

GRADE RUAN PARISH COUNCIL

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Council Meeting – Monday 8 February 2021

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held online on the above date, 19:00.

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149/20	<p>Persons Present/Apologies Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Green (Vice Chair), Agutter, P Collins, S Collins, Fleetwood, Freeman, Harry, Lee, Stephens (late arrival), Trewin.</p> <p>Apologies: Cllr Clifton-Williams</p> <p>In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk). Cllr Rule CC. 0 members of the public.</p>							
150/20	<p>To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations. None.</p>							
151/20	<p>Public Participation. None.</p>							
152/20	<p>Reports from outside bodies NOTED from Cllr Rule CC: Deadline for Community Chest application for defibrillator cabinets is end of February. Cornwall Fire & Rescue has been praised by Government for their response to COVID (assisting by driving ambulances etc). Elections confirmed for 6th May though there is concern around how it can be undertaken safely; proxy voting abilities will be eased to aid turnout. CC cabinet are recommending an increase of 4.99% to their precept, representing £1.52 per week per D band household. CC have had to make £300m of savings over the last 10 years; further previously unforeseen savings are being made (due to COVID) by reducing business travel, cutting printing and postage. Fewer Cllrs post 2021 elections will also mean a lower cost in Cllr pay and expenses.</p>							
<p><i>*Cllr Stephens entered the meeting</i></p>								
153/20	<p>Council Meeting: Minutes 11 January 2021 RESOLVED that the above Minutes of the Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed subject to further context being added to 133/20. Cllrs Trewin/Agutter. Unanimous. No matters arising NOTED.</p>							
154/20	<p>Finance report and Payments RESOLVED to adopt the most recent Finance Report and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Mr L Carter</td> <td style="width: 30%;">Cleaning</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: right;">20.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Staffing</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">573.40</td> </tr> </table> <p>Cllrs Freeman/P Collins. Unanimous.</p>	Mr L Carter	Cleaning	20.00	Staffing		573.40	
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155/20	<p>Local Maintenance Partnership offer RECEIVED as above for footpaths and the coast path and RESOLVED to accept the grant. Cllrs Fleetwood/Freeman. Unanimous.</p>	Clerk to respond						
156/20	<p>Public Works Loan Board application update RECEIVED as follows: The application remains with MCHLG.</p>	Clerk to pursue						

157/20	<p>Common land status consultation update RECEIVED as above from the working group prior to submission of a response. The Council wholeheartedly supported the content of the proposed submission; photographs and explanations will be added.</p>	Cllr Freeman to pursue; Clerk to submit
158/20	<p>Fishing gear on the Todden RECEIVED a request to issue a letter requesting removal of unused items as above. Council agreed that there is an issue – a lot of unused gear stored there. Council agreed to write to the Winch Committee about removal of disused and abandoned fishing gear.</p>	Clerk to action
159/20	<p>Cadgwith car park access update RECEIVED information as above. Cornwall Council have been given the contact details of the landowner in question following a discussion with the Clerk. Cornwall Council are aware that the Parish Council are seeking a simple, mutually beneficial solution.</p>	Clerk to pursue and copy in Cllr Rule CC and P Collins
160/20	<p>Defibrillator trackers update RECEIVED information as above. The Council will should apply for funding 2 trackers and the first year of ongoing cost from Cllr Rule's Community Fund Pot.</p>	Clerk to pursue
161/20	<p>Former bus shelter project update RECEIVED information as above and a quotation for the production of a Parish interpretation board. The Council approved of the project and favoured the high quality options.</p>	Cllr Preston to bring specific details to next meeting
162/20	<p>Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report</p> <p>a) CONSIDERED a request to remove a sign and tall pole at the top of Little Beach steps and replace with sign with a short pole sited down the steps to remove an eyesore on the landscape.</p> <p>b) RECEIVED an update on the stile at Grade Church Field – a handrail has been installed by the landowner and was welcomed by the Council.</p> <p>c) CONSIDERED projects for stepping stones and scrub clearance and a quote for works. RESOLVED to accept the quote for £288 for clearance at FP24 and at 'The Bank' Cadgwith coast path (Common land 539). Fleetwood/Stephens. 8 in favour, 1 against: Cllr S Collins, 1 abstained: Cllr P Collins.</p> <p>d) CONSIDERED other reports: FP4 Gwavas Vean: stile is not easily accessible – too high; Footpath committee to investigate. Query over unregistered land on FP23 (Ruan Chapel to St Ruan) being "gardened" and Council are concerned that it is being 'claimed' and 'urbanised'. Reported Highway surface issues as a result of recent wet weather and long term drainage and other issues that have been highlighted by recent events.</p>	Cllr Preston to clarify Little Beach signage request. Footpath Committee to investigate
163/20	<p>Reports from Parish Council representatives to outside bodies NOTED a written report from Cllr Freeman regarding the Community Network meeting.</p> <p>The Chairman and Clerk attended a meeting with four members of Cornwall AONB team to discuss the early stages of their next 5 Year Management Plan. Among issues highlighted were: Uncontrolled development in the landscape (ie: Planning/Enforcement); links with Exeter & Falmouth Universities; awareness of the AONB; and realistic implementation of the Plan. Communication between local reps and stakeholders like Culdrose and CC Enforcement/Planning can be attended by AONB to give the national perspective on the protected landscape.</p> <p>The Council will feature on the BBC programme <i>Cornwall: This Fishing Life</i> airing on 15th February.</p>	
164/20	<p>Notification of meeting/items for agenda: 8 March 2021 NOTED items for the next Council meeting: Churchyard grant; former bus shelter project resolution; Gwavas Vean high stile.</p>	
165/20	<p>Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. None. The meeting closed at 21:00.</p>	

Signed