

**Minutes of the Meeting of Ruan Lanihorne Parish Council held at Ruan Reading
Room on Tuesday 2nd November 2021 at 7.30pm**

Present Councillors: A Dundon, P Farr, R Larter, C Martin, G Pring (Chairman) & T Robinson

In Attendance: Tomas Hill (Clerk) & 2 members of public

120/21 APOLOGIES – to receive, note and accept apologies

Cllr Adams submitted his apologies due to a conflicting meeting.

Cllr Farr proposed, seconded by Cllr Pring and the Council **resolved** to note his apologies.

121/21 DISPENSATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS (DPI) AND DECLARATION OF OTHER SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS (OSI) – to receive and note (if any)

None.

122/21 OPEN FORUM – for members of the Parish to make representations to the Council

A member of public invited Councillors to ask any questions on their planning application should they so wish.

A member of public spoke regarding the cutting of some blackthorn on the waterside hedge (on Council land) near Sett Bridge which has caused some local tensions. It was done by a contractor as part of a good will gesture. They believed that the blackthorn should be removed altogether.

The member of public also spoke concerning the Catherine Celeste Hyde Trust and stated that the Councillors could be trustees if they so wish.

123/21 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR - to receive Cornwall Councillor report (if present)

Not present.

124/21 MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING (Tuesday 7th September 2021) – to confirm accuracy and approve

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

125/21 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not on the agenda & for report only)

Per 112/21, the vegetation around the telephone box has now been cleared and the telephone box has now been painted.

Per 92/21, Cllr Pring and Cllr Adams will meet with Trelonk.

Per 112/21, former Councillors have no recollection of what the Hydrok relates to.

Per 113/21, a Forest for Cornwall Project Officer will be contacting the Clerk in the next couple of weeks.

Per 74/21, the signatories form for Unity Trust had been sent in the post but had not been received. The form needs to be completed again and ideally scanned and sent via email.

126/21 CORRESPONDENCE (not on the agenda & for report only)

The Clerk circulated select correspondence to Councillors between meetings including an invitation from The Friends of Pendower Beach to their next AGM.

127/21 PLANNING – to consider the following planning application:
PA21/06712 - Extension to the South East elevation - Treworga Roundhouse Ruan High Lanes TR2 5NP

Councillors discussed the planning application.

Cllr Larter proposed, seconded by Cllr Pring and the Council **resolved** support but defer to the Conservation Officer.

128/21 PLANNING – to consider the following planning application:
PA21/08592 Single and two storey extensions including associated alterations and change of use of land to residential curtilage with variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of decision PA17/09441 - Little Treviles Ruan High Lanes TR2 5NR

Councillors discussed the planning application.

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Dundon and the Council **resolved** to support.

129/21 PLANNING – to consider the following planning application:
PA21/10588 Replacement of existing conservatory with new larger conservatory - Cregoe Court Access To Cregoe Tregony TR2 5TG

Councillors discussed the planning application.

Cllr Larter proposed, seconded by Cllr Pring and the Council **resolved** to support.

130/21 PLANNING – to note the following pre application:
PA21/02846/PREAPP Pre application advice for a purpose built fitness and well being studio - Land West Of Trethewey House Tregony TR2 5TH

Councillors noted the pre-application.

131/21 HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY – to report issues and note updates

A member of public had reported a pothole and associated flooding by the Lime Kiln to Cornwall Council.

Cllr Pring has received the annotated map made by a previous Chairman showing the stiles and other limitations on the public rights of way network within the parish that the Council believe gets cut out by the contractor under the Local Maintenance Partnership.

CORMAC stated that there was no issue with the unclassified road U6096 from Trelonk to Trenestral, however, the Clerk believed that CORMAC were mistaken. Cllr Martin walked the route and confirmed that the unclassified road was indeed very overgrown. Cllr Pring volunteered to take some photographs and the Clerk would respond.

The matter of the flashing speed monitoring sign was noted to still not be working and that the Clerk would ask what progress was being made to extend the 40mph limit beyond Poppy Cottage.

Cllr Larter proposed, seconded by Cllr Pring and the Council **resolved** that the Clerk report the issue again and write to Viv Bidgood asking progress for the speed limit reduction and to sort out the intermittent sign.

132/21 TREE PLANTING – to discuss tree planting opportunities

Cllr Pring volunteered to meet the 'Forest For Cornwall' Project Officer.

Concerning planting trees for the Queens Platinum Jubilee, Councillors found it difficult to identify suitable locations but would consider the matter further.

133/21 WEBSITE – to consider website proposals

Cllr Robinson presented a detailed report concerning the website. An extract reads as follows:

“As was expected, the current template used for the website is out of date and not meeting current accessibility guidelines however the site is meeting the Transparency Code in regards to content published publicly”.

Cllr Robinson volunteered to create a new website with the Clerk uploading content.

The Clerk and Councillors thanked her for her work.

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Larter and the Council **resolved** to accept Cllr Robinson's proposal with a budget of up to £250.00.

134/21 PLAQUES – to consider replacement plaques for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee 2012

Between meetings, Cllr Farr established that the wording on the plaques was as follows:

ERII
DIAMOND JUBILEE
2012

The Clerk presented three quotations.

Cllr Larter proposed, seconded by Cllr Dundon and the Council **resolved** that subject to acceptable design work, the Clerk would place an order up to £225.00 for replacement plaques.

135/21 FINANCE – to include finance report and cheques for signing

The Clerk presented the monthly budget monitoring report dated to the 2nd November 2021.

Cllr Farr proposed, seconded by Cllr Martin and the Council **resolved** to sign cheques per the November budget monitoring report inset box entitled 'payments for authorisation' to the total sum of £1605.27.

Cllr Larter, between meetings, unilaterally undertook an internal control check and did not find any issues.

136/21 BUDGET – to agree the 2022/2023 budget

Prior to the meeting, the Clerk circulated a draft 2022/2023 budget and responded to a number of detailed questions from Cllr Larter in preparation of the meeting.

The draft was based on not increasing the precept given the Council's envious financial position.

Cllr Larter stated that what the Clerk had produced was incorrect despite the Clerk's professional accountancy qualification. Furthermore, Cllr Larter failed to convince Councillors that the Clerk's format was without merit and provided no alternative.

Cllr Larter considered that the precept should increase by £9.00 per household akin to "a fish and chip" supper. Cllr Dundon stated that not everybody would be able to afford such an increase.

A protracted heated discussion took place and despite a reminder from the Clerk earlier in the meeting about adherence to the Code of Conduct when the accuracy of the minutes was being discussed, Cllr Larter's conduct continued to be aggressive and offensive.

Cllr Larter requested that it be recorded that he did not participate in the vote.

Cllr Farr had proposed for the budget to be set with no increase to the precept which was seconded by Cllr Dundon but the vote was lost.

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Martin and the Council **resolved** to set the 2022/2023 budget at £8,475.00.

137/21 PRECEPT– to agree the 2022/2023 precept

The precept was considered as a consequence of setting the 2022/2023 budget.

The precept would therefore increase by £400.00 from the previous year.

Cllr Larter requested that it be recorded that he did not participate in the vote.

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Martin and the Council **resolved** to set the 2022/2023 precept at £8,000.00.

138/21 REPORTS FROM MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS – to note reports

None.

139/21 NEXT PARISH MEETING – to agree date (subject to change)

The next ordinary Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 4th of January 2022, however, it is anticipated that an Extraordinary Council Meeting might be required beforehand to discuss potential increases in the cost of materials for the Reading Room renovations.

140/21 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - matters to be included as an agenda item at the next meeting

Data Protection Policy

Wi Fi in the Reading Room

The meeting closed at 22:29pm.

Date of next meeting - Tuesday 4th January 2022 at 7.30pm (subject to change).

Signed as a true record of the meeting

Chairman