Landewednack Parish Council Addresses Protection of Common Land and Safety Issues

In 2017 Councillors and interested members of the public attended a meeting with the Cornwall Council Highways Officer and were told of the inadvisability of having vehicles reversing from the area known as the "Small Green" onto the main A3083. In May 2019 Cornwall Council Highways department were consulted again. The Covid 19 pandemic delayed action in response to this advice.

The experience of 2021 with very high visitor numbers and increased pedestrian foot fall and with large numbers of vehicles congesting this part of the road served to highlight the potential risks.

A Declaration of Exempt Works was submitted to the Planning Inspectorate to:

- A) Prevent damage to the land at the edge of the grass abutting the A3083 caused by the parking of lorries, buses, and other vehicles,
- B) To improve road safety for pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists, horse riders and all other users of this stretch of the A3083.

The "Small Green" has now been turfed and local stone rocks have been installed on one short edge of the "Small Green" adjacent to the A3083.

Landewednack Parish Council (LPC) is looking to

- a) Enhance the experience of the village environment for villagers and visitors.
- b) Reduce the ongoing maintenance costs of The Green
- c) Improve safety on the main A3083 area for all, as required by the recent changes to the Highways Code.

The Parish Council has received support from many Parishioners who have in the past expressed concern about the appearance and safety of the area. The action taken means that a small number of parking spaces are no longer available, alongside a short piece of the main road. This is amply compensated for by improvements to the "Large Green" - the Common Land adjacent to the "Small Green" which has historically been used for parking and is easily accessible to all the shops, cafes, restaurants and public houses and toilet facilities in The Lizard Village.

Landewednack Parish Council supports and respects the businesses in the village and the employment opportunities given to the area. The detrimental effect by a minority, with inaccurate statements and dubious press reporting is portraying The Lizard village in a negative way when The Lizard village is a great, supportive, thriving community and open for business all year around.

Landewednack Parish Council is currently engaged in various projects including:

- Plans to have more social housing for rent built in the village.
- Supporting and increasing the facilities for the young people in the village via the Lizard Youth and Community Project.
- Supporting the Local Community Group
- Supporting the Lizard Amateur Dramatics Society

And permission has been secured for Landewednack Parish Council to host a Platinum Jubilee Beacon on June 2nd 2022.

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