

**Minutes of the Meeting of Ruan Lanhorne Parish Council held in The Reading Room
on Friday 5th October 2018 at 7.00pm**

Present Councillors: G Adams, D Dingle, P Farr, D Giles (Chairman), C Martin & G Pring

In Attendance: Tomas Hill (Clerk)

139/18 APOLOGIES

None – all present.

**140/18 DISPENSATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS (DPI),
DECLARATION OF OTHER SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS (OSI) & DECLARATION OF
ANY GIFTS OVER £25**

None.

141/18 OPEN FORUM – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

142/18 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR

Cllr German submitted his apologies.

143/18 MINUTES OF THE LAST ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF 5th September 2018

The Clerk thanked Cllr Pring for taking the minutes in his absence due to his wife being in labour.

Cllr Martin proposed, seconded by Cllr Farr and the Council **resolved** that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the previous meeting.

144/18 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

145/18 PLANNING – to consider the following planning application:

The Council considered the following application:

PA18/07850 - Fair View Ruan Lanhorne Truro TR2 5NU - Application form removal of condition 3 in respect of decision notice C1/C6731160SA1H - Erection of bungalow & garage

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Farr and the Council **resolved** to support the removal of the condition.

146/18 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk summarised an email from Sergeant Marc Sayers following on from last month's Police Liaison Group regarding the camera partnership vans (speed detection) and their attendance in villages in Cornwall. He stated that there was a balance between enforcement on the Highways England network (A30 and some other A roads), and those of the Highways Authority – other classifications of road including those in Parishes or villages.

There will always be attention towards the strategic roads network (Highways England) as these see the greater proportion of fatal / serious injury collisions. They carry the highest speeds and this continues despite the vans attendance.

The current agreed protocol for the Safety Camera Partnership is that they can only enforce where there are camera warning signs. The only time they can depart from this agreement is when they are on a pre-planned Police operation. They also prioritise attendance based on an evidenced speeding problem, collision history or in response to community concerns. This is because there are only 2 Speed Detection Officers covering the whole of Cornwall and they can't be everywhere. The issue has to be evidenced based (serious accidents for example) and even this is undertaken alongside reviews of the speeds carried out.

Speeding concerns must be reported to CORMAC who can place a radar class unit to monitor speeds - there is a lead in time of at least 5 weeks and then perhaps over 2 months to get the results back. These can then be looked at alongside other data to see if speed enforcement is an option.

PC James Hosking emailed stating that unfortunately the Speed watch Co-ordinator is on long term sickness, and there is no capacity to create new sites at this time. The Council will need CORMAC on board with some speed monitoring equipment for your chosen sites, to ascertain if there is an actual speed issue, rather than perceived, which can be done whilst waiting for the Co-ordinator to return.

Cornwall Council emailed regarding the first introductory session as a Tree Warden with one taking place on the 26th November in the Probus area. The Clerk would email Sue Pring with the details.

The Council also received a letter and poster regarding 'scam mail' to be placed on a notice board.

147/18 HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

The Old Cornwall Society had emailed Geoff Pring regarding the 2026 deadline for recording historic public rights of way. This has previously been discussed by the Council with Councillors at the time unable to identify any unrecorded routes.

Per 131/18, the Clerk had written to Penny Hodgson from CORMAC regarding the footpath at Cregoe which has a fallen oak tree across it but has received no response to date.

The Clerk wrote to Viv Bidgood regarding the King Harry Ferry signage on road signage per 132/18. He has requested details of where they are located. Cllr Farr reported that it is on a fingerpost on the edge of the car park at Ruan High Lanes.

Cllr Pring stated that the post for fingerpost donated to Philleigh has been placed back into original position.

Following on from 131/18, the Clerk sought to request paint from CORMAC for the fingerpost signs with a view to finding a suitable volunteer or contractor to undertake the work.

Cllr Pring proposed and Cllr Giles seconded and the council **resolved** that the Clerk write to CORMAC to request the paint.

148/18 RUAN POND

The Clerk was contacted by a parishioner concerning Parrot's Feather, together with another 'High-risk' invasive non-native plant, Blue Pickerel, seen growing in the pond at Ruan Lanhorne.

Having considered the matter in detail, the Council considered that parishioners acting as volunteers were undertaking great work at the pond and that they were keeping a watching brief. A possibility of placing a straw bale as a filter was discussed which Councillors Dingle and Giles would explore further.

149/18 QUARTERLY ASSET CHECKS

Cllr Giles reported that the upright stones are being removed from the low-lying wall by the quay. Cllr Giles would investigate further.

A parishioner reported via Cllr Giles that stones were falling into the mud from the quay wall.

Cllr Martin proposed and Cllr Pring seconded and the council **resolved** that the Clerk write to CORMAC to request a survey of the quay.

Cllr Farr has spoken to Steve Paull regarding the remaining works to the bus shelter which are in hand. The telephone box needs repainting and the plants need cutting back from the telephone box. It was felt appropriate to leave the repainting of the telephone box until next spring.

The wild flower planting grant was discussed.

Cllr Giles proposed and Cllr Farr seconded and the council **resolved** that the Clerk write regarding an update following the issuing of the grant.

The top restraining strap of the BT telephone box in Ruan Lanhorne needs repair whilst it also needs a new bulb. This is not a parish asset but the Clerk would write to BT to report.

150/18 EMERGENCY PLAN

Cllr Pring and Cllr Martin have discussed an emergency plan. There is an available grant of £100.00 to start the process.

Cllr Pring proposed and Cllr Martin seconded and the council **resolved** that the Council develop an emergency plan and the Clerk request the start-up grant funding.

151/18 READING ROOM

The Clerk presented a draft grant application. Councillors would meet informally to discuss in preparation of submission.

A key holder review was undertaken and updated.

David Hamblett had written to the Clerk stating that with the evenings drawing in, the lighting in the Reading Room was considered to be "totally inadequate for competitive Table Tennis". Apart from the regular Monday Club nights, Ruan Lanhorne will be playing six matches in the Roseland League at home. He stated that the lighting was just not bright enough which may lead to complaints. Leaving aside the possible future renovation works, a request was made to at least change the strip lights.

Cllr Giles proposed and Cllr Farr seconded and the Council **resolved** that the Clerk write to David Hamblett stating that the Council are now moving forward once more with the grant application and will bring the lighting to the forefront of the scheme in consultation with the preferred contractor.

Cllr Giles proposed and Cllr Farr seconded and the Council **resolved** that Cllr Pring email Steve Cawrse for an updated quote and obtain an electrician's quote to include revised lighting.

152/18 READING ROOM

The charitable status of the Reading Room was discussed with a view to closing the charity. The Clerk advised that CALC may provide free initial legal advice.

Cllr Farr proposed and Cllr Pring seconded and the Council **resolved** that the Clerk request some initial advice from CALC.

153/18 CRANTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

Crantock Parish Council wrote to the Council requesting financial support for a judicial review against Cornwall Council's decision to grant planning contrary to their Neighbourhood Plan.

The Council agreed that they support their application in principal but were unable to support them financially due to the Reading Room.

No resolution was forthcoming.

154/18 FINANCE

Chris Prestwood contacted the Clerk stating the numbers attending the Table Tennis Club had been low and consequently cancelled 3 sessions.

Cllr Farr proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to allow the Table Tennis Club 3 weeks unused sessions to be carried forward and that the Council must be given a week's notice in future not to be charged for an unused session.

Cllr Farr proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to sign cheques per the October budget monitoring report inset box entitled 'cheques for signing' to the total sum of £272.00.

155/18 BUDGET AND PRECEPT

The Clerk presented a draft budget and precept and was reviewed in detail.

Following minor revisions, the budget and precept will be formally set at the November meeting.

156/18 REPORTS FROM MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

None

157/18 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Reading Room Guttering

December meeting

The meeting closed at 21:27 pm.

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 7th November 2018 at Reading Room at 7.00pm

Signed as a true record of the meeting.

Chairman