

**Minutes of the Meeting of Ruan Laniorne Parish Council held at Ruan Reading
Room on Tuesday 22nd March 2022 at 7.30pm**

Present Councillors: J Adams, G. Cairns, P Farr, G Pring (Chairman)

In Attendance: Tomas Hill (Clerk) Cllr Julian German CC & 2 members of public

24/22 APOLOGIES – to receive, note and accept apologies

Cllr Dundon, Cllr Martin & Cllr Robinson submitted their apologies due to other commitments.

Cllr Farr proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to note their apologies.

25/22 DISPENSATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS (DPI) AND DECLARATION OF OTHER SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS (OSI) – to receive and note (if any)

Cllr Farr declared an interest in Agenda Item 40/22.

26/22 OPEN FORUM – for members of the Parish to make representations to the Council
None.

27/22 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR - to receive Cornwall Councillor report (if present)

Cllr German reported that a member of public had reported that the hedges on 'Ruan Hill' (from Ruan Laniorne village towards Ruan High Lanes) required cutting and a national speed sign close to Ruan High Lanes had dropped to the bottom of the pole. Cllr German would report both items.

Cllr German spoke briefly about housing provision for Ukrainian refugees.

28/22 MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING (Tuesday 8th February 2022) – to confirm accuracy and approve

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

29/22 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not on the agenda & for report only)

Per 9/22, PA21/12351 - Construction of a swimming pool - Trethella Ruan High Lanes TR2 5PA was approved with conditions.

Per 10/22 PA21/12433 Listed Building Consent for proposed minor repairs, alterations and minor extension to Trelonk Farmhouse - Trelonk Farm Ruan High Lanes TR2 5PA was approved with conditions.

Per 11/22, PA21/12672 Single storey kitchen extension - Little Treviles Ruan High Lanes TR2 5NR was approved with conditions.

Per 12/22, PA22/00171 Proposed replacement of existing garage with new double garage/workshop with home office/hobbies room over - Trenestrall Cottage Ruan High Lanes TR2 5LX was approved with conditions.

30/22 CORRESPONDENCE (not on the agenda & for report only)

Cllr German had emailed the Clerk concerning grants for new bus shelters which was noted for future reference.

31/22 PLANNING – to consider the following planning application:
PA22/02367 Extensions and alterations including raising of roof to form 1st floor accommodation with interconnected annexe - Lanes End Ruan High Lanes TR2 5NW

The applicants were invited to speak about their application.

Councillors considered the application against the Roseland Plan.

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

32/22 HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY – to report issues and note updates

Cllr Pring has used the Cornwall Council 'Report it' system for some potholes, however, some of repairs have already failed. Councillors highlighted some additional issues to Cllr German.

Cllr Pring has spoken to land owners at either side of the unclassified road U6096 from Trelonk to Trenestrall. Two 'Public Byway' signs and posts currently held in the Reading Room were considered appropriate to erect at either end as there was currently no signage in situ. The Clerk highlighted that the signs would need to be altered to reflect the correct legal status as an unclassified road has a higher status than a Public Byway and were maintained by different departments of Cornwall Council.

Cllr Cairns proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to support the erection of the signs and the Clerk contact Cornwall Council for appropriate signage.

It was also reported that a new Public Footpath sign is required at the start of 317/7/1 where it commences from the Ruan Chapel to Ruan High Lanes road and the Clerk would report the issue to Cornwall Council.

33/22 LOCAL MAINTENANCE PARTNERSHIP – to formally enter 2022/2023 agreement

The Clerk had received the paperwork concerning the Local Maintenance Partnership for 2022/2023.

Cllr Adams proposed, seconded by Cllr Pring and the Council **resolved** to formally enter the 2022/2023 agreement.

34/22 READING ROOM – to receive report on Reading Room renovation works

Cllr Adams proposed, seconded by Cllr Farr and the Council **resolved** a formal vote of thanks to Cllr Pring for all of his efforts.

Following completion of the approved works, between meetings, Councillors agreed to pay the final invoice to the builder, Steve Cawrse. The Clerk was still anticipating correspondence concerning building regulations.

Cllr Farr suggested offering a couple of free sessions to potential hire groups such as yoga to trial whether additional income streams can be established.

35/22 READING ROOM – to consider sanding and revarnishing of floor

Contrasting views have been received concerning the sanding and revarnishing of floor. It was noted that the floor was deliberately left unvarnished in case of flooding to allow the floor to dry out.

Cllr Cairns volunteered to clean the kitchen floor area in the first instance.

36/22 PARISH STOCKS – to consider relocating parish stocks to Reading Room

Cllr Pring gave a brief background into the storage of the parish stocks.

Cllr Cairn proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to relocate them into the Reading Room.

37/22 FUTURE PROJECTS – to consider feedback from public consultation

The Council undertook a public consultation during the official reopening of the Reading Room.

Blinds, coat hooks, book shelves for a book exchange, a picture rail and a monthly coffee morning were suggested for the Ruan Reading Room.

Councillors also discussed improving the car parking area.

Cllr Cairns volunteered to purchase the coat hooks and associated materials and fit the previously purchased stair gate. Cllr Martin volunteered to purchase the blinds.

Cllr Farr proposed, seconded by Cllr Pring and the Council **resolved** to purchase coat hooks and blinds in the first instance.

38/22 ASSETS CHECK – to receive assets report and consider revaluation

Councillors viewed the new Platinum Jubilee Bench purchased by the Ruan Social Group from a National Lottery grant. It was understood that the bench was to be donated to the Council and placed outside of the Reading Room. The Clerk would write to the Ruan Social Group to establish their intentions.

The broken windows in the telephone box and bus shelter still need replacing.

David Hughes has volunteered to repair the 2nd bench on the quay due to the slats on the edges rotting away. – the cost of materials will be under £30.00.

Cllr Cairns proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to pay for the repair materials for the seat.

All other parish assets appear to be in good condition.

The Council's Table Tennis Table was still in the Reading Room and Councillors were keen to dispose of it. Cllr Pring had identified an interested local family who were willing to make a donation.

Cllr Farr proposed, seconded by Cllr Pring and the Council **resolved** to dispose them for £25.00.

The Clerk stated that whilst he had significantly increased the insurance value for the Reading Room, the Council had not had a valuation for a number of years and had spoken to Philip Martin who was willing to undertake a valuation for free.

Cllr Farr proposed, seconded by Cllr Pring and the Council **resolved** to request Philip Martin to undertake a formal revaluation of the Reading Room.

39/22 WEBSITE – to receive update

The matter was deferred.

40/22 GRANT – to consider grant to St Rumon's PCC

Cllr Farr left the room.

The Clerk stated that there was £50.00 allocated in the Grants budget. Councillors considered a grant in lieu of hire fees for the February meeting was appropriate.

Cllr Cairns proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** a grant of £50.00 to St. Rumon's PCC.

Cllr Farr returned the room.

41/22 RUANLANIHORNE READING ROOM – to consider charity status and administration

The Clerk noted that the Ruanlanihorne Reading Room charity administration was overdue which is a separate legal entity from the Council. The Clerk had previously raise closing the charity as it appears to no longer serve a purpose. The Reading Room is owned and administered by the Council.

Cllr Adams volunteered to attend to the charity administration to bring it up to date.

Cllr Pring proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to recommend to the Trustees to close the charity.

42/22 PLATINUM JUBILEE – to receive report on event planning and consider tree planting

Ruan Social Group had received a grant of £1,400.00 which included the cost of the parish event and the new bench.

Councillors considered that the Council should plant a tree as part of 'The Queen's Green Canopy' and purchase a plaque from the Royal British Legion.

Cllr Cairns proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to purchase a Royal British Legion plaque.

43/22 FINANCE – to include finance report and payments for approval

The Clerk presented the monthly budget monitoring report dated to the 22nd of March 2022 noting that a recent VAT claim had been submitted to HMRC amounting to £2,914.86. The Clerk noted that the final payment had been made to Steve Cawrse but the VAT could not be reclaimed until April.

The Clerk noted that the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has agreed on the new rates of pay applicable from 1 April 2021.

Cllr Adams proposed, seconded by Cllr Cairns and the Council **resolved** to sign payments per the March budget monitoring report inset box entitled 'payments for authorisation' to the total sum of £600.70 and formally note the Clerk's pay award.

44/22 REPORTS FROM MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS – to note reports

Cllr Pring attend the Truro and Roseland Community Network Panel and £4,800.00 has been awarded to extend the 40mph zone on the Tregony side.

45/22 NEXT PARISH MEETING, ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING AND ANNUAL PARISH MEETING -to agree date (subject to change)

Councillors agreed Tuesday 3rd May 2022 at Ruan Reading Room at 7:00pm for the Annual Parish Meeting followed by refreshments before the Annual Council Meeting at 7:30pm subject to change.

46/22 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - matters to be included as an agenda item at the next meeting

Audit

Platinum Jubilee Bench and Tree

Website

The meeting closed at 21:15.

Date of next meeting - Tuesday 3rd May 2022 at 7.30pm (subject to change).

Signed as a true record of the meeting

Chairman