

GRADE RUAN PARISH COUNCIL

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Terms of reference for communication with Outside bodies, Stakeholders, Agencies, Partners etc.

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Grade Ruan Parish Council have historically taken a proactive, practical, approach to communicate and work with Outside, or 'external' Bodies. The aim is to raise awareness and recognition of social, economic and environmental issues using local experience and representation, and specific case examples, and to work towards improvements for people and place. Wherever possible direct communication channels with small meetings held locally are organised using the Council resources, and by having a 'seat at the table' so to speak this gives the Council a forum to fully represent the local community in a way which could be replicated positively in other places particularly in Cornwall's Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). This document outlines the current areas where specific communication channels will be sustained by the Council, with the same format being applied in further areas as and when necessary.

Cornwall AONB Unit

Continue to work and communicate with Cornwall AONB to help better understand the protected landscape and its potential and give feedback from local experience which can better inform this national designation. Take up the offer made by the Unit to help facilitate and be part of meetings with other stakeholders, agencies, and outside bodies as below.

Highways matters

Continue to communicate about verge and hedge maintenance and discuss taking local control on quieter lanes where resources are offered; continue to give input to management of the C0090 road across Goonhilly Downs (National Nature Reserve).

Partners: Cornwall Council/Cormac/Natural England/Cornwall AONB/Falmouth University

Infrastructure matters

Continue to communicate about flooding issues and waste management, particularly in Cadgwith and the catchment area, with further site meetings.

Partners: Highways/Cormac; Environment Agency; South West Water; Local landowners

Footpaths/Rights of Way

Continue to engage with partners about improvements and projects, as at Martha's Acre and Common land access.

Partners: Cormac; CC Environment Service; National Trust; other local landowners

Breaches of Planning policy and uncontrolled development

Continue to work with Partners to understand the rules and press to be more effective and helpful, outlining specific examples where appropriate. A Council Working Party was approved in 2018 to monitor this sector due to extensive unregulated development in the form of cabins and caravans, sheds and mobile homes, and abandoned machinery. There are locations in Grade-Ruan Parish where this has escalated and spread to an extent where whole fields have filled up, both along the coastal strip and in open countryside, setting precedent

for further escalation. Regulations are even ignored by Tourist operators, as at Sea Acres with the installation of Chalets where permission was for mobile homes. In 2019 a meeting was held in Ruan Minor with Alan Mason, who at the time was Enforcement and Appeals Group Leader at CC. Continuity to this has been disrupted by Covid.

Partners: CC Enforcement; Cornwall Councillor; Cornwall AONB; Sea Acres/local Caravan camps.

RNAS Culdrose

Continue with the format of friendly enquiry, and locally based meetings when conditions allow. This follows on from the 'Airspace change Consultation' of 2018, and previous lines of communication dating back to the Lizard Forum of the 1990s. The main issues identified and discussed being 1.) times, routes, heights, frequency and rules of overland flight patterns; 2.) recognition and awareness of specific, repetitive overland flight patterns between Kennack, Ruan Minor, Cadgwith/Grade - not connected to Predannack airfield; 3.) night flying; 4.) new daylight evening serials from 17:00hrs; 5.) updates on operations based at Predannack airfield; 6.) communication processes whereby the Parish Council can relay local enquiries direct to Culdrose, and on occasion have information to hand to inform. Covid 19 disrupted the cycle of physical meetings, the last being in October 2019, but throughout 2020 communication continued using the contacts established.

Partners: Relevant RNAS Personnel; Cornwall AONB