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**ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN
THE PARISH ROOMS BREAGE AT 7.00 pm ON TUESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2008**

Present: Cllr J Keeling (Chairman)
Cllr T Ackland
Cllr Mrs P Darby
Cllr Mrs A Greenstreet
Cllr G Hesketh-Jones
Cllr G Higginson
Cllr B Nicholls
Cllr R Pryor
Cllr Ms C Rashleigh
Cllr Mrs R Wyvern Batt

County Councillor A Robertson
District Cllr L Jenkin

11 Members of the public
Mrs C Macleod (Clerk)

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Keeling asked the Clerk to make his usual declaration for item 11, Planning, that states, 'As a member of KDC Planning Committee I will not make a final decision on any planning matter until I have heard all the evidence and arguments at the KDC Planning Committee Meeting. I reserve judgement until all the views have been considered.' He also declared a personal and prejudicial interest in PA08/00120/F – Mr P Allsopp as his own business is nearby. Cllr Higginson declared a personal interest in item 11, Planning – PA08/00001/TPO – Mr P Hamill as he knows the occupant and an interest in item 12, Footpaths because of The ongoing Standards Board enquiry.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on 8 January 2008

Cllr Keeling proposed, Cllr Ackland seconded and it was unanimously resolved that the Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Meeting held on 8 January 2008, after the listed amendments, be signed as a true and correct record.

The amendments were: Page 02/08 – item 9 Reports from County and District Councillors, next to last paragraph, first line – remove 'and said that the open spaces access was denied'.

Page 03/08 - item 18, Godolphin Village Green – after 'why he had', add 'not'.

Page 06/08 – item 32, Date of next meeting – change to 5 February 2008

4. MATTERS ARISING

Item 4, Matters arising - Cllr Hesketh-Jones asked if the Clerk had checked that £10,000 was the correct figure allocated for the road repairs at Penrose Farm. The Clerk read out a reply she had received from County Councillor Robertson, "£10k was the right amount. Some temporary patching has been carried out but the full works will require drainage and a temporary road closure. The Council will be informed when this is to take place".

Item 27, Correspondence – CRCC What has your Parish Plan done for you? The Chairman had completed the survey and it had been returned to CRCC. Cllr Hesketh-Jones asked if copies were available. The Chairman replied that they could be made available.

Item 6, Members' reports to the Council , HGV sign at Shute Hill, Breage – The meeting was told that this is a real issue. County Councillor Robertson will contact Highways.

Item 21, Risk Assessment. It was suggested that the Parish Rooms rebuilding cost should be obtained for insurance purposes. Cllr Hesketh-Jones thought that this would probably cost about £100 + VAT. The Clerk reported that the value is shown on the insurance policy and is increased yearly by the Insurance Company.

5. POLICE REPORT

The Chairman reported that WPC Butcher was unable to attend the meeting but had given him a printed copy of her report. He read this out,

'This report covers the period from 9 January 2008 to 5 February 2008.

There have been 3 crimes: theft of a vehicle, a burglary to a premise with an insecure window and criminal damage to a lock.

The PACT process is continuing with the School having sent cards out to all parents. The boxes have been out in the Post Offices. PCSO Mark Mitchell has been on regular patrols during the day and evening in all areas. Mark has paid special attention to the School while the Porthleven Road has been closed, as traffic along this road has increased.

Speed detection has been taking place in Ashton and Breage.

Paul Wilkinson, (County Highways), has attended the area and taken note of the complaint. Two people attended the Ashton meeting with him and one of the complaints has already been resolved.

6. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman reported that the Christmas dinner on Saturday was well supported and Councillors had shared a pleasant and good evening. He reminded Councillors that at the last meeting no nominations had been made for CALC representatives for outside bodies. Crowan Parish Council had however nominated Cllr Keeling and their Clerk had approached Cllr Higginson in his office as Vice Chairman to Breage Parish Council and, after consultation with the Clerk and Cllr Keeling had supported the nomination. There is a meeting on Saturday 9 February that Cllr Keeling must attend. Cllr Hesketh-Jones will also be attending. Fees and travelling expenses would be reimbursed.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation was taken here from 7.14 to 7.22 p.m.

8. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

County Councillor Robertson gave the following report:

'Meetings since 11 December 2007

12/12 Crimestoppers Board Meeting - Middlemoor.

19/12 Breage Parish Council – LGR Discussion Session + Andrew George MP.

20/12 Planning Committee Site Meeting – Boscastle STW.

08/01/08 Community Scrutiny Committee – Newquay Airport.

11/01 Learning Disabilities Awareness Training.

15/01 County Council.

p.m. Member Development Charter Working Party.

17/01 Planning Committee

23/01 Community Scrutiny Committee – Fire Brigade and Forward Budget.

p.m. Tour of Cornwall Record Office (Tithe Digitisation Project).

24/01 Crowan Parish Council.

'TOPICS

'It looks like a very busy year ahead for the County Council

'Predictably, the 'One Cornwall' project dominates. The work seems to be still at the early stage (deciding on the 'values, visions and culture' of the proposed new authority and 'communications and engagement') so there is still much to do in not much time. The situation regarding proposed community networks and Parish and Town Council involvement is also quite fluid at present. Of the 34 Parish and Town Councils within Kerrier, 5 have evinced an interest in taking on more responsibilities and 29 have not. The Joint Scrutiny Committee, being set up to oversee the work of the Implementation Executive, will, unfortunately, not be empowered to 'call in' decisions but will report back to the County and District Councils.

'Other key issues which are all coming to the fore are Fire Brigade cover, Waste Management (with the proposed EfW Plant at St Dennis), delivering the Convergence Programme for European funding, the £42M development of Newquay Airport and preparing for the Council's CAA inspection in the Spring.

'The Annual budget-setting meeting of the Council is set for 19 February. There is some good news in that the Formula Grant we receive back from Central Government was above average, resulting in an extra £6.2M for 2008/2009. Unfortunately, the Treasurer has identified around £11M of 'budget pressures' despite having achieved the £1.1M of efficiency savings required by Government targets. It is proposed to allocate an extra £1.1M to next year's Fire Brigade budget, which will remove the financial pressure to reduce cover at Camborne and Falmouth.

'A recent report has identified a £100M maintenance backlog in County Council properties (£89M of which is in schools) and there is thought to be a similar level of problem with the County's highways network.

'I was very concerned to learn that the Children, Young People and Families Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee have recommended that the funding formula for schools should be applied differently (giving more weight to student numbers and less to school size than at present). It seems inevitable that this will remove a large proportion of funding from smaller (mainly rural) schools to provide smaller, proportional increases to larger (mainly town) ones.

'Highways issues raised during WPC Anne Butcher's tour with Paul Wilkinson on 15 January are being followed up.'

With regard to the requested HGV signs at the end of Shute Hill, Ordnance Survey have realised the problems being caused by lorries and Satnav and are attempting to sort things out.

Re: the Pengersick drains – there is more to be done and it will be brought up next week. There are to be proper drain covers and cleanup arrangements are being made with Kerrier.

District Councillor Jenkin reported that One Cornwall is taking up a lot of time as she is still trying to determine who will be responsible for what. She wants to know who will be responsible for play areas and beaches and who will deliver. It does not appear to have been thought out. Staff will be lost in a month or so. There are proposals that will enable more flexible contingencies for consultants buying from other Councils and to ensure that services are operating in the correct ways. Children and Young People's Partnership – Colleges are producing a DVD. Older People's Forum is bringing agencies together. Adult Social Care won't kick in until there is a real need. Culture and Heritage – events and activities across the district, venues and happenings. There is a database on the website. District Cllr Jenkin asked that questionnaires be completed. There are key areas that people value, including Praa Green and Playing Fields.

District Councillor Greenstreet

There is a Cornwall Play Strategy at the Eden Project – children and young people's training. There has been lots of training for Cllr Greenstreet and Scrutiny meetings, computers, personal safety, planning training. She has a One Cornwall meeting on Friday. She thanked Cllrs Robertson and Keeling for their help in dealing with the problems caused by the mineshaft opening in Trewithen Terrace.

"District Councillor Keeling had attended several meetings over the past month. Of note was the CAB AGM. They are affected by the One Cornwall one Council and may become a one Cornwall CAB in future.

Kerrier will, during the transition to unitary, suffer staff shortages through natural wastage and secondment; however, there is a strong commitment to maintain service delivery and no cutbacks are envisaged. The Kerrier Scrutiny Committees, who are responsible for challenge to the cabinet and question decisions, have been merged into 2 to use resources more economically. Cllrs Mrs Judith Haycock and John Keeling have been elected Chairmen for these.

Local issues and items raised at last meeting:

Planning issues – Trevorian Barn hydrotherapy pool has been passed.

Breage Churchyard wall is in danger of collapse and ultimately the responsibility of Kerrier District Council. Cllr Keeling is keeping in contact with Steve Schotel, Principle Engineer at Kerrier. Vicar Penny will be kept informed at all times. There are plans to build a temporary wall (Gabion) to prevent total collapse then maintenance work can be undertaken to remedy the problem.

Seameads Planning application – no letters had been received by neighbours. Cllr Keeling has spoken to Planning to ensure this is lapse is prevented in the future.

Free bus travel – He has contacted Pat Aston, Portfolio Holder for Social Inclusion re: local newspaper reports about concessionary bus travel; Kerrier appears to come out badly financially. Kerrier District Council will issue a press statement to ensure accuracy.

Neighbourhood Watch Godolphin – He has contacted interested villagers about more involvement in the scheme.

Handrails for a public footpath near Ashton Field – The Village Association has agreed to put up a rail.

Cut-off dates for Planning Applications – He has spoken to Nicola Stinson who will cover that issue at a planning training meeting in Helston tomorrow evening.

Councillor Keeling is liaising with the Affordable Housing Officer to ensure that local people within Breage Parish in housing need are allocated the new affordable houses in Breage Village."

9. MEMBERS' REPORTS TO THE COUNCIL

Cllr Greenstreet reported that the gate at Godolphin Churchyard is being removed tomorrow by Mark Phillips from Breage Church and it will be repaired or replaced.

Cllr Higginson had attended a Neighbourhood Watch meeting at Carleen. It was a good meeting and Inspector Mark Eccles had been present.

Cllr Keeling asked that a letter of thanks be sent to Mark Phillips as he had also arranged for the Churchyard to be tidied prior to the Remembrance Day service.

It was reported that Breage bus shelter window had again been broken. The Clerk had spoken to the Handyman who recommended that it be blocked up.

10. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Breage Playing Field – A letter re: the boundary hedge had been received from the residents in Vicarage Row who were concerned that a barrier had been erected, separating them from the other half of the village. They asked if a gate could be inserted. The Chairman explained that the Council had discussed this fully and had looked into the possibility of a gate but that neither Kerrier nor County looked favourably on this. Consequently it had been decided to repair the hedge and erect the barrier to stop the hedge being broken down, thus ensuring that the hedge is stock – proof and child – proof. This, of course is for the good of the children.

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Rashleigh and resolved with one vote against, that the Clerk write to the Residents of Vicarage Row explaining why the hedge had been repaired and a barrier placed on it and advising them that a Planning Application for a gate would cost a lot of money and would not be looked upon favourably by Kerrier.

It was asked if safety signs could be erected outside the gates of the Playing Field. County Councillor Robertson advised that Paul Wilkinson has money allocated for this in next year's budget. Carleen Village Hall - Cllr Darby advised that the form to have Carleen Village Hall registered as an emergency room had been completed. A Quiz will be held on 23 February.

County Councillor Robertson left the meeting at this point.

11. PLANNING:

Cllr Keeling used his public participation right to speak about PA08/00120/F – Mr P Allsopp and told the meeting that it is a reclaimed field that has been reseeded. There are sheep, 5 donkeys and chickens. The donkeys need shelter. There is a footpath at the end of the field that is not shown on the plans.

a) APPLICATIONS

PA08/00031/F – Mr & Mrs F Campbell- Polgarth, Polladras, Breage, HELSTON, Cornwall

Erection of conservatory extension to dwelling

It was proposed by Cllr Ackland, seconded by Cllr Higginson and unanimously resolved that the application be supported.

Cllr Keeling left the meeting at this point and Cllr Higginson took the Chair.

PA08/00120/F – Mr P Allsopp – Fore Street, Ashton, HELSTON TR13 9RN

Erection of stables and barn

Cllr Pryor stated that he was against the wood cladding. **It was proposed by Cllr Pryor that the buildings should be block built.** There was no seconder for this proposal. **It was proposed by Cllr Hesketh-Jones, seconded by Cllr Ackland and resolved with one vote against that the application be supported but that the absence of the footpath on the plans should be brought to the attention of Kerrier Planning and it should be stated that the right of way should not be compromised.**

Cllr Keeling returned to the meeting and retook the Chair.

PA08/00001/TPO – Mr P Hamill – The Old Vicarage, Godolphin Cross, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9RQ

Lopping and topping of Holm Oak, Acer and Turkey Oak trees and felling of four Leylandii

Councillors agreed that this was carefully planned and were impressed by the thoroughness.

Cllr Hesketh-Jones mentioned that it was odd that the Primary School was shown in the middle of the plans.

It was proposed by Cllr Ackland, seconded by Cllr Higginson and unanimously resolved that the application be supported.

PA08/00142/E – Mr & Mrs E Champion - Polladras Farm, Polladras, Breage, HELSTON, Cornwall

Conversion of redundant barn to holiday let

The conversion was thought by Councillors to be an improvement on what is presently there. **It was proposed by Cllr Higginson, seconded by Cllr Keeling and resolved with one vote against that the application be supported.**

PA07/02102/E – Mr S Berryman – 10 Forth Vean, Godolphin, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9RH

Erection of a conservatory extension to dwelling

It was proposed by Cllr Wyvern Batt, seconded by Cllr Nicholls and unanimously resolved that the application be supported.

PA08/00154/E – Mr S Hickson – Rainbows End, Rocky Lane, Trescowe Common, Germoe, PENZANCE

Erection of extension and alterations to dwelling and erection of a domestic garage/outbuilding/plant room and installation of a septic tank

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Hesketh-Jones and resolved with three abstentions that the application be supported.

There were three abstentions as the Councillors in question had not seen the Application.

b) NOTICE OF CONDITIONAL PERMISSION FOR DEVELOPMENT

PA07/01835/F – Mrs J Richardson – Perak, Carnmeal, Breage, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9NL

Erection of a first floor extension to dwelling

PA07/01685/F – Mr & Mrs Warden – 3 Pellor Fields, Breage, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9UL

Erection of a two-storey extension to side of dwelling and a conservatory extension at the rear

c) NOTICE OF REFUSAL OF PERMISSION FOR DEVELOPMENT

PA07/01435/FM – Bronzemill Limited – Cornwall Motel, Main Road, Ashton, Cornwall TR13 9SX

Demolition of existing motel and associated buildings, and erection of twenty self-catering units of holiday Accommodation

d) TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 – SECTION 78 APPEAL

PA06/01790/F – Mr C Chapman – Mary Barn, Polladras, Breage, HELSTON, Cornwall

Erection of an extension to barn and installation of window and roof coverings to building

12. FOOTPATHS

The Chairman reported that the group had met several times.

a) Report on meeting

In attendance: Cllr Keeling, Cllr Darby, Mr B Saunders, Mr C Bayes, Mrs George, Mrs Board.

General comments on the following PROW and related issues:

Footpath 39 – brambles are a problem and the entrance to the PROW is unclear. A marker will be fixed permanently to indicate the start to the PROW. Colin B will provide markers.

Footpath 14 – with regard to the over grown area Bob Sanders will try out his new Flail Mower on this to see how it goes. The lawful route of this PROW is through the Garden Centre and County will be clearing this obstruction. They have a mandatory duty to do this since they were served notice by the Ramblers Association.

Bridleway 8 – there has been a query on this PROW by a member of the public and a suitable reply will be sent upon receipt of the enquirer's details.

Horsepool, Godolphin – CCC will cut grooves in the steps at Horsepool to improve the grip and help prevent walkers injuring themselves.

Footpath 46 – with reference to the Reliant Robins at the end of the PROW, contact has been made with the owner of the vehicles and he has agreed to remove them. The site will be inspected in a couple of month's time. The Kerrier Enforcement Officer will provide help for the caravan just off the footpath to be fenced off.

Footpath 41 – there is a requirement for a modification order on both ends of this PROW at Praa Sands.

Footpath 54 – the part of the coastal path has now been lost and there is a requirement for a Varying Order to formalize the Coastal path. The POC for this is Mark Owen PROW Development Officer (01392 382557). It is unclear at the moment where this path will go and possibly a meeting with the County Councillor and Mr Owen would be desirable.

Reference was also made to the following PROW: 51,52,53,43,80 and 58.

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Nicholls and resolved that the above report be noted.

b) Letter from Sarah Ladner – LMP PPIP 2008/9 New Cutting Regimes

The Chairman and Cllr Darby spoke about the new cutting regime. A map had been received from County, to which amendments and corrections had been made. This should now be returned to Tom Fletcher, together with the list of comments and requests for each path, kindly provided by Mr Darby. Mr Fletcher will then provide a price. Mr Sanders, the Contractor is happy with the new regime. The Chairman expressed his confidence in

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling seconded by Cllr Darby and unanimously resolved that the PROW group in conjunction with the Chairman and Vice Chairman establish the remuneration for the LMP PPIP 2008/09 New-cutting Regime to ensure the council is not financially disadvantaged by the scheme.

13. STREETLIGHTING

Cllr Pryor reported that the work on 2 lights that was agreed in December still has not been carried out. The Clerk was asked to write again.

14. HIGHWAYS

County Councillor Robertson will look into the possibility of HGV signs on Shute Hill.

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Rashleigh and unanimously resolved that Breage Parish Council support Breage C of E School's efforts to reduce and slow down traffic in the area of the school.

Cllr Higginson asked if a lay-by could be constructed at the bus stop opposite the bus shelter in Carleen as passengers alighted into a muddy mess. **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Higginson and unanimously resolved that the Chairman and Vice Chairman meet to look at and discuss this issue.**

Cllr Rashleigh reported that she had reported the gouge in the road at the end of the lane leading into Shute Hill, Breage. She was being persistent and had contacted both Barry Manning and Sheila Healey.

15. CEMETERY

The Chairman, Cllr Pryor and Cllr Greenstreet had met to further discuss Mary Goodyear's gift of £2,000.00. It was suggested that a suitable fence be erected at the back of the bungalows. **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Wyvern Batt and unanimously resolved that the Clerk write to the residents of the bungalows at Coaches Corner telling them of the donation in regard to the erection of a fence.** It was also suggested that some trees be planted at the bottom of the Cemetery and shrubs at the Garden of Remembrance for Cremated Remains. Thanks were extended to Cllr Pryor for his care of the Cemetery. The Chairman then produced a sketch of the Cemetery. Ross Beard had been spoken to about moving the post and rail fence to encompass all the land belonging to the Parish Council. This would clearly mark the boundary at the far side, clearly claim the Council's land and hopefully discourage flytipping. The Chairman asked if the current tarmac path could be extended to the post and rail fence in due course and if the shed could be moved across to the other side.

Mr Beard had requested that the next section of the Cemetery to be used should begin at the Cornish hedge to the right starting with number 1. This would make access with his digger much easier. The Chairman felt that this was a reasonable request. A Parishioner wishes to purchase plots 1 – 4.

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Ackland and unanimously resolved that

- i) In due course, the existing tarmac path be extended to the post and rail fence and the shed be moved across to the other side of the Cemetery.
- ii) The post and rail fencing be moved to encompass all the land belonging to Breage Parish Council.
- iii) A policy be developed re: headstones, kerbstones, etc.
- iv) In fullness of time, the next section of the Cemetery to be used for burials will begin at the Cornish hedge with plot 1 and a further area for Cremated Remains will be established.

16. PRAA GREEN

- a) The Clerk had written to Ross Beard confirming that the rabbit holes on the Green be filled.
- b) The Clerk reported that Mr Allsopp from Praa Sands had offered to erect a post and mesh fence in replacement of the damaged section of fence on Praa Green. He would do this for £80.00, which would pay for the mesh. **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Ackland and unanimously resolved that the Clerk contact Mr Allsopp and accept his offer to erect a post and mesh fence in replacement of the damaged section of fence on Praa Green.**
- c) The Chairman had a photograph of the steps to the Beachcomber at Praa Sands, showing a big drop and gap by the wall. He reported that Colin Bayes had inspected part of the Coastal footpath last Wednesday. H will contact a structural engineer and source funding to carry out repairs. The situation would be monitored subject to the availability of funding.
Praa Sands toilets had been closed on more than one occasion recently and on nice days when lots of visitors were wanting to make use of them, The Chairman had telephoned Tom Marks. It appears that the person who unlocks them had gone on holiday and failed to inform the cleaner.
Footpaths are needing a lot of work. The Chairman will try to motivate people and attempt to get a Community group together.

17. GODOLPHIN VILLAGE GREEN

The Clerk reported that Cllr Pryor had kindly sorted through paperwork on the Green and from this the Clerk had extracted the following information: In the 1960s and 1970s there was much correspondence between the Clerk here and the Commons Commissioners. Breage Parish Council wanted the land to be accepted as Common Land.

There is a letter dated 24 January 1975 from the Clerk and Chief Executive CCC to Breage Clerk, stating that the land could become Common Land subject to the ruling of the Commons Commissioner and would be administered by Breage Parish Council if they were unable to provide any information as to a possible owner. County lodged a formal objection to the application but the land became Common Land on 18 May 1977 and has been administered by Breage Parish Council.

County objected again in 1982 but on 28 February 1983 the Commissioners confirmed that it is Common Land and is subject to protection under section 9 of the Act of 1965.

The Clerk had written to Paul Wilkinson informing him of this and saying that Breage Parish Council have obviously continued to be responsible for the Green and asked that if they are wrong in this, perhaps he would kindly let the Clerk know as the Council have paid for the upkeep and maintenance of the Green for a long time.

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Pryor and unanimously resolved that the Clerk's report be noted.

18. CARLEEN TELEPHONE BOX

A letter had been received from English Heritage stating that 'the Secretary of State has decided that the building is not of special architectural or historic interest and should not be listed'. Cllrs Darby and Ackland spoke about the area as a Heritage Centre with a Chapel dating from 1833. The mining area in itself is of significant interest and there is within the village an old post box that has a preservation order on it.

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Hesketh-Jones and unanimously resolved that the Clerk write to the Department for Culture, Media and Sport requesting the decision be reviewed.

19. PARISH LITTER BINS AND DOG BINS

The Chairman reported that he had asked Tom Marks to note the fact that waste bins were missing in Breage no cost to Breage Parish Council and he has agreed to have a waste bin sited outside the Breage Play Area. It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Wyvern Batt and unanimously resolved that the **Clerk write to Mr Marks confirming the Parish Council's support for additional waste bins to be located outside the Breage Play Area. Two if possible.**

20. TABLE – PARISH ROOMS

Cllr Higginson provided four of each one, two and four inch wooden blocks, which were inserted in turn under the table legs until Councillors were able to sit in a more comfortable position.

The one-inch blocks proved to be the most satisfactory and Cllr Wyvern Batt, after obtaining the required diameter said that she would arrange to have feet of this size made.

21. STANDING ORDERS/RISK ASSESSMENT/CODE OF CONDUCT

It was proposed by Cllr Hesketh-Jones, seconded by Cllr Keeling and unanimously resolved that the Standing Orders/ Risk Assessment/Code of Conduct, as amended, be put together, in due course, for Council use.

22. REPORT FROM CLERK

- a)The Clerk reported that Peter Gordon, the Handyman, has decided to stop working for the Parish Council. His workload has increased to the point where he is over committed. He will complete the 3 outstanding tasks. He apologises for the inconvenience this will cause. The Clerk was asked to advertise the position of Handyman.
Councillors expressed their regret that the Handyman is leaving and praised his work.
- b)An electrician has assessed the cost of the Ventaxia renewal as between £40 and £50. The Handyman would need to remove and renew the damaged ceiling. The Handyman has made contact and arrangements are in hand.
The quote for rewiring is approximately £1,500. This includes a new storage heater. The fuseboard does not need renewing and some of the recent wiring appears to be all right.
- c)There has only been one quote so far for Cllr Ackland's fire alarm specification.
- d)The Code of Conduct training evening will take place in Breage Village Hall on Tuesday 26 February from 6.30 p.m. onwards.
- e)The Clerk has written to the people who have been awarded donations and she has received two thank yous. These are included in item 23, Correspondence
- f)The Chairman had provided answers for the CRCC Parish Plan questionnaire and the Clerk has posted this.
- g)The ferreters have caught a further 24 rabbits, that is 52 altogether. The holes have not yet been filled in. The Clerk will contact Ross Beard again.
- h)The front door and the toilet door are catching on the floor. The Clerk will ask the Handyman to look at this.
- i)County had telephoned to say that the St Breaca Play Area is closed for a while because of the building work.
- j) Mr Wilkins, Parish Clerk for Madron and Sithney is willing to be the Internal Auditor. The Clerk asked for a resolution. **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Wyvern Batt and unanimously resolved that the Clerk contact Mr Wilkins with a formal request that he be Breage Parish Council's auditor.**
- k)A Planning Enforcement Complaints form had been sent to Kerrier in respect of the gate in the hedge at Carleen, reported by Cllr Ackland. Cllr Ackland had provided a map and pictures.
- l)The Clerk has submitted a VAT claim for £8,071.16.
- m)The vacancy due to Cllr Matthew's resignation has been advertised.
- n) Bus shelters at Germoe and Ashton were cleaned on 23 January. The Chairman had checked them.
- o) There has been no reply from Swallowcourt. **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Pryor and unanimously resolved that the Clerk write to Swallowcourt again.**

23. CORRESPONDENCE

Queensbury – Bus shelter brochure

Communities and Local Government – Consultation Orders and Regulations relating to the Code of Conduct
CCC – Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Bridleway from Trewithen Terrace Confirmation Modification Order
KDC – Parish and Town Council Liaison – Karen North appointed Statutory Support Officer

Andrew George MP – Public Meeting re: West Cornwall Hospital – St John's Hall, Penzance, Thursday 24 January 2008 at 7.30 p.m. (Clerk has informed Councillors)

Breage C of E School – letter from Chairman of Governors asking Council to consider a reduction in the speed limit outside the school and at crossing point - this was discussed earlier

CALC – Indexation of cash limit for 2008-2009 £5.86 per elector

ROSPA – form to book this year's inspection of play areas. If done at the allotted time – (April for Cornwall) – £60 per site + £3 per additional item over 5 per site – **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Wyvern Batt and unanimously resolved that inspections be booked for Breage and Ashton Playing Fields and a Risk Assessment for the new equipment at Breage.**

BT – Free call divert service

Open Spaces – Thank you letter

Vicarage Road Residents – letter re: fence on hedge - Dealt with under Item 10, Reports from Outside Bodies

CCC – Annual Minerals & Waste Monitoring Report 2006/07

CRCC – small grants to assist in implementing Parish Plan Projects. This to be passed to the Chairman.

Greenspace – Free online forum for Community Groups involved with parks and open spaces

Carleen Village Hall – letter of thanks

KDC – Changes to Delegated Powers Planning Information briefing sessions on Monday 28 January 4.00 p.m. at the Council offices or Wednesday 6 February, 4.00 p.m. at the Wesley Chapel, Helston - Clerk and Cllr Higginson will attend

KDC – Invitation for Chairman and guest and Clerk and guest to attend a Civic dinner at Penventon Park Hotel, Redruth on Friday 14 March 2008 £23.00 per person – No-one is able to attend.

Audit Commission – Appointment of Alun Williams as External Auditor to Breage Parish Council – five years from 2007/8 audit

One Cornwall – Parish and Town Council Communication – issue 5

PS Mark Pascoe, Helston Neighbourhood Team – PACT meeting, Wednesday 6 February, Cornexchange room, Helston Town Council building, Coinagehall St, Helston. 7.00 p.m. start, tea and coffee from 6.30 p.m. 50+ - West Cornwall Leisure weeks, free activities to encourage people 50+ to try new activities from guided walks to archery, Tai Chi to Sailing. 10 days of activities. Asking for support with a contribution

Additional:

Environment and Heritage Questionnaire survey – Chairman to complete.

KDC – Planning Committee Training – Chairman encouraged Councillors to attend.

KDC – Review of Dog ban – 13 February 2008 at 7.00 p.m.

CALC – meeting hosted by Electoral Commission, Camborne to consider the probable boundary review

Mrs Turner – letter asking that the hedge at the Penzance end of Higher Road, be cut back and trimmed as it is unsightly and tangled. The rest of the hedge looks wonderful. This is not a complaint but a request. **It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Pryor and unanimously resolved that the Clerk contact Ross Beard and ask him to cut back and tidy the hedge from the Playing Field double gates to the bus shelter, Breage.**

24. FINANCE

a) Accounts for payment

The Clerk reported that the Handyman's invoice was for £420.46, making total invoices £2,204.50 and total payments £2,704.90.

no.	Name	cheque	Service/item	Net	VAT	Total
95	EDF Energy	dd	Electricity Street Lighting	£681.58	£119.28	£800.86
96	RW Beard	102369	I cut Breage Cemetery/B&G greens Amenity Area	£160.00		£160.00
97	BT	dd	Telephone	£54.74	£9.57	£64.31
98	Mrs C L Macleod (Tiscali)	102370	Internet	£12.76	£2.23	£14.99
99	Peter Gordon	102371	Handyman's duties	£418.71	£1.75	£420.46
100	SouthernElectricalContractingLtd	102372	Routine Maintenance Street Lighting	£547.98	£95.90	£643.88
TOTALS				£1,875.77	£228.73	£2,104.50
	Mrs C L Macleod	102373	Salary	£514.47		£514.47
	PO LtdHMRev&Customs	102374	National Insurance	£10.84		£10.84
	PO LtdHMRev&Customs	102374	PAYE	£9.90		£9.90
				£535.21		£535.21
	Mrs C L Macleod	102375	Travelling 30.5 mls @ 53p per mile Parking	£16.16		£16.16
				£0.90		£0.90
				£17.06		£17.06
		102376	Petty Cash reimbursement January	£15.30		£15.30
	PO Ltd HMRev&Customs	102374	Employer's NI	£12.83		£12.83
	C Howard	102377	Caretaker Honorarium	£20.00		£20.00
TOTAL Payments				£2,476.17	£228.73	£2,704.90

It was proposed by Cllr Keeling, seconded by Cllr Hesketh-Jones and unanimously resolved that the listed accounts, including the payment to Peter Gordon be passed for payment.

b) Receipts £110.00 Burial fees

c) The Bank Balance, excluding the above payments is £14,228.48 and the Petty Cash, £84.70.

25. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

26. MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

Fire Alarms/ Removal of Clerk's salary from public domain

27. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 4 March at 7.00 pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.52 p.m.

BREAGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DURING THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS ON TUESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2008

At 7.14 p.m. the Chairman invited members of the public to put forward any concerns they had, or issues they wished to make known to the Parish Council, in regard to any items on the agenda.

Mr Darby asked if there had been follow up re: the valley at Trew. Cllr Rashleigh had requested deletion of this reference – see Confirmation of Minutes, item 3. Mr Darby also asked if there had been any developments in regard to Trew Green.

Mrs Board reported that the right hand side drain was blocked at Pengersick, Praa Sands as was the open drain on the Green. She asked when work on the Praa Sands notice board would be completed. The Clerk reported that it should be finished by the end of the week and be erected by Monday next.

Mr Tree, Chair of Breage C of England School Governors asked for the Council's support of the school's request to County for the introduction of a 20 m.p.h. speed limit outside the school and on the A394. The limit on the A394 would be applied only when the school crossing lights were on. He read the listing of speed limits that appear on the transport website, explaining that the reduction in the speed limit would be in accordance with Government guidelines. He told the meeting that the number of cars travelling up and down Trewithick Road, at speeds not at all suitable for an area surrounding a school, had increased dramatically over the past few weeks because of road works and road closure at Porthleven. Thankfully this had now ceased. It had been a very stressful time for parents, school staff and Governors who are worried enough by the everyday traffic speed and flow.

Mrs Overton asked about progress reference Bridleway 71 and requested that the Council did not forget it. It is being heavily used. It was agreed that the Police need to take action and that WPC Butcher should be contacted. Parents from Godolphin asked about the Play Area there. It has not been used for a while and they would like it to be re-opened. The Chairman asked them to meet with him, Cllr Greenstreet, the Regeneration people, other interested people and Mr McKenzie as there are Community Grants for Play Strategy available. Cllr Keeling will make contact and organise a meeting.

Mr Darby again asked about Trew Green. The Chairman stated that there was nothing to report as a meeting had not yet been arranged. Consequently, there was nothing to add.

Public Participation ended at 7.22 p.m.