

GRADE RUAN PARISH COUNCIL

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Council Meeting – 8 January 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held at the Sunday School Room, Methodist Chapel on the above date, 19:30.

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185/17	<p>Persons Present/Apologies Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Green (Vice Chair), Bosustow, Clifton, P Collins, Freeman, Lee, Stephens, Trewin (late).</p> <p>Apologies: Cllr Fleetwood.</p> <p>Absent: Cllr S Collins.</p> <p>In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk), Cllr Rule CC. 1 member of the press/public.</p>	
186/17	To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations. None.	
187/17	<p>Public Participation. N Albone expressed interest in the Council's discussion on his planning application PA17/10114.</p>	
188/17	<p>Reports from outside bodies. Cllr Rule CC wish the Council a Happy New Year and reported that: Cornwall Council's budget meeting would take place in February. The decision to be made is whether to set an increase in the precept at 3.99% or 4.99% (a difference of approx. £17 pa per D-band) and asked for a view from Cllrs. A brief update was given on the Electoral review for Cornwall Council.</p> <p><i>*Cllr Trewin entered the room</i></p> <p>A new Homechoice website becomes live on 10th January with modified criteria for allocating social housing including prioritising those with household income below £30k pa, and a necessity for a minimum 3-year connection to Cornwall. There are still funds available via the Cornwall Cllr Community Chest fund for small grants.</p>	
189/17	<p>Council Meeting: Minutes 11 December 2017 RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the above date having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Freeman, seconded Cllr Lee. Unanimous.</p>	
190/17	Matters arising from the Minutes. None.	
191/17	<p>Finance Committee Meeting: Draft Minutes 21 December 2017 NOTED the above draft Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting.</p>	
192/17	<p>Planning Applications for consideration PA17/11567: Remodelling dwellinghouse including conversion of garage &</p>	

	<p>extension to 1st floor rear-facing dormer with Juliet Balcony. M Hurst. Linden Lea Ruan Minor TR12 7JL.</p> <p>No objection proposed and seconded. 8 voted in favour, 1 abstained: Cllr Clifton.</p> <p>PA17/10114: Use of land for the stationing of 6 holiday lodges, provision of access and car parking. Mr & Mrs Albone. Gwendreath Farm Holiday Park Ruan Minor TR12 7LZ.</p> <p>There was discussion around previous use for up to 60 tent pitch sites, and the proposal in this application was seen as preferable – though it was noted that tents had not been in place for at least 4 years. Some felt that the site was well-screened, while others thought more could be done. No objection provided that screening and landscaping suggestions as per comments from the Planning Officer per PA17/00909/PREAPP are met. Proposed and seconded. Unanimous.</p> <p>PA17/12013: Proposed Extension and Alterations. Mr And Mrs S Thornton. March Hare Kuggar Ruan Minor TR12 7LY.</p> <p>No objection proposed and seconded. Unanimous.</p>	<p>Clerk to respond</p> <p>Clerk to respond</p> <p>Clerk to respond</p>																		
193/17	Planning Applications decided since last meeting. None.																			
194/17	Pre-applications, consultations and appeals. None.																			
195/17	<p>Finance report and Payments RESOLVED to adopt the most recent Finance Report and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>EDF Energy</td> <td>Lighting</td> <td>13.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr L Carter</td> <td>Cleaning</td> <td>20.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ruan Minor FC</td> <td>Grass cutting</td> <td>30.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Peninsula Signs</td> <td>New signage at recreation ground</td> <td>264.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Staffing</td> <td></td> <td>506.03</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Randle Thomas</td> <td>Legal work to formulate license with Trust</td> <td>912.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>Proposed Cllr Lee, seconded Cllr Green. Unanimous.</p>	EDF Energy	Lighting	13.00	Mr L Carter	Cleaning	20.00	Ruan Minor FC	Grass cutting	30.00	Peninsula Signs	New signage at recreation ground	264.00	Staffing		506.03	Randle Thomas	Legal work to formulate license with Trust	912.00	Clerk to action
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196/17	<p>Financial Regulations 2017/18 RESOLVED to adopt modified Financial Regulations for 2017/18.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Freeman, seconded Cllr Green. Unanimous.</p>	Clerk to publish																		
197/17	<p>Budget reserves and precept 2018/19 RECEIVED a recommendation from the Finance Committee and RESOLVED to set the budget, reserves and precept demand for 2018/19. Total expenditure is set at £24,535, and the precept set at £17,420.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Freeman, seconded Cllr P Collins. Unanimous.</p> <p>Cllrs briefly considered the request for feedback on Cornwall Council's precept by Cllr Rule CC per minute 188/17. The majority felt minded to support a 4.99% precept rise but this was not unanimous and is not the formal view of the Council.</p>	<p>Clerk to action</p> <p>Clerk to respond to Cllr Rule CC</p>																		
198/17	<p>Consultation: New division boundaries for Cornwall RECEIVED an update from Cllrs Preston, Green, Freeman per minute 125/17 and RESOLVED to respond with suggested boundaries that add St Keverne Parish to the current Mullion & Grade Ruan division, and link parishes in the north of the peninsula with those on the north of the Helford Estuary, thus resulting with Helston as two entirely urban wards. Further</p>	Clerk to respond to CC																		

	<p>details, including a map showing the Council's proposal, are available from the Clerk.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Lee, seconded Cllr Bosustow. Unanimous.</p>	
199/17	<p>Consultation: Predannack Airspace changes RECEIVED notification as above. CONSIDERED questions on matters including the type of drones, numbers of aircraft, purpose of the drones, actual impact on the Parish.</p>	<p>Clerk & Cllr Preston to question RNAS Culdrose and bring back to Council.</p>
200/17	<p>Update: Formalising agreement with Grade Ruan Community Trust RECEIVED an update. A meeting took place on 21st December between the Clerk and members of the Trust. Aspects such as license length, grants policies and signatories were agreed. There remains an outstanding question on insurance which will be addressed in the coming weeks. Item to appear on February agenda.</p>	<p>Clerk to pursue; Clerk to request most recent finance figures from the Trust</p>
201/17	<p>Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report. a) RECEIVED an update on Cadgwith Highways issues – a meeting is being arranged with M Peters, local head of Highways. b) RESOLVED to approve expenditure by Tree Wardens on approx. £100 on bare-rooted trees for planting projects taking place by the end of March 2018.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Trewin, seconded Cllr P Collins. Unanimous.</p> <p>c) CONSIDERED other reports including an update on the Cadgwith Car Park footpath surface issue, which is being dealt with via Cormac.</p>	<p>Clerk to re-contact Mike Peters</p> <p>Cllr Preston to pursue</p>
202/17	<p>Reports from Council representatives to outside bodies. The Village Hall raised £748.78 for Children's Hospice South West over the Christmas period. A drain was reported as blocked at St Ruan bridge.</p>	
203/17	<p>Notification of meeting/items for agenda: 12 February Insurance issue regarding license with GRCT. Spending of grant on play equipment. Predannack Airspace consultation.</p>	
204/17	<p>Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. RESOLVED that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable that the press and public be excluded and instructed to withdraw during the discussion for the following items: Staffing.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Bosustow, seconded Cllr Freeman. Unanimous.</p>	
205/17	<p>Staff Pensions RECEIVED a written request to the Council by an employee to join the local government pension scheme and RESOLVED to agree that request – commencing April 2018.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Trewin, seconded Cllr Clifton. Unanimous.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 21:45.</p>	<p>Clerk to action</p>

Signed 12 February 2018