Minutes of the Meeting of Ruan Lanihorne Parish Council held at Ruan Reading Room on Tuesday 3rd January 2023 at 7.30pm

Present Councillors: J Adams, C Martin (Chair), S Paull

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

1/23 APOLOGIES – to receive, note and accept apologies

Cllr Cairns and Cllr Farr submitted their apologies.

Cllr Adams proposed, seconded by Cllr Paull and the Council **resolved** to accept their apologies.

2/23 DISPENSATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS (DPI) AND ANY OTHER SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS (OSI)) – to receive and note (if any)

None.

3/23 OPEN FORUM: for members of the Parish to make representations to the Council

Members of the public spoke in favour of 8/22. They also explained the background as to why 150/22 has been withdrawn (on officer advice) with a subsequent application submitted to change the original application of an annex to a barn conversion.

4/23 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR: to receive Cornwall Councillor report (if present)

Not present.

5/23 MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING (Tuesday 6th December 2022) – to confirm accuracy and approve

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

6/23 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not on the agenda & for report only)

Per 139/22, the annual precept demand has been submitted to Cornwall Council.

Per 150/22, PA22/10154 Conversion of an existing cubicle shed structure to an Annexe. Removal of other two existing and adjacent sheds. Infill existing entrance to the main house. Open access to the main fields. Landscaping Works. Land And Buildings Adj Tregisswyn Farm Ruan High Lanes TR2 5LD – withdrawn.

7/23 CORRESPONDENCE (not on the agenda & for report only)

As per usual, the Clerk had circulated various correspondence to Councillors between meetings.

Councillors had received correspondence concerning the following application:

PA22/10184 - Proposed visitor infrastructure development which includes change of use of land to provide increased car parking provision and improved sense of arrival for visitors including reconfiguration of existing main car park at Trelissick, works to the highway to create a safe crossing point and extended 30mph zone and creation of new 250 space car park - Trelissick Gardens Trelissick Feock Truro TR3 6QL

Councillors briefly discussed the matter but did not wish to consider it as a Council matter. Members of the public could submit their own individual comments.

PA22/11151 - The proposal is to convert an existing AtCost cubicle shed structure to a Barn Conversion. This will also involve the dismantling/ removal of two existing and adjacent AtCost sheds. Further ancillary works include a requirement to open new access to the main fields via an existing section of Cornish hedging being removed - Land And Buildings Adj Tregisswyn Farm Ruan High Lanes

The Clerk would write to the Planning Officer to seek an extension in time with a view to holding an Extraordinary Council Meeting on the 31st of January 2023.

8/23 PLANNING – to reconsider the following planning application:

PA22/10153 Rear extension to provide conservatory / orangery and separate cart shed for garaging with office over - Tregisswyn Farm Ruan High Lanes TR2 5LD

Councillors considered the planning application.

Cllr Adams proposed, seconded by Cllr Paull and the Council **resolved** to support.

9/23 HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY – to report issues and note updates

The Chair reported a telephone conversation from a parishioner concerned about the River Fal undermining the highway near Trethewey just within the parish boundary (Ruan side of Porters).

The Chair also read out a letter from a parishioner considering overgrown hedges towards Ruan High Lanes.

Cllr Paull proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** for the Chair to speak to the individual landowner concerned in the first instance and for the Clerk to speak to the complainant to let them know what action was being taken.

Cllr Paull reported that the hand rail at Trethella had been renewed by CORMAC. Cllr Paull has therefore reimbursed the Council for the materials agreed per 110/22.

10/23 SALT BIN – to consider relocation in Ruan Lanihorne village

Parishioners had informally approached a Councillor concerning the possibility of moving the salt bin in Ruan Lanihorne village arising from the December cold spell.

Councillors discussed the matter and were content with its current location on the basis that it is better to 'shovel down' rather than 'shovel up'.

11/23 UNCLASSIFIED HIGHWAY U6096 - to receive report concerning signage

The matter was deferred as Cllr Cairns was not present.

12/23 ASSET CHECKS – to review condition of parish assets

Cllr Paull had undertaken asset checks in Ruan High Lanes and Treworga and suggested some paving slabs in front of the Treworga notice board.

Cllr Martin had undertaken asset checks in Ruan Lanihorne village with no issues raised. Cllr Paull also suggested installing some galvanised posts in preparation of the installation of the new noticeboard.

Cllr Adams proposed, seconded by Cllr Martin and the Council **resolved** to purchase some paving slabs and associated materials to improve the area in front of the noticeboard at Treworga and some galvanised posts for the new noticeboard in Ruan Lanihorne village.

13/23 RUAN SALTINGS – to consider works to dead and diseased trees on verge between Pond and Sett Bridge

Councillors reported that some dead trees have been cut with firewood distributed to identified parishioners. The toppings have been left for the wildlife.

Volunteers from REACT have been identified to replant but the Council will need to pay for the tree guards and stakes. The Council would ask for donations for the firewood towards the replanting costs.

Cllr Adams proposed, seconded by Cllr Martin and the Council **resolved** to pay for the tree guards and stakes and for the Council to receive donations should any be forthcoming.

14/23 GRANT – to consider using grant budget

The Ruan Social Group were identified as a potential recipient towards the Coronation and were invited to submit a grant request.

15/23 READING ROOM – to receive car parking improvement report

No further action had been undertaken prior to the last report but consideration has been given as to when the conditions were appropriate to undertake the work.

16/23 READING ROOM – to renew First Aid equipment

A new first aid kit was required for the Reading Room.

Cllr Paull proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** for the Chair to purchase a new First Aid kit.

17/23 WARM HUB – to consider using Reading Room as community warm hub

The matter was considered and it was felt that a coffee morning once a month would be a good approach. The first coffee meeting will be planned for 7th February 2023 and advertised in the Roseland Magazine.

Cllr Paull proposed, seconded by Cllr Martin and the Council **resolved** to proceed with a coffee morning with any associated expenses taken from the 'Training and Meetings' budget.

18/23 FINANCE – to include finance report and payments for approval

The Clerk presented the monthly budget monitoring report dated to the 3rd of January 2023 which was duly noted. No payments were presented for authorisation.

Between meetings, interim payments of £337.43 were made to the Clerk and HMRC.

19/23 REPORTS FROM MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS – to note reports

None. Cllr Martin will attend a meeting at New County Hall concerning the proposed devolution deal.

20/23 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - matters to be included as an agenda item at the next meeting

Unclassified Highway U6096 Land Registry address updates New contract and job description

21/23 CLERK'S CONTRACT - to consider NALC 2022/2023 pay award

The Council have finally received the following message from NALC with regard to the 2022-2023 pay award.

The National Association of Local Councils (NALC) has been notified by the Local Government Association (LGA) that it has come to an agreement on the 2022/23 pay offer with the unions representing local government employees

The unions met on 1 November 2022 and agreed to accept the offer. The terms of that agreement include the following:

With effect from 1 April 2022, an increase of £1,925 on all NJC pay points 1 and above. With effect from 1 April 2023, an increase of one day to all employees' annual leave entitlement.

Per 121/22 the Council resolved an interim increase back dated to June but would review once the National Salary Award 2022/2023 is finally published.

Cllr Martin proposed, seconded by Cllr Adams and the Council **resolved** to award the Clerk a pay increase to SPC 12 from June 2022 with the associated back dated pay to account for the adjustment of SPC 11 from April 2022 and increased holiday entitlement.

The meeting closed at 21:17.

Signed as a true record of the meeting Chair