

**Minutes of the Meeting of Lewannick Parish Council Meeting held
on Tuesday 17th February 2026 at 7.30pm in Lewannick Village Hall, Lewannick**

Present: Cllr M White (Chairman), Cllr C Newbery (Vice Chair), Cllr S Jasper, Cllr P Atkinson,
Cllr K Owens, Cllr A Hobden, Cllr Sleep and Cllr K McRae-Powell

In Attendance: L Coles, Parish Council Clerk, Cllr A Parsons, Cornwall Council

There were 2 members of the public present.

Item No		Action By
1	Apologies. Cllr J Newbery and Cllr Finnimore gave apologies for absence and Cllr Parsons, Cornwall Councillor, gave apologies for being late to the meeting.	
2	Declarations of Interest a) Agenda Items. Cllr White and Cllr Owens declared an interest in Item 6b)PA26/00871 b) Gifts. No declarations	
3	Consideration of written requests for dispensation. No requests received	
4	Unitary Councillor's Report. Cllr Parsons was late to the meeting- item deferred.	
5	Public Participation. Resident spoke about PA25/08774, which will affect his property. The drawings are still inadequate but there has been changes made to the plans. It is still an imposing building right on the boundary of the neighbouring property. The plans show a lowered ridge height but there is no data provided to evidence that this will be lower than the neighbouring property. No survey appears to have been completed to compare heights in context with neighbouring properties. The ground level of the neighbouring property is the same as that of the proposed development; it is definitely not lower and so there is an anomaly with the data provided. There is still no provision of parking space. Ian Scott spoke about the recent Plusha Stakeholder Working Group Meeting and gave an update. There are now three proposals being put forward; the bridge at Old Hill and the underpass at Strayer Park options have both been dismissed. Discussion followed regarding the right turn onto the A30 from Polyphant/Blackhill Quarry and the Clerk will send a letter to National Highways, Cornwall Council and the MP, Ben Maguire objecting to the closure of this crossing. It is expected that the next meeting with Cornwall Council regarding Plusha will be held sometime in March. One member of the public left the meeting.	Clerk
4	Unitary Councillor's Report Cllr Parsons continued with the discussion on Plusha and the problems of closing the right hand turn at Polyphant. National Highways has implemented interim measures which could mean a delay in delivering a solution to Plusha Junction. Cornwall Council's final suggestion will be given in a month or two. Peninsular Transport Board is taking an interest which could add weight. It would be of benefit if a final draft plan was put together. The surface of roads in Cornwall is terrible at the moment but more money has been given for potholes which will make a small difference. There is a Full Council meeting next week with budget setting taking place which will probably lead to a 4.99% council tax increase for 2026/27. A Strategic Planning Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday. Cornwall Council is proposing new car park charges for Kit Hill and the Camel Trail, and other beauty spots. CIL funding is now available for infrastructure projects.	

6	<p>Planning.</p> <p>a) Planning applications received before the agenda was finalised:</p> <p>PA25/08774, The Old Police House, Lewannick, Launceston. Replacement of existing workshop roof and extension over to create a first floor residential unit above the existing workshop/store with associated works including external access stair. The Council discussed this application and concluded that there is a general concern about the impact of the development on the neighbouring property. Despite the plan being resubmitted there is still no provision for a parking space and the plans still seem inadequate; it also appears that no surveys have been carried out to provide the necessary data required to make a proper judgement. It was RESOLVED to object to this application, proposed by Cllr Atkinson and seconded by Cllr Owens with all in favour.</p> <p>PA26/00077, Jasmine Cottage, Polyphant, Launceston. Listed Building Consent for work to the roof, to include removal of small amount of existing Delabole slate (if required) and set aside to reinstate, supply breathable membrane (if required), relay original slate and add additional Delabole slate as required, remove and replace first two ridge tiles, replace lead to chimney and valley where required and check top of chimney and repair as necessary. This application has been withdrawn.</p> <p>b) Planning applications received after the agenda was published:</p> <p>The Chairman, Cllr White, and Cllr Owens left the meeting, having declared an interest in the following application, Cllr C Newbery, Vice Chair, took the chair for the item:</p> <p>PA26/00871, Land North of Bovetown Bungalow, Lewannick, Launceston. Works to trees subject to a TPO. Young Sycamore. 1 dead to fell. 4 to fell growing at an angle likely to impose into dwelling area. Also concerned that future severe storm could bring trees down and cause harm to property or persons. 1 limb at approximately 4m to cut back as overhanging/encroaching building area. Propose replacing felled trees 1 for 1 in alternative location. It was RESOLVED to support this application, proposed by Cllr Sleep, seconded by Cllr C Newbery with all in favour.</p> <p>Cllr White and Cllr Owens returned to the meeting. Cllr White retook the Chair.</p> <p>c) Planning decisions notified by Cornwall Council.</p> <p>PA25/08647, Land adjacent Glebelands Old Hill Lewannick PL15 7QD. Provision of a single garage/store to include for an electric car charging facility. APPROVED</p> <p>d) Other Planning Matters. None</p>	
7	<p>Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 16th December 2025. It was RESOLVED that the Minutes are a true record of the Meeting, proposed by Cllr Hobden, seconded by Cllr C Newbery with all those who had been present at that meeting in favour.</p>	
8	<p>Matters Arising from the above Minutes.</p> <p>The shop and post office in Lewannick has now closed.</p>	
9	<p>Parish Matters. Nothing to report</p>	
10	<p>Assertion 10. The Clerk has circulated an IT Policy and a Data Protection Policy, to be resolved for adoption at the March meeting. Cllrs .gov.uk email addresses to be confirmed</p>	Clerk
11	<p>Highway and Footpath Matters.</p> <p>a) A30/B3257 junction at Bodmin Moor Services (Plusha). Already covered.</p> <p>b) Landers Lake. No update</p> <p>c) Cllr Sleep reported that Trevadlock Cross is still flooded and Cllr Parsons will report this again to Highways.</p>	AP
11	<p>Play Areas and Open Spaces.</p> <p>a) Lewannick Play Area. Storm Gorette took down a lot of the new fence, which Andrew</p>	Clerk

	<p>Rowse has repaired. The ramp for the zip wire still needs to be done and the Chairman will remind AR.</p> <p>The Clerk will contact Kompan re a meeting to discuss repairs etc. to the mound in the play park.</p> <p>b) Polyphant Green and Play Area. Beech Tree. The Clerk has received a quote from Langore Tree Services for the removal of the Beech tree but has not heard anything further. The Clerk will chase up.</p> <p>The roadside hedge on the quarry side of the road is encroaching again and the Clerk will write to Blackhill Quarry.</p> <p>There are potholes on the road to the surgery; this is an unmade road.</p> <p>There is a tree leaning over onto another tree at Polyphant House which needs to be removed. The Clerk will contact Bees Trees.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
12	<p>Correspondence. Circulated to Members</p> <p>a) SPAG Plusha February update. Noted</p> <p>b) Cornwall Council slides from the Plusha workshop held at Altarnun. Noted</p>	
13	<p>Finance</p> <p>a) It was RESOLVED to ratify the payments made for December (circulated by email) and to make the following payments for January 2026, Proposed by Cllr Hobden, seconded by Cllr Owens, with all in favour.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online – Clerk’s December salary, office and expenses • Online – HMRC, Clerk’s December PAYE & Employer NIC • Online – Clerk’s January salary, office and expenses • Online – HMRC, Clerk’s January PAYE & Employer NIC • Online – Launceston Print, newsletter printing - £65.00 • Online – Lewannick Village Hall, hire for meetings - £32.00 • Online – A Rowse, storm damage to fence repairs - £350.00 • Direct Debit – Monthly account charge, Unity Trust - £6.00 <p>b) Receipts. None</p> <p>c) Bank Reconciliations. It was RESOLVED that the bank reconciliation for December 2025 and January 2026 is correct, proposed by Cllr Atkinson, seconded by Cllr Hobden with all in favour.</p> <p>d) Appointment of Internal Auditor for 2025/2026 and 2026/2027 It was RESOLVED to appoint CL Finance LLP as the internal auditor until March 2027. Proposed by Cllr Hobden, seconded by Cllr C Newbery with all in favour.</p>	
14	Any Other Business. None	
15	<p>Items for the next Agenda.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assertion 10 • Beech Tree 	
16	<p>Date and time of the next meeting.</p> <p>The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 17th March 2026 at 7.30pm, in Lewannick Village Hall, Lewannick.</p>	

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.53pm

SignedChairman. Dated.....

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