Councillor Phil Seeva:

Cllr P. Seeva reported that the last Full Cornwall Council Meeting was the Annual General Meeting, there were no significant updates to be shared. His main role whilst covering for Cllr S. Daw was to distribute the Community Chest Grant Fund. He confirmed that any further grant funding Linkinhorne Parish Council required should be applied for as soon as possible. Linkinhorne Parish Council thanked Cllr P. Seeva for his support as a grant for the amount of £464.68 had just been awarded to Linkinhorne Parish Council for the work on the bus shelter at Rilla Mill. Cllr P. Seeva also requested to be kept informed regarding any ongoing case work which he would oversee to avoid any duplicate work causing confusion. The Chairman raised The Cheesewring Hotel as there were ongoing complaints regarding the lack of progress and this was an ongoing source of contention. Cllr Seeva agreed that he would continue to monitor the situation and report back any movement. Cllr P. Seeva also reported that he had visited Primrose Vale Cottages following the comments that were raised at the last meeting of Linkinhorne Parish Council and was updated with the difficulties of progressing this forward.

b) Councillors:

One Councillor reported that they attended St Cleer's Annual Parish Meeting to represent Linkinhorne Parish Council following an invitation being received. He confirmed that St Cleer now had a new clerk, the Chairman was very welcoming and that following a difficult period for St Cleer Parish Council a more cohesive approach was now in place. Grant applications were discussed at St Cleer's Annual Parish Meeting and it was suggested that Linkinhorne Parish Council also take steps to accept grant applications prior to the annual budget setting. This would allow the Finance

Committee to discuss them at part of the budget process in October and potentially increase the budget allowance for awarding grants.

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) £10.50, (Padlock for Jubilee Field), ii) £6.58 (no dogs sign), iii) £36.80 (stamps and recorded postage), iv) £9.99 (gold paint for railings of war memorial), v) £25.00 (RMVH room hire), vi) £733.72 (Play area maintenance), vii) £145.00 (Plumber, cistern at Minions), viii) £160.00 (removal of hedge wood at Jubilee Field), ix) £464.68 (re roofing of bus shelter), x) £455.80 (WC cleaning May).

The Chairman thanked one Cllr for painting the arrows of the War Memorial Railings in Gold, thirty in total to represent the thirty individuals listed on the War Memorial.

c) Receipts:

i) £1548.08 (LPM Footpaths), ii) £81.00 (coin collection, Minions WC's), iii) £1287.83 (VAT reclaimed) – Noted for information.

d) To agree / resolve to adopt the updated NALC Financial Regulations 2024:

Resolved that the updated NALC Financial Regulations 2024 be adopted. Cllr C. Hearn abstained.

7) Planning:

a) Planning applications –

PA24/03531 – Starts Arts and Entertainment Centre, Upton Cross, Liskeard – remove existing conservatory. Construct a new roof over the conservatory area, and lower the existing ridge line to form a flat roof. Alterations to the building access and floor levels to create increased and enhanced means of access.

Resolved that Linkinhorne Parish Council made the following recommendation:

The Chairman commented that had all applications been submitted at the same time, they would not have been approved. However, after brief consideration Linkinhorne Parish Council had no objections to the application.

b) Any applications received before the meeting – None.

Cllr P. Seeva left the room.

8) Play equipment and recreational areas:

a) Weekly safety inspections –

It was noted that no new issues had arisen following weekly safety inspections. The last inspection took place on the 4th June 2024 for both fields.

b) Jubilee Field –

i) To note the fitting of a new padlock on the field gate, Cormac were given a spare key on the 24th May 2024 – This was noted for information.

ii) To consider / resolve a further meeting with Just Rods at the field as the weather has now improved – an update was given to the meeting by one Councillor who had attended the initial visit to the field with Just Rods.

Resolved that now the weather has improved and the water level reduced at the side of the field, the clerk contact Just rods to arrange a further date for them to return to unblock the drain. One Councillor would also like to be present and gave his availability to the clerk. The clerk would ensure that as previously agreed with Linkinhorne Parish Hall, they would turn on the outside tap as requested by Just Rods.

iii) To note / consider an email received from Fields in Trust to report that they have been asked to look for an organisation to transfer the field to as Linkinhorne Parish Council are not proceeding with the transfer – A discussion was held as one Cllr reported that the community initially raised the money to ensure the Jubilee Field remained in the care of Linkinhorne Parish Council and therefore it should remain in the control of Linkinhorne Parish Council. Further questions were raised including why Fields in Trust are looking to transfer the field when all the maintenance was financed by Linkinhorne Parish Council with no costs to Fields in Trust, also why the conveyancing costs were quoted so high when Fields in Trust had an in house solicitor. Lastly, whether all the same covenants would remain in place if the field was transferred to another organisation.

Resolved that the clerk would respond to the email and question the above points.

c) Rilla Mill Play Area -

i) To note for information the No Dogs sign has now been fitted as requested – This was noted for information.

9) Public Conveniences:

a) Minions –

i) To resolve the light in the gents is not working –

Resolved that the clerk would contact Andrew Davey Electrician to request this be fixed.

ii) To note for information Corserv have now returned keys for the gents and the ladies at Minions WC's however there is something jammed in the lock of the disabled toilet which needs to be removed –

This was noted for information. One Cllr reported that he had removed the broken key from the toilet roll holder in the disabled toilet and this could now be accessed. He also updated the meeting that the renovation was ongoing and the toilets were looking immaculate.

Resolved that the clerk thank the new cleaner for the improvements in hygiene. The clerk obtain copies of the keys for all toilet roll holders.

The clerk updated the meeting that the toilets had been closed today the 10th June 2024 until further notice due to a blocked drain. One Cllr had attempted to clear this but been unsuccessful and agreed it required professional intervention. The issue had been reported to South West Water and the clerk would follow this up tomorrow.

b) Upton Cross –

i) To resolve repair of the toilet roll holder currently removed from the WC as it came of the wall –

Resolved that one Cllr will pick up the toilet roll holder and refit it to the wall at his earliest convenience.

10) To note for information that one member of the public has requested to “adopt” the BT phone box in Upton Cross:

The clerk confirmed that following an initial inquiry in March 2024 to “agree, adopt or object” to the removal of the phone box at Upton Cross, one member of the public had come forward to adopt the box. The clerk had provided contact details as requested and Linkinhorne Parish Council was no longer involved in the process.

11) To consider request to participate with other local Parish Councils to prepare a mandate regarding Plusha Junction:

The clerk advised that she had been invited to attend Lewannick Parish Council Meeting as Plusha Junction was due to be discussed and gave an overview to the meeting. One Cllr confirmed that the use was currently being considered by the Tamar to Moor Community Area Partnership.

Resolved that the clerk would contact Lewannick Parish Council and confirm that Linkinhorne Parish Council would like to be kept informed of any updates.

12) To note for information that £40,000 has now been invested in CCLA investment Management Limited from the 23rd May 2024:

This was noted for information.

13) To discuss / consider information received from a member of the public raising concerns regarding the proposed yellow lines in Rilla Mill:

This was noted for information.

Resolved that the clerk pass this onto Highways for their information.

The Chairman reported that there was additional correspondence not listed on the agenda. This was from Highways in relation to a potential bus stop being placed at Upton Cross.

Resolved that the clerk would circulate the email to all Councillors and the matter would be listed for discussion at the next meeting due to take place on the 8th July 2024.

The clerk confirmed that the donation of a picnic bench from The Recycling for Charity Project had today, been delivered to the Jubilee Field.

Resolved that the clerk write a letter of thanks to the project for the bench.

14) Correspondence as listed:

12/05/2024*	Cornwall Council	Affordable Housing Newsletter
12/05/2024*	Cormac	Caradon Community Network Panel
12/05/2024*	Peninsula Transport	Electric Vehicle Charging Study
12/05/2024*	Local Council Planning Training	Short term lets and Article 4s; Community Growing
13/05/2024*	Newsletter	Cornwall Community Flood Forum
13/05/2024*	Community Link Officer	Community Safety pop-up event 29th May - 10am-12pm
16/05/2024*	NALC	Revised Good Councillors Guide
20/05/2024*	Community link Officer	The Party Wall Act & Other Neighbourly Matters
20/05/2024*	Minutes	East Sub-Area Planning Committee
22/05/2024*	PCSO Steve Edser	Since 1/5/24 to 22/5/24 there has been the following crime in the Linkinhorne area that is disclosable. Malicious Communication
23/05/2024*	Statistics	Citizens Advice Bureau 2023-2024
28/05/2024*	Community Link Officer	Community Safety Pop-Up event
28/05/2024*	Cornwall Council	Neighbourhood Planning Newsletter
02/06/2024*	Agenda	East Sub-Area Planning Committee

Decisions forwarded by Cornwall Council:

PA24/03500 - Caradon Hill Transmitter Pensilva Liskeard Cornwall PL14 5PJ - COM-0027675
Notification under the Electronic Communications Code of the intention to install Electronic Communications apparatus - Closed - advice given.

PA24/01393 - Mengleth Men Minions Liskeard Cornwall PL14 5LE – 1. Proposed construction of a new galvanised steel & glass balcony and staircase to replace existintg Juliet balcony. 2. Construction of new gazebo type 'breeze' house in garden – Decision approved.

PA23/09394 - Land North West Of Kenilworth Uphill Cornwall PL17 7PB - Permission in principle for one infill dwelling on previously developed land (garden) – application refused.

PA24/01102 - Great Lanhargy Farm Bray Shop Cornwall PL17 8QJ - Conversion/change of use of barn to a dwelling including demolition of part and erection of an extension within the footprint of the demolished element – Refused.

PA24/02677 – Sharptor House, Henwood, Liskeard, Cornwall, PL14 5AT - Demolition of existing stables/stores/field shelter buildings, erection of replacement stables/stores/field shelter buildings & alterations to grass manege to provide new manege surface, with associated works – Approved.

One Councillor reported that in relation to PA24/03500 could the clerk request that Cornwall Council provide notify Linkinhorne Parish Council at the same time in relation to applications at Caradon Hill.

Notifications forwarded by Cornwall Council:

None.

15) Close of Business: The meeting closed at 20.48pm