

# GRADE RUAN PARISH COUNCIL

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## Council Meeting – Wednesday 12 January 2022

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held at the Sunday School Room, Methodist Chapel, Ruan Minor on the above date, 19:00.

		Action
165/21	<p><b>Persons Present/Apologies</b> Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Green (Vice Chair), Agutter, P Collins, S Collins, Fleetwood, Keeley, Lee, Scolding, Stephens, Trewin.</p> <p>In attendance: P Lavelle (Locum Clerk). Cllr Soady CC. 2 members of the public.</p>	
166/21	<p><b>To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations.</b> Cllrs P Collins and S Collins declared an interest in Agenda item 9 – Councillor Vacancy as they were related to one of the candidates.</p>	
167/21	<p><b>Public Participation.</b> None.</p>	
168/21	<p><b>Reports from outside bodies.</b> Cllr Soady CC reported that due to the Christmas break there was no news from Cornwall Council but confirmed that he would be receiving a briefing on the current reorganisation on 28<sup>th</sup> January and would be able to provide an update. Cllr Soady invited Members to approach him with issues and he would investigate. Cllr Fleetwood queried the situation with the collection of Christmas Trees. Cllr Trewin queried the level of budget savings required by Cornwall Council and whether there would be future staff cuts.</p> <p>The Chair advised that the Locum Clerk, who was Town Clerk to Helston Town Council, was willing to answer members questions on Helston issues. Cllr Trewin expressed the view the Helston served the Lizard Peninsula and the Town Council should have more contact with the Parish Councils. The Locum Clerk confirmed that this would be conveyed to Helston Town Council and in response to a further question confirmed that no further news had been received regarding the Hospital Cross development.</p>	
169/21	<p><b>Council Meeting: Minutes 9 December 2021</b> Cllrs P Collins and Stephens had submitted apologies. Cllr Keeley's report on the Community Network Panel referring to police contact details for the Gazette and the Food Bank had been omitted. <b>RESOLVED</b> that the above <a href="#">Minutes</a> of the Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read subject to the above amendments, approved and signed. <b>NOTED</b> the following matters arising: It had been confirmed that the Parish Council did not have the power to request a S106 agreement for a planning development.</p>	
170/21	<p><b>Grant Application: RBL Poppy Appeal</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> to award a grant to the Poppy Appeal for 2021 of £100.00. Cllrs Agutter/Lee. Unanimous.</p>	Clerk to respond
171/21	<p><b>House Fire</b> <b>CONSIDERED</b> how the Council can support a local family per the above event and <b>RESOLVED</b> to provide the family with a grant of £250 for this exceptional</p>	Clerk to action

	<p>circumstance and send a letter of support from the Council. Cllrs Green/Lee. 9 in favour, 2 abstained Cllrs P Collins, Trewin.</p> <p>The Chair advised that the family were seeking support for the planning stage of their rebuild. Cllr Keeley suggested that the Council make the community aware of free fire safety checks carried out by the Fire Service.</p>																									
172/21	<p><b>Finance report and Payments</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> to adopt the most recent Finance Report and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>L Carter</td> <td>Cleaning</td> <td>20.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Octopus Energy</td> <td>Public Lighting</td> <td>14.48</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NALC</td> <td>Training – Cllr Scolding</td> <td>51.71</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R Sanders</td> <td>Play area grass cutting</td> <td>54.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>RBL Poppy Appeal</td> <td>Grant</td> <td>100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>L Dunkley</td> <td>Reimburse outlay for IT</td> <td>1174.98</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lisa Mitchell</td> <td>Contribution – House Fire</td> <td>250.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Staffing</td> <td></td> <td>761.69</td> </tr> </table> <p>Cllrs S Collins/Trewin. Unanimous.</p>	L Carter	Cleaning	20.00	Octopus Energy	Public Lighting	14.48	NALC	Training – Cllr Scolding	51.71	R Sanders	Play area grass cutting	54.00	RBL Poppy Appeal	Grant	100.00	L Dunkley	Reimburse outlay for IT	1174.98	Lisa Mitchell	Contribution – House Fire	250.00	Staffing		761.69	Clerk to action
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173/21	<p><b>Councillor vacancy</b>  <b>RECEIVED</b> candidate statements (<a href="#">1</a>, <a href="#">2</a>, <a href="#">3</a>) and presentations, and following a secret ballot <b>APPOINTED</b> Ian Cox to fill the vacancy. Votes cast were:  Lucy Carter 2  Alice Harry 2  Ian Cox 5</p>	Clerk to contact																								
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174/21	<p><b>Public bin (re)locations</b>  <b>CONSIDERED</b> a request for, and information regarding, bin relocation (<a href="#">1</a>, <a href="#">2</a>) and <b>RESOLVED</b> to make a request to Cornwall Council to relocate the old bus shelter bin. Cllrs Stephens/p Collins. Unanimous.</p>	Clerk to action																								
175/21	<p><b>Update: Cornwall Council Survey Working group</b>  The Chair deferred this item to the Planning meeting taking place the following week.</p>																									
176/21	<p><b>Update: Council laptop damage and replacement</b>  <b>RECEIVED</b> as above: the new laptop and case has arrived. The original quote was £1,534.97; the Clerk obtained a deal and got the equipment for £1,114.99. The insurance company paid £444.98 towards it, meaning the total cost to the Council was £670.01.</p>																									
177/21	<p><b>Update: Cycle hoops project</b>  <b>RECEIVED</b> an update as above. Land owners have been informed that the hoops are planned to be installed week commencing 7th Feb (COVID and weather permitting).</p>	Clerk to monitor																								
178/21	<p><b>Update: Play Area repairs</b>  <b>RECEIVED</b> feedback as above, <b>CONSIDERED</b> new COVID <a href="#">measures</a> from the contractor and <b>RESOLVED</b> that a package 2 decontamination and clean of the play equipment be carried out by the contractor for one application only. Cllrs S Collins/Fleetwood. Unanimous.</p>	Clerk to action																								
179/21	<p><b>Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report</b>  a) <b>RECEIVED</b> an update from Cllr Fleetwood on the wayleave agreement (<a href="#">1</a>, <a href="#">2</a>) with Western Power Distribution relating to Ruan Minor Recreation Ground. A site meeting is due later in January.  b) <b>CONSIDERED</b> financial provision for upcoming projects in 2022. The Chair suggested that the budget could be used to improve public access to the footpath network. Concern was expressed with bronze footpaths which were non-existent and it was suggested that some lost paths be reinstated. The following paths were suggested:</p>																									

	<p>Treal to Polstangy Bridge Ruan Major to Hendra at Eglos Farm Duck Alley</p> <p>c) <b>RECEIVED</b> other reports: The Hedges/ verges has still not been cut despite meeting with Cornwall Council. Update required for St Ruan Bridge. Issues with Poltesco Bridge. Suggested that issues reported formally via Cornwall Council's online 'Report It' system. It was noted that the drainage system on Cadgwith Hill was under severe pressure with flooding on the road during heavy rain.</p> <p>Tree Wardens Report – Clearance of area surrounding recently planted trees would be carried out shortly</p>	
180/21	<p><b>Reports from Parish Council representatives to outside bodies</b> <b>NOTED:</b> Grade Ruan Community Trust – The requirement for parking charges at Kennack Sands due to the enforcement camera was impacting on maintenance of the public toilets as the cleaner, the company emptying the cesspit, contractors and anyone inspecting works were required to pay for parking. It was suggested that the Clerk write to the Tregothnan Estate to request a parking exemption for Grade Ruan Community Trust who need access for cleaning, maintenance and management activities. The Grade Ruan Community Trust were also considering an upgrade of the facilities at the Ruan Minor Toilet block.</p> <p>Cllr Agutter to reinstate position on Village Hall Committee and in respect of Church Yard Maintenance. Cllr Scolding volunteered to represent the Council on the Grade Ruan Under 5's Committee.</p> <p>The Chair suggested a liaison meeting similar to that arranged with RNAS Culdrose be held with representatives of Goonhilly Satellite Earth Station.</p> <p>Cllr Trewin expressed concern with the hedge growth in the Church Yard and volunteered</p>	Clerk to Action
181/21	<p><b>Notification of meeting January/items for agenda</b> <b>NOTED</b> items for the next Council meeting: Planning matters (19<sup>th</sup> January) – Update from Cornwall Council Survey Working Group, Neighbourhood Development Plan. (9<sup>th</sup> February) – Cllr Trewin requested an item regarding The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.</p>	
182/21	<p><b>Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.</b> None.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>The meeting closed at 8.26pm.</i></p>	

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