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Minutes of the Meeting of **LAMERTON PARISH COUNCIL** in Lamerton Sports and Community Centre  
On **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 19.30 pm**

**Present:** Cllr M Exley-Deane (Chair), Cllr A Cole (vice-chair), Cllr K Dreher, Cllr R Geake

**Absent:** Cllr S Deeks

**In Attendance:** Mrs C Oxenham (Parish Clerk), Cllr N Jory (WDBC), 1 member of the public

## **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Now the road has been tarred, can DCC be requested to extend the road markings. Cllr Exley-Deane has already requested this and been told this will not be done.

## **88-2025 APOLOGIES**

Cllr Deeks had sent his apologies (ill) as had Cllr Grainger (DCC)

## **89-2025 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No interests were declared.

## **90-2025 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY AND 24<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025**

20<sup>th</sup> May 2025 – Amendment to 60-2025 to read ‘3 years’ not ‘5 years’. Following this amendment, Cllr Cole proposed that both sets of minutes be adopted as a true record, seconded by Cllr Dreher and agreed by all who had been present at the meeting.

## **91-2025 COMMUNITY CENTRE - TO DISCUSS PROGRESS RE THE LEASE AND ASSOCIATED COSTS**

Cllrs had a positive meeting recently with the Community Centre committee (CCC) to discuss the lease and how the long-term sustainability of the hall could best be managed. (Minutes to be written and circulated by the CCC). There is lots of work to be done and both parties acknowledged that there are gaps in the lease regarding responsibilities going forward. Cllr Coler proposed that DALC be contacted to ask for advice about what the PC can legally commit to in terms of funding, seconded by Cllr Exley-Deane and agreed by all. Cllr Dreher to produce draft letter for circulation.

## **92-2025 ALLOTMENTS – TO DISCUSS PROGRESS MADE SINCE THE LAST MEETING.**

Cllr Geake had been in contact with Mr May-Somerville. A breakdown of the legal expenses has now been received. Cllr Geake proposed that this be paid, seconded by Cllr Exley-Deane and agreed by Cllr Cole. Cllr Dreher abstained.

Cllr Geake also brought the signed headlease to the meeting and confirmed that the counterpart lease document had been passed to Mr May Somerville. Both have been dated December (although it was noted that they should have been dated as at the date of exchange). Clerk will now send a copy of the sublease to the allotment society and request payment for this year’s rent.

Cllr Cole proposed that a Standing Order be set up for payment of the rent going forward, seconded by Cllr Dreher and agreed by all. Clerk to ask Mr May Somerville for bank details.

School plot – this is included in the £300 payment to be sent to Mr May Somerville (and is already discounted in the amount due from the allotment society).

Insurance – Although the PC do have public liability insurance, the allotment society are responsible for insurance of the allotments and have already provided a copy of their certificate. This will now be forwarded to Mr My Somerville.

Cllr Geake was thanked for getting everything organised and bringing this matter to a conclusion.

## **93-2025 TO DISCUSS ANY UPDATES RE HIGHWAYS MATTERS**

i) Traffic at Iron Railings – Cllr Jory had nothing to report. Trees on Sparlings side (looking towards

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Tavistock) need cutting back again. Cllr Jory will raise this.

ii) Newly re-opened road access at Camplehaye – This has now been investigated by WDBC who have declared there is no breach of planning. This seems to contradict the information contained in the original application. Cllr Jory to refer WDBC to the original plan application and ask for clarification.

iii) Update re general state of road markings throughout the village- nothing further to add.

### 94-2025 TRAFFIC UPDATE AND VAS CAMERA UPDATE – TO INCLUDE DISCUSSION REGARDING END OF WARRANTY PERIOD FOR THE EVOLIS EQUIPMENTS

Top camera readings still not up and running yet. Speedwatch has not been out recently due to roadworks and road closures.

Evolis warranty – It was agreed that this would not be purchase.

### 95-2025 WEBSITE – UPDATES RE ANY ACTIONS REQUIRED

Nothing to report

### 96-2025 PLANNING

a) For information only:

WDBC 0107/22/OPA	Readvertisement (additional information and amended description). Outline application for proposed development of 19 dwellings with access and external works with all matters reserved other than the access. Land north of, Green Hill	Conditional Approval
WDBC 3773/24/FUL	Replacement dwelling Belgrove Bungalow, Lamerton PL10 8SA	Refusal
WDBC 0981/25/HHO	Householder application for single storey side extension Candolim, Tavistock, PL19 8NS	Conditional approval
WDBC 3856/24/FUL	Change of use of agricultural land for the siting of 5 shepherd huts for holiday accommodation Development Site at Sx 447 766 (Summer Green), Lamerton	Refusal
WDBC 2751/24/HHO Appeal ref: Q1153/D/25/3 363778	Proposal-demolition of store & erection of a two-storey building providing ancillary domestic garaging, workshop, and storeroom above. The Old Shippon, Lower Hill Farm, Lamerton, Tavistock	Appeal allowed
DCC 4434/2025	Retrospective application to allow the use of land for crushing and screening of inert material, stockpiling of screened material and processing of green waste at Hayedown Industrial Estate, Hayedown, Tavistock, Devon	Grant of conditional planning permission

b) For discussion/decision:

WDBC 1754/25/FUL	Construction of a covered slurry store together with associated landscaping. South Hilltown Farm, Lamerton, PL19 8RR	Support Proposed Cllr Geake, second Cllr Exley-Deane all in favour.
WDBC 1567/25/FUL	Erection of 5 dwellings and creation of access Land at Sx 448 762 (Land to South of Fortesque Terrace), Lamerton	Object* Proposed Cllr Dreher, second Cllr Exley-Deane all in favour

\*The proposal is for 3 and 4 bed houses. According to ONS data there is no housing need and this application doesn't address the imbalance of housing type within the area (SPT2.4, SPT 2.5 ad DEV 8.1 and TTV25). In addition to this, there would be 6 dwellings using 1 unadopted access. Visibility is

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poor due to nature of parking of existing vehicles. Cllr Exley-Deane to provide data from VAS cameras to support the objection.

Parish Councillors also considered the comments made by a resident (previously circulated).

c) To discuss progress re legal advice concerning planning application 0107/22/OPA (Land North of Green Hill – Cllr Dreher to send amended draft letter for circulation to Cllrs and clerk to send.

### 97-2025 **FINANCES**

Unity Trust Bank account balance as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025 £15,898.38

a) Invoices due for payment to be authorised:

Clerks salary (June)	£319.47
Clerks salary (July)	£319.67
HMRC (April, May, June and July)*	£299.40
ICO (new DD mandate signed to be sent to ICO)	£52.00
Elliott Groundcare (cemetery 1/2/3/4/5/cuts)	£650.00
Unity Trust (account management fee May and June)	£12.00
Dartprint (newsletter)	£76.50
Allotment payment (2025/26)	£300.00
Lamerton Sports and Community Centre (hall hire May and June)	£30.00

\* cheque 300009 to be cancelled as payment to be made by direct bank transfer

Payments to be made direct from Unity Trust (Cllrs Dreher and Cole to authorise by the end of the week). Cllr Exley-Deane proposed that these be approved, seconded by Cllr Cole and agreed by all. Clerk to ask for more detail from Elliott Groundcare of when the cuts were done.

### 98-2025 **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN GROUP – TO RECEIVE ANY MINUTES AND INTERIM REPORTS AND UPDATE RE AECOM REPORT**

Nothing further to report. There are no meetings as no funding. Cllr Dreher has contacted the NP Support Officer for advice regarding future funding and has also contacted the NP Champion for advice about how to proceed further without a viability assessment (which would be expensive). Cllr Jory will seek further advice.

### 99-2025 **CEMETERY – UPDATE RE WATER, HEDGES AND TREES**

No updates as yet.

### 100-2025 **LITTER PICKING**

Nothing to report.

### 101-2025 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nothing to report

### 102-2025 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 7.30pm

### 103-2025 **CLOSE** – The meeting closed at 9.00pm