

Ludgvan Parish Council

Minutes – 11 August 2025

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Ludgvan Parish Council held on Monday 11 August 2025 at 6.45pm in the Murley Hall, Ludgvan

Councillors present: Councillors: R Porter (Chair), S Miucci (Vice-Chair), A Groves (from 6.53pm) , L Miucci, C Rodda, M Wallis.

In attendance: Cornwall Councillor Martin and 20 members of the public.

Officer support: Clerk / RFO

LPC25.26.113	<p>To record absences and note apologies for absence</p> <p>Councillors not present – Cllrs Brindley and Mortimer, with apologies received from both Councillors. Cllr Brindley attended via video link, and so in her capacity as a member of the public (non-voting).</p>
LPC25.26.114	<p>Co-option applications</p> <p>The Parish Council received an application for a vacancy of Councillor.</p> <p>Resolved – that Michelle Wallis be co-opted as a Ludgvan Parish Council (Crowlas Ward)</p>
LPC25.26.115	<p>Declaration of Acceptance of Office</p> <p>Cllr Michelle Wallis signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.</p>
LPC25.26.116	<p><u>Declarations of Interest:</u></p> <p>Cllr Rodda declared an interest in Minutes 126 & 127 as an allotment tenant at Church Hill allotments, and withdrew from the meeting during that item.</p> <p>Cllr Wallis declared an interest in Minute 120 a) and withdrew from the meeting during that item.</p>
LPC25.26.117	<p>Member Dispensations - None</p>
LPC25.26.118	<p>Public Speaking</p> <p>Residents affected by the flight path and/or proximity to the Penzance Heliport attended to speak, to voice their objections to the planning application PA25/04955. Written representations received before the meeting had been circulated to Parish Councillors in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>Concerns raised included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The national and local planning policy guidelines put in place to protect local residents and the conditions which were imposed in the original planning application to help protect the quality of life of those affected by the noise and flight paths of the helicopters using the Penzance Heliport. - Concerns that the application, if granted, would result in a decrease in monitoring of the activities and noise implications at the heliport - The level of noise nuisance already suffered by local residents as a result of the operations of the heliport. - A request for the applicant to be required to carry out a public consultation to inform the decision on this planning application.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A technical document attached to the planning application was referred to. - Helicopters produce noise (unwanted sound) of over 90dB and as the helicopter increases in height, the affected area increases although the volume then decreases a little. At all stages there are different noise profiles with different frequencies, and so measuring an intrusive noise from helicopters can be problematic. Each of the 4 locations used in the monitoring report would have its own noise profile and so the nuisance value needs to take this into account. The locations and the time of year need to be taken into account when interpreting the technical report. - AW139 helicopter is no longer being used and so noisier helicopters are now proposed to be used. - Community garden on Potters Lane, often working with vulnerable people. The noise levels have adversely affected people supported by the garden. - Calls for Cornwall Council to require a public consultation and for the application to be considered by Cornwall Council planning committee and not decided under delegated powers. - Concerns that there appeared to be no effective planning enforcement at the Heliport site.
LPC25.26.119	<p>Minutes of the meeting held on 16 July 2025</p> <p>Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting of the Council, as above, having been circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record of the meeting.</p> <p>Noted – the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 16 July 2025</p>
LPC25.26.120	<p>Planning Applications</p>
	<p>a) PA25/05068 – Rose-in-Vale Farm, Ludgvan, Penzance – Lawful Development Certificate (existing) for access drive and 5 levelled hard-standings.</p> <p>Councillor Wallis declared an interest in this item and withdrew from the meeting during its consideration.</p> <p>Resolved – that the parish council has no evidence to offer but is supportive of the application.</p>
	<p>b) PA25/03980 – Land NW of Higher Carvossa Bungalow, Blowing House Hill, Ludgvan, Penzance – Proposed low energy 3-bedroom self/custom build dwelling with garden studio.</p> <p>Resolved that the Parish Council objects to the application. The flat roof design and the cladding is not appropriate as it is not in keeping with the character of the surrounding area. Windows will be overlooking the neighbouring property and so would be unneighbourly on grounds of privacy. The application has no reference to the Ludgvan Neighbourhood Plan or the Neighbourhood Design Statement.</p>
	<p>c) PA25/05261 – WM Morrison Supermarkets Plc, Long Rock, Penzance – Full planning permission for the erection of a WeBuyAnyCar pod structure within the Morrisons store car park.</p> <p>Resolved – that the Parish Council has no objection provided that the pod continues as a temporary structure only.</p>
	<p>d) PA25/05262 – WM Morrison Supermarkets Plc, Long Rock, Penzance – Advertisement Consent for 1no ‘WeBuyAnyCar’ pod within car park</p> <p>Resolved – that the Parish Council has no objection provided it remains, like the pod, as a temporary advertisement.</p>

e)	<p>(This application was the first planning application considered at the meeting, in view of the number of interested members of the public attending.</p> <p>PA25/04955 – Penzance Heliport, Jelbert Way, Penzance Eastern Green – Proposed heliport comprising: a terminal building, hangar, emergency vehicle garage, helicopter landing pad and apron, operational equipment and apparatus, fuel storage facility, bunding and pipework, 269 staff and customer long-stay parking spaces, 5 drop off spaces, access from Jelbert Way, internal access roads and footways, hardstanding and servicing, emergency escape route, landscaping, surface water drainage, utility connections and pipe-laying, acoustic mitigation, associated works and infrastructure without compliance with conditions 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 38 of decision notice PA16/09346 dated 03.08.2018.</p> <p>Following consideration, it was</p> <p>Resolved – that the Parish Council objects to the application on the following grounds:</p> <p>The planning conditions in place are the only protection against overwhelming noise pollution for residents around Mounts Bay. They were put in place in view of the controversial nature of the original planning application.</p> <p>If this application is approved there will be no mechanism in law to control any increase in nuisance that results from it.</p> <p>Airports are exempt from noise nuisance legislation. The Penzance Heliport is 1 mile from the centre of Penzance and there are more than 500 houses within half a mile of it.</p> <p>There was extensive objection to the original planning application in 2018. Objectors included numerous members of the public, Friends of the Earth and the RSPB.</p> <p>Cornwall Council and Penzance Town Council each declared a climate emergency in 2019.</p> <p>Penzance Town Council is an active member of the Cornwall climate action plan, has adopted a future generations pledge, has a healthy streets policy and actively and financially supports Sustainable Penzance.</p> <p>None of the proposals in this planning application are compatible with the increase in environmental and noise pollution which would inevitably arise should the current restrictions be lifted.</p> <p>This is a very significant application and the Parish Council calls on Cornwall Council to require wide public consultation by the applicant before a decision is made on this application, in view of the large number of people who would be affected by it.</p> <p>Ludgvan Parish Council calls on Cornwall Council to decide this application at Planning Committee level and not under delegated powers to officers.</p> <p>Also agreed that the Clerk is instructed to contact Cornwall Council to request a list of the breach complaints relating to Penzance Heliport received during the past 12 months.</p>
f)	<p>PA25/05452 – Church Of St Paul, Church Hill, Ludgvan – Works to Trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) – Elm – Fell to ground level 5 x dead elms on to of Cornish hedge alongside entrance to churchyard.</p> <p>Resolved – that the Parish Council supports the application.</p>
g)	<p>PA25/05399 – Ty Calluna, 72 Heather Lane, Canonstown, Hayle – Extension of existing balcony at 72 Heather Lane, Canonstown, Hayle</p> <p>Resolved – that the Parish Council supports the application.</p>

	h)	PA25/03989 – Lower Trenowin Barn, Ludgvan, Penzance – Formation of two storey rear extension in stone and zinc. Resolved – that the Parish Council objects to the application. Request that the suggested materials are replaced with materials in keeping with the Ludgvan Neighbourhood Plan and Ludgvan Design Statement, with granite or render as an acceptable material in the local area, and no zinc or wood cladding.																																							
	i)	PA25/05105 – Ash Farm, Castle Road, Ludgvan, Penzance – Extension to existing agricultural building. Resolved – that the Parish Council supports the application.																																							
LPC25.26.121	5 day planning protocol – responses to 5 day planning protocol consultations sent to Cornwall Council in the last month It was noted that there had been a 5 day planning protocol consultation for PA25/03811 and that the response from the Parish Council had been to agree to disagree, in view of the further update provided by the Planning Officer.																																								
LPC25.26.122	Nationally agreed pay award for Local Council staff Report for information - <i>to note the nationally agreed changes to SCP pay scales</i> Noted.																																								
LPC25.26.123	Schedule of Payments Resolved - To approve the payments to be made, as set out in the schedule <table border="1" data-bbox="284 994 1461 2022"> <thead> <tr> <th>Payee</th> <th>Purpose</th> <th>Amount payable (inc VAT)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="3"><i>To be paid by online bank payments</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Webmate</td> <td>Annual domain renewal for ludgvan.org inv 601436</td> <td>£15.59</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cornwall ALC Ltd</td> <td>Code of Conduct training 24.6.25 CR inv.345</td> <td>£30.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BDO LLP</td> <td>External Audit fee inv 00716054</td> <td>£378.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Webmate</td> <td>Ludgvan.org Webmate pro (82.50 + VAT) and Webmate mail (70.00 + VAT)</td> <td>£183.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ludgvan Parish Church</td> <td>Murley Hall hire – meetings: 9 (inquorate), 16 (council) 23 July (ipad workshop) and 31 July (ipad workshop, SM LM).</td> <td>£56.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Burroughs and Kearey</td> <td>Refund of payment made to the parish council in error.</td> <td>£217.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Staff costs, including salary, pension, NI, PAYE</td> <td>£3,829.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Louise Clifton</td> <td>Clerk's expenses July 2025 (Note 2)</td> <td>£74.33</td> </tr> <tr> <td>National Allotment Society</td> <td>Annual membership</td> <td>£84.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3"><i>Direct Debits</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Source for Business</td> <td>Water – New St Pauls Cemetery 22/4 – 28/7/25 (payment on 15 August)</td> <td>£28.83</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Payee	Purpose	Amount payable (inc VAT)	<i>To be paid by online bank payments</i>			Webmate	Annual domain renewal for ludgvan.org inv 601436	£15.59	Cornwall ALC Ltd	Code of Conduct training 24.6.25 CR inv.345	£30.00	BDO LLP	External Audit fee inv 00716054	£378.00	Webmate	Ludgvan.org Webmate pro (82.50 + VAT) and Webmate mail (70.00 + VAT)	£183.00	Ludgvan Parish Church	Murley Hall hire – meetings: 9 (inquorate), 16 (council) 23 July (ipad workshop) and 31 July (ipad workshop, SM LM).	£56.00	Burroughs and Kearey	Refund of payment made to the parish council in error.	£217.00	Staff costs, including salary, pension, NI, PAYE		£3,829.40	Louise Clifton	Clerk's expenses July 2025 (Note 2)	£74.33	National Allotment Society	Annual membership	£84.00	<i>Direct Debits</i>			Source for Business	Water – New St Pauls Cemetery 22/4 – 28/7/25 (payment on 15 August)	£28.83
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LPC25.26.124	Agenda items for a future meeting																																								

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>i.</i> Any items deferred from this meeting <i>ii.</i> Any items raised by Councillors <i>iii.</i> Proposed new branch of the Old Cornwall Society (Cllr S Miucci) – September agenda <i>iv.</i> Invitation to CAB Cornwall to attend and speak to the council (Cllr C Rodda) – future meeting <i>v.</i> Invitation to Head of Land and Property, St Aubyn Estates (October meeting) 	
LPC25.26.125	<p>Exclusion of the press and public</p> <p>Resolved - that in accordance with s.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following business owing to the confidential nature of that business.</p> <p>Cllr Rodda left the meeting at</p>	
LPC25.26.126	<p>To consider update on the Heads of Terms for the lease of the allotment field at Church Hill</p> <p>It was noted that there was no update to consider at this meeting and so this item was deferred to the next monthly meeting of the council.</p> <p>Meanwhile, the Clerk was instructed to ask whether Kresen Kernow holds any records relevant to the original and ongoing arrangements for the use of the allotment land.</p>	
LPC25.26.127	<p>Appointment of Solicitor for conveyancing and leases <i>To consider options for the appointment a solicitor for conveyancing and leases.</i></p> <p>Deferred to the next monthly meeting of the council, pending quotes from local solicitors.</p>	
	Meeting closed: 8.15pm	Signed by Chair: