

**DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS**  
**BREAGE ON TUESDAY 2 JUNE 2015 AT 7.00 P.M.**

Present: Cllr Mrs R Wyvern Batt (Chairman)  
 Cllr T Ackland  
 Cllr A Best  
 Cllr H Bradford  
 Cllr S Caddick  
 Cllr T Coleman  
 Cllr Mrs P Darby  
 Cllr P Greenough  
 Cllr G Higginson  
 Cllr Ms C Rashleigh

Cornwall Councillor J V Keeling MBE  
 Cornwall councillor P Martin

Mrs C Macleod (Clerk)  
 1 Member of the Public

The Chairman welcomed everyone, wished them a Good Evening and advised that the meeting would be voice recorded.

**1. FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

The Clerk read out the evacuation procedure

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr Higginson who was away after his daughter's wedding; Cllr Board who had been unwell and had family visiting and Cllr Davis who has sadly submitted his resignation.

**3. POLICE REPORT**

**a) To receive and discuss any police report received and other police matters**

The Clerk read out only part of the Police Report as a great deal of it was information that had been received in previous months. The full report is printed here:

'During May 2015, 9 crimes were reported. However, there are no crimes of particular note or concern.

'Across the Helston area, we have had a spike in vehicle thefts. Please remember to lock your cars and do NOT leave your keys inside. Also, don't leave any valuables inside if you can help it, or at the very least, not on display.

'We are in the process of trying to promote Farm Watch, this watch scheme is free to members. It is a way of passing information to members of incident and crimes aimed at farms. If anyone is interested in joining the scheme then please could they contact PCSO Julia Berry at Helston police station? On joining the scheme the member would receive an A3 placard displaying the farm watch logo as a deterrent to offenders. We also have marking kits for members to borrow in order for them to mark machinery.

**'Police team update.**

PC Rich Wearne has recently moved on from the Helston Neighbourhood team. He will be completing a 10 week training course after which, if he is successful, we will be looking for a replacement neighbourhood beat manager.

PCSO's Liam Brannigan and Ashley Fuller are now covering the patch of Porthleven and Helston North. Liam will take Porthleven as his priority and Ashley will take the rest as his. They will be assisted in the meantime by PC Anne Butcher who is currently the Neighbourhood beat manager for Helston town and the Lizard until a replacement for Richard is sorted after the completion of his course.

'If you would like to be able to view the crime statistics for the area of Breage then you can also view the Police website [police.uk](http://police.uk) and you can bring up full local statistics on there.

'If you have any crimes you would like to report please telephone 101, or should you have any concerns which you would like to discuss please call 101 and ask the call handler to email me your contact details. Alternatively, please email the team at [helston@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk](mailto:helston@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk).

'PCSO Ashley Fuller.

PCSO Liam Brannigan

Helston Police Station, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Basic Command Unit

Godolphin Road Helston Cornwall TR13 8QE

Emergency calls 999

Non-urgent calls 101

Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

[Helston@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Helston@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk)

[www.devon-cornwall.police.uk](http://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk)

Concern was expressed over the brief content of the report.

**b) Request to complete Questionnaire**

A questionnaire on the 'Existing Contact with your Local Policing Team consisting of 12 questions was worked through, answered by Councillors and completed by the Chairman. A copy of this was forwarded to Councillors after the meeting.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

a) Cllr Mrs T Board's permanent declaration of interest in accordance with LGA 2000: My beneficial interest in Breage Parish Council owned land registered V.G.621 Praa Green, is that my adjoining property has gate access.

**b) To note declarations of interest in accordance with LGA 2000 - Members and officers to declare non-registerable interests or disclosable pecuniary interests (including details thereof) in respect of any items on this agenda and unless you have the benefit of a current and relevant dispensation in relation to these items you must:**

- (i) not participate, or participate further, in any discussions of these items at the meeting;
- (ii) not participate in any vote, or further vote, taken on these items at the meeting; and

(iii) remove yourself from the meeting while any discussion or vote takes place on these items, to the extent that you are required to absent yourself in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders or other procedural rules.

Where a Member has a non-registerable interest in an item that does not benefit from a valid dispensation and that interest only arises from the Member's participation in or Membership of a body whose objects or purposes are charitable, philanthropic or otherwise for the benefit of the community the Member may, (with the permission of the Chairman of the meeting or until such time as the Chairman directs the Member to stop) address the meeting to provide such information as they reasonably consider might inform the debate and decision to be made before complying with b).

The Clerk declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in items 32, 33 and 34 as they were dealing with her pension.

c) **To take consideration of written requests for dispensations**

There were none.

d) **Members to give consideration as to whether their Register of Interest forms are fully up to date**

No changes were made.

5. **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 5 MAY 2015**

The Chairman led Members through each page of the minutes asking for accuracy corrections. **It was proposed by TB, seconded by TA and unanimously resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on 3 March 2015 be signed as a true and correct record. It was proposed by TA, seconded by SC and resolved with 2 abstentions as councillors had not attended the meeting, that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting 5 May 2015 be signed as a true and correct record.**

6. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman had attended the Godolphin Victory weekend on the Saturday and laid a wreath on behalf of Parishioners during the memorial service held at 2 p.m. She said the event had been a great success with lots of interest, wonderful displays and proceedings and very good weather. Mr Dunn and his helpers were to be congratulated.

7. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- a) **Each member of the public is entitled to speak once only in respect of business itemised on the agenda or in respect of something they wish to bring to the Parish Council's attention for inclusion on a future agenda and may speak for a period of time which is at the Chairman's discretion**
- b) **A question asked by a member of the public during this public participation session shall not require a response or debate**
- c) **The Chairman may direct that a response to a question posed by a member of the public be referred to a Councillor for oral response or to the Clerk for a written or oral response**
- d) **A record of the public participation session shall be included on a separate page in the minutes of the meeting**  
Public participation was to be held here from 7.13 but there was no-one wishing to partake.

8. **REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR**

Cllr Keeling's report had been circulated:

'The CEO Andrew Kerr, is leaving the authority after 18 months in the post. He gave reasons for accepting the Chief Executive post of Edinburgh City Council which was centred round his family circumstances. Nevertheless, during his time in Cornwall Council there have been some significant changes not to mention the restructuring of the top management with a much leaner team of 3 directors from the previous 5 incumbents. I am on the selection panel for a new CEO. Full council was somewhat chaotic with regards to the licensing of water sports activities on Cornwall Council owned beaches versus a flat rate approach for operators. I seconded an amendment to ask for a flat fee from all surf rather than licensing surf schools on the basis that we want to encourage growth within the industry rather than make it financially difficult for operators. Civic Awards (Local Heroes) were given out at a ceremony at County Hall to 14 recipients in recognition of their generosity in the voluntary community. I am always willing to receive nominations from within the community for the next round of awards. There was an all-member briefing on Environmental Services which covered a number of service areas which included amongst others; toilets, PROW and flooding issues. I once again highlighted the plight of those residents who suffer flood damage due to field run-off in rural areas and made a plea for more joined up thinking on the issue. Further to this the Scrutiny management committee, of which I hold membership, is conducting a "Select Committee" on all flooding matters affecting Cornwall. I was involved last week in reviewing the Council's "Whistle Blowing" policy which seeks to make it reasonable for employees of the council to speak out, without fear of reprisal, with regards to inappropriate and unlawful practises within the authority. Trying to keep abreast of various planning applications with the case officer(s) at the moment and there are a number of contentious proposals which need my attention. There were lot more meetings and activities during May and I offer my apologies in advance for next month parish council meetings; I am at Harrogate, LGA Conference, in my role as deputy leader of the Conservative Group for the biggest event of the Local Government Calendar. Should be a very interesting 3 day conference given the new government has only been in power for 50 days.'

Cllr Keeling agreed with the Parish Council's concerns re. the monthly Police Report. He said that 36 Affordable homes had been built in Breage since he had been a Cornwall Councillor. He had spoken with the planning applicant re. the Jobs Cottage application and had advised withdrawal and the submission of a preapp.

He introduced Cornwall Councillor Martin, who he had asked along to speak about the traffic problems being experienced at Sithney Common Hill.

Cllr Ackland asked if there had been any feedback re. The toilets at Praa Sands. JK said that a beach with 5,000 visitors and no toilets is unacceptable and he would continue to fight for the toilets to be kept open there.

Cllr Martin was asked to speak about Sithney Common Hill. He said he is a N Cornwall Councillor. He added that most of the councillors who had expressed concern were working together and pushing the matter on. He is disappointed that the primary negotiations took so long. The farmer had been prepared for the work to start earlier on but CC wished to wait for the legal side to be sorted first. There had been more slippage part way. He also expressed concern that machinery was sitting parked and this was being paid for. He wished for the moving on to be made an PM added that he and JK had been timing the travel from stopping at the lights to getting through and it averaged at about 7 minutes. He was afraid that people would need to live with the inconvenience. He was going to get it sorted out and moved on faster. Mike Peters had been contacted re.the machinery not being used.

It was asked if there was an idea of the completion time and it was felt that the worst would be August, September. It was asked if something like was done for Flora Day could be done for The Cudrose Air Day. Nothing had been planned but this could be looked at.

Further worry was expressed that people were leaving huge gaps between vehicles, adding to the length of the queues. It was felt by SC that the timing down the hill needed to be extended. It was confirmed that the 'dead period' both ends before the green light must be as long as it is for safety reasons.

The Chairman thanked Councillors Martin and Keeling for their time and input. They left at 7.32 p.m.

9. **PLANNING**

a) **TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL**

**PA15/03222 – Mr Alan Glover – Fernhill, Helston Road, Germoe, PENZANCE, Cornwall TR20 9AA**

Erection of a general purpose agricultural building

It was agreed that this is a large building but the height was lower than what is already there. Councillors had no problem with the building as it was to be agricultural and they had supported the previous application that had been the same as this one but felt that it should have a holding

number to support the use as a farm building. It was proposed by HB, seconded by PD that the application be supported but was voted against by 3 votes to 6. It was proposed by AB, seconded by TC and unanimously resolved that the application be supported on the basis that there is a holding number to support the use of a farm building.

**b) TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA UP TO 12 NOON ON 29 MAY 2015**

There were none.

**c) TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL OF CONDITIONAL PLANNING PERMISSION**

PA15/01536 – Mr Tim Stirrup, Pioneerebc – Tresabenn, Lower Kennegy Lane, Lower Kennegy, Rosudgeon, PENZANCE TR20 9AP

Demolition of existing farm building and replacement with new eco pottery studio

PA15/00949 – Annette Chessun – Wheal Vreagh Farm, Wheal Vor, Breage, Cornwall TR13 9NW

Conversion of a garage to an annexe

PA15/03733 – Mr & Mrs C Gates – 11 Forth Vein, Godolphin Cross, Helston, Cornwall TR13 9RH

Proposed raising of roof to create a further storey and associated works

**d) TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL OF APPROVAL OF A NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT**

PA15/03804 – Mr & Mrs C Lock – Westward Ho, Main Road, Ashton, HELSTON, Cornwall

Non-material amendment to PA14/01743 (construction of replacement dwelling and annexe with replacement septic tank) to bring the front wall of the annexe forward by 800mm and install patio doors on east and west elevations

**e) TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL OF REFUSAL OF OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION**

PA15/02679 – Mr Roger Fletcher – Land adj. Fuchsia Cottage, Rinsey Lane, Ashton, HELSTON, Cornwall

OUTLINE APPLICATION for the erection of two, three bedroom dwellings (one affordable) and associated works

**f) DECISION TO BE CONFIRMED BY PARISH COUNCIL**

PA15/03399 – Miss L Ryder – Dwelling Next To Jobs Cottage, Trew, Breage, HELSTON TR13 9NQ

Construction of replacement dwelling, altered access position, sewage treatment plants, associated works and new access

At the meeting on 7 April 2015, Breage Parish Council supported the application: *Councillors voted in support of the application. It was agreed that replacement is needed. Concern was expressed about the possible removal of a Cornish hedge to enable entrance.*

The following was received from the Planning Officer:

*I have had a look through the planning history but cannot see that there was ever a lawful dwelling in this location. The plans seem to show it as being within the curtilage of the dwelling of Jobs Cottage. The only planning history for the site relates to the erection of a porch, bathroom and W.C extension to the cottage under decision W2/62/14696/F. I cannot see any permission for alterations to this building or that it was used lawfully as a separate dwelling. If the applicants wish to pursue a replacement dwelling they would first need to demonstrate that the building is lawful through a certificate of lawfulness.*

*Notwithstanding this; the building has been significantly demolished such that there is hardly any structure left, the addition of the recent extension (PA14/04122) to the dwelling also seems to have resulted in encroachment onto its footprint and demolition of outer walls (which is noted on the approved plan as an outbuilding).*

*This application therefore needs to be considered in the context that it is a new dwelling that is located in a settlement with no facilities. Trew is a small hamlet in a linear arrangement with houses generally fronting the highway. The exception to this is the adjacent dwelling to the south which was granted permission in 1969 and 1971 which was considered under different planning policy.*

*The proposed siting does not relate well to the existing pattern of development such that it is considered that the site is not appropriate for an additional dwelling and will effectively comprise development in the countryside. In such cases paragraph 55 of the NPPF is most relevant which seeks sustainable development in rural areas. The proposal would not comprise any of the special exceptions to housing in the countryside and there is no compelling evidence that demonstrates a new dwelling would provide any overriding economic or community benefit, either within the immediate locality or to the services available further afield. As such in principle I cannot support this proposal.*

*Further to this the proposed dwelling is significantly larger than the building it is proposed to replace and is of a size and design such that it will dominate the adjacent cottage and be highly visible in this location. Its design is out of character with existing properties and as such it will cause adverse harm to the character and setting of the area in conflict with paragraphs 17, 56 and 61 of the NPPF.*

*Therefore at this time it would be my recommendation that the application be refused.*

*In accordance with the Protocol for Local Councils, you now have three options:*

1. *Agree with my recommendation.*
2. *Agree to disagree.*
3. *Maintain your objection to/support for the proposal against my recommendation and request committee consideration by the planning committee (which I will then discuss with the Divisional Member who may or may not agree with your view).*

*Please tell me which option you wish to choose within 5 working days from the date of this communication. If option 3 is selected, please note that the Protocol explains the importance of a representative from your council attending and speaking at the planning committee meeting so the committee can fully understand your council's reasons for proposing a decision which is contrary to that of the case officer.*

The Clerk contacted 7 of the 9 Councillors who had originally voted and they all wished to Agree with the Officer's recommendation 1. The Clerk informed the Planning Officer.

**To resolve to confirm that Breage Parish Council voted to Agree with the Officer's recommendation 1.**

After some discussion it was proposed by SC, seconded by PG and unanimously resolved to confirm that Breage Parish Council voted to Agree with the Officer's recommendation.

**g) TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF A PLANNING APPLICATION**

PA15/02486 – M2 Developments (Cornwall) Ltd – Land Adj To Trelyn, Vicarage Row, Breage, HELSTON, Cornwall

Construction of five houses and landscaping works to form village green

**10. FINANCE**

- a) **To resolve to pay the additional cost of £173.04 for the fitting of VAS base, Breage**
- b) **It was proposed by TC seconded by AB and unanimously resolved that Breage Parish Council will pay the additional cost of £173.04 for the fitting of VAS base, Breage.**

- c) **To resolve to approve Finance Regulations 6.6 use of a variable DDs for payments to British Telecom for telephone payments**

- d) **It was proposed by PG, seconded by PD and unanimously resolved to approve Finance Regulations 6.6 use of a variable DDs for payments to British Telecom for telephone payments.**

- e) **To resolve to approve June payments**

**PG confirmed that he had checked the payments and that the Clerk would add to this.**

**TA and PD declared non-registerable interests re. item 41 and did not vote on (i)**

PG explained about 42 and asked if the CAB numbers had come through. The Clerk declared that she had received them. This item was now just for the insurance for the Youth Group activities as no recording licences are needed. So although £300 had been originally awarded this has now been decreased to £174.86.

- (i) **Items 41 and 42 must be resolved thus: In pursuance of the power conferred by Local Government Act Miscellaneous Provisions 1972 Section 19 and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of this section the Council approves the following payments: items 41 and 42**

**It was proposed by PG, seconded by AB and resolved with 2 not voting that in pursuance of the power conferred by Local Government Act Miscellaneous Provisions 1972 Section 19 and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of this section the Council approves the following payments: items 41 and 42**

**(ii) All other payments to be resolved as normal payments**

The Clerk explained that item 37 had been entered without an amount. She gave the amount and the amended totals that PG had checked.

no.	Name	cheque	Service/item	Net	VAT	Total
34	BT	dd	Broadband	£72.00	£14.40	£86.40
35	BT	dd	Telephone	£19.46	£3.89	£23.35
36	e-on	dd	Electricity streetlights April			
37	Martin Luck Group Ltd	103534	Stationery/inks	£131.84	£26.37	£158.21
38	BT	dd	Mobile	£17.50	£3.50	£21.00
39	SW Water	dd	Water Parish Rooms	£13.72		£13.72
40	SW Water	dd	Water Cemetery	£13.72		£13.72
41	Carleen Village Hall		LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £800			
	2014/15 grant		storm drainage for Carleen Village Hall			
		103535	Invoice received	£800.00		£800.00
22	Godolphin Community Centre		Section 19 The Local Government			
	Cancelled		(Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976			
	no licences required	103521	Towards insurance and licences youth group	-£300.00		-£300.00
42	Godolphin Community Centre		Section 19 The Local Government			
			(Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976			
	no licences required	103436	Towards insurance youth group	£174.86		£174.86
43	British Gas	dd	Electricity Parish Rooms	£248.82	12.44	£261.26
47	R Sanders		2 cuts Cemetery/B&G greens/2 cuts Field			£0.00
		103437	Praa Green/triangle	£405.00		£405.00
48	R Sanders		Footpaths14/1, 21/1,21/4,22/2,22/2,36/1,39/2,40/1,			
		103438	46/1,52/1,61/2,65/1,76/1,82/1	£654.45		£654.45
				£2,251.37	£60.60	£2,311.97
32	Mrs C L Macleod	103532	Salary May			
33	PO Ltd (HMR&C)	103533	PAYE	£299.80		£299.80
33	PO Ltd (HMR&C)	103533	Employer's NI	£159.12		£159.12
				£458.92		£458.92
49	Mrs C L Macleod	103439	Travel 18.5mls @53p	£9.80		£9.80
			Parking	£0.60		£0.60
				£10.40		£10.40
50	Mrs C L Macleod	103440	Petty cash reimbursement	£122.06	£2.99	£125.05
51	P Treloar	103441	Caretaker salary May	£32.00		£32.00
				£2,874.75	£63.31	£2,938.06

It was proposed by PG, seconded by AB and unanimously resolved that the remaining payments amended as shown above be passed for payment.

**f) To acknowledge receipts**

Admin: £21.75; Ashton Community Association £65 Safety check  
These were acknowledged.

**g) Clerk to provide Bank balances**

As at 31 May 2015: Current Account reconciled: £4,520.46; Tracker Account: £42,085.14; Petty cash: £24.95; Total, including petty cash reimbursement: £46,755.60.

**11. FOOTPATHS**

The following matters were raised:

A previous enquiry about path 62 and the kissing gate: It was felt that little could be done.

Footpath 46 from the Old Coach Road, Breage, following up to Trew. The boardwalk that had been put in so that people do not have to walk in the muddy area has proved a problem for the footpath cutting contractor as no-one liaised with him. The boardwalk is not wide enough for him to get his mower across so he had to open the old, unofficial, dangerous path to get the mower through. PD has suggested that the contractor block off the path again as she had already received a complaint.

Footpath 64 – the end piece of the wall has got worse and it is leaning. An application order could be raised for the path to be redirected but this takes years to instigate. PD will ask Hamish Gordon to do a Health and Safety check and will meet with Hamish Gordon together with TC.

**12. HIGHWAYS**

- a) Damaged 30 m.p.h. sign Hendra Lane, Ashton - Highways Steward has been out and inspected the sign, and although there is superficial damage to one edge, it does not require replacing

TC said that the sign had been completely turned round by the impact and it was not understood why the Highway Steward had not noticed this. TC said that there were people working down there and he would see if he could get help to turn it back so it is the correct way round.

- b) TC - Thanks to the phone calls regarding the dangerous exit Trewithick Road due to the overgrown verge, this has now been cut down.

- c) CR – Bottom of Higher Road to Trevena, Breage. Request to cut verge but not to damage the area by the wall beyond the verge as this was damaged the previous time.

### 13. STREET LIGHTING

- a) **To resolve to accept quote of £1,166.38 + VAT for repairs: 086BA – Ashton – o/s Wols House – Lantern requires replacing; 087BA – Ashton o/s St Ritas – Lantern requires replacing; 009BA – Plexbo box is damaged and requires replacing. This does not include electricity charges**  
**It was proposed by TA, seconded by TB and unanimously resolved that the SSE quote of £1,166.38 + VAT for repairs: 086BA – Ashton – o/s Wols House – Lantern requires replacing; 087BA – Ashton o/s St Ritas – Lantern requires replacing; 009BA – Plexbo box is damaged and requires replacing be accepted. This does not include electricity charges.**

### 14. CEMETERY AND CLOSED GRAVEYARDS

- a) There are matters to be discussed in closed session

### 15. BUS SHELTER

Update

The Clerk reported:

- a) The Handyman is not permitted to fit the base as he is not accredited to excavate within the highway. If he was able the Parish Council would take on any liability should any problems arise from the installation.  
 b) The Clerk has requested a quote for the base installation from Cormac. and will need to obtain 2 more.  
 c) After much toing and froing the siting of the bus shelter has been amended, and agreed by all the parties involved, to the rear verge behind the footway. This will remove the need to have the footway moved. The shelter will open out to the path.  
 d) The Clerk has ordered the bus shelter – and installation can be in 6-8 weeks time provided the base has been installed.

### 16. TELEPHONE KIOSK CARLEEN

Update

The Clerk has received a letter from the Secretary of Carleen Village Hall confirming that the Hall has ownership of the land the kiosk is on and giving permission for the kiosk to remain there.

The paperwork for the adoption of the kiosk has been completed and a cheque has been sent in payment.

### 17. CARLEEN

- a) **NOTICE BOARD - To resolve to confirm that permission was given to make repairs to Carleen Notice Board : Backboard rotted/door warped**

The Clerk had asked for this to be permitted at the last meeting but confirmation needs to be given as the item was not on the agenda. The work has been carried for Health and Safety reasons.

**It was proposed by TA, seconded by PD and resolved with 1 abstention that it be confirmed that permission was given to make repairs to Carleen Notice Board : Backboard rotted/door warped**

### 18. PARISH ROOMS

- a) **To resolve to give permission for open notice boards to be tidied by painting or new back boards**

It was felt that painting would not resolve the problem. **It was proposed by TC, seconded by TA and unanimously resolved that new backboards be fitted to the two open notice boards at the Parish Rooms, Breage.**

### 19. REPLACEMENT OF MEMORIAL PLAQUE NANCEGOLLAN

**To discuss and resolve any further action**

The Chairman reported that she had not yet managed to get further with this. SC suggested that it be agreed that a plaque saying,

Rest awhile  
and remember  
Those of this Parish  
who served 1914-1918

**It was proposed by TC, seconded by HB and unanimously resolved that the necessary phone call be made by SC to obtain the needed information.**

### 20. PRAA SANDS

- a) Japanese knotweed Chy an Dour and Path 41. This has been reported.  
 b) Bunds not yet built.  
 c) Rabbit holes and yuccas not yet seen to. The Clerk received an e-mail the second week of May saying it would hopefully be done the following week.  
 d) Plastic fence not erected  
 The Handyman has not been able to deliver the posts. He has loaded them from the Parish Rooms and taken them down to the beach but he does not have a 4x4 vehicle to get them onto the sand. He has asked the RNLI but they cannot help because of insurance clauses.

### 21. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

To discuss the information regarding car parking costs/charges that has been received from Cornwall Council

PG - The Council asked about the total money received from and spent on car parks. He explained that there was a judgement a year ago saying it was reasonable for a Council to spend parking fee money on pot hole repairs and other minor highway maintenance. From the information received it can be seen that the money coming in is greater than the money going out on car parks.

It was noted by Council that a lot of the car parks in Cornwall are now private and have been taken over from Cornwall Council although the same people appear to be running them. No-one has noticed these car parks being advertised and offered for sale or to let. Reference was made to the recent error on the Helston car parks when new signs with new prices were installed but the machines had not been adjusted to take the new charges and for several weeks the machines were covered and no parking fees were paid. Business apparently improved in Helston during this free parking period.

### 22. CORNWALL AONB

**Request to complete questionnaire**

The Clerk reported that Cllr Board is happy to complete the questionnaire. **It was proposed by TC, seconded by TA and unanimously resolved that TB please complete the questionnaire.**

**23. COUNCILLOR'S CONCERNS****a) Freehold Title of Playing Field**

Concern was expressed by a Councillor that whilst former Councillors were saying that the deeds covenanted that the Playing Field should not be overlooked by houses, no covenant is shown on the copy obtained. PG suggested that if the planning application for the field next to the playing field collapses the Parish Council looks towards buying the field. It could be registered as a Community Asset and the money raised to buy it if the owner wishes to sell. TC felt that it may be too high a price. It was felt that the field is an asset and the Parish Council would not lose as the field would remain a Community Asset once registered.

**b) Coach Road out of Breage**

Concern about the brambles along this road was once again expressed. The Chairman reminded the Councillor that it is the wrong time of year to cut the hedges and that the landowners will trim them in the Autumn. The Councillor was advised not to use the road.

**24. REPORT FROM CLERK**

- a) PAT testing was carried out on 18<sup>th</sup> May – everything tested okay. This was not carried out on 8<sup>th</sup> May as the Electrician had been sent to the old Mortuary and had waited there for half an hour.
- b) Thanks for grants from:  
Breage Village Hall  
Cornwall Air Ambulance  
PSDCC  
Breage Snooker and Social Club who had sent in the invoice for the replacement windows s106 grant  
CAB Penzance
- c) Broadband is due for renewal. The Clerk had sent 2 updates for Councillors to consider. She asked for a decision as this needed to be urgently updated. **It was proposed by AB, seconded by PG and unanimously resolved that BT Business Infinity Unlimited £32 per month (excluding VAT), £29 with the £3 discount, be the new Broadband update – details as shown below:**
- Up to 38Mbps download speed / 9.5Mbps upload speed
  - Unlimited monthly data usage
  - Inclusive Microsoft Office 365
  - 24/7 technical support online or via 0800 800 152
  - Prompt Care - End of next working day fix, £25 goodwill payment if not met
  - Inclusive NEW BT Business Hub 5 (£8 delivery charge) if required
  - 10 'btconnect.com' email addresses and 50Mb web space
  - Unlimited use of over 5 million BT Wi-Fi hotspots
  - £3 discount per month off the above price with BT Business Complete
- d) E-mails had been received from the Secretary and Treasurer of the Ashton Amenity association Trustees. They are willing to pay the legal fees providing they have enough money remaining once they have paid their own. The Clerk requested permission to engage and instruct legal representation for the Parish Council. **It was proposed by PG, seconded by TC and unanimously resolved that the Trustees be asked to confirm:**

1. **That they are willing to pass ownership of the field to Breage Parish Council,**
2. **That they are prepared to turn over the deeds for the land,**
3. **That they are in favour of paying the legal fees (with their condition) and**
4. **That they will be instructing their solicitor to transfer the title deed to Breage Parish Council**

**The Clerk was instructed to contact the Parish Council's Legal representative and instruct him to await contact from the Trustees' Solicitor.**

- e) Rsn had sent a Rural Crime Survey with a request for the Parish Council to complete it. Council did not wish to do this.
- f) Cornish Constitutional Convention – Devolution for Cornwall: What future now. There is a presentation New County Hall, Truro 20 June, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- g) The Clerk reported that GH had kindly spent time to help remove some of the overflow of paperwork in the office, for which she was very grateful. He has said that he will give a couple of hours again in June. RWB had kindly burnt the sensitive paperwork that needed to be destroyed. The Clerk expressed her thanks.

**25. MEMBERS' REPORTS TO THE COUNCIL AND REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

SC concern about sewage pollution Praa Sands. 2 hours off high tide seems to be let loose further along Porthleven. It is not just discharge but is ongoing. It was asked if it could be cargo ships washing their waste tanks out. There was a lot of detergent with it last time. **It was proposed by TC, seconded by RWB that the Environment Agency be contacted regarding this.**

Carleen Village Hall PD reported: Flea Market on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> June; Soup and Pudding Lunch 19<sup>th</sup> June; Fun Quiz 20<sup>th</sup> June.

CR – Knotweed opposite the entrance to Trevena Nursery on the bend going up the hill. Closed Cemetery wall next to Breage House – the crack is getting worse.

TC – Thanks from Ashton Village Committee for the grant towards the PA system. Praa Sands Toilets still causing concern. It was wondered if any toilets had been closed at County Hall with a notice – Please use Supermarket across the road.

AB – Carleen cross roads – a van parked on the right making it difficult to see past. Councillor was asked to obtain vehicle registration.

TA – Thank you from Carleen Village Hall for the grant towards the water boiler and the drainage works.

PG – Godolphin pub if sold to the public shares will be offered at £50 a share.

**26. CORRESPONDENCE**

**The Clerk is no longer printing the correspondence. Please request if you require a copy of anything listed**

CC – Communities and Devolution – toilet tenders reminder

Helping Hands – dementia Helpline

Rsn – newsletter 11 May 2015

Rsn – Rural Vulnerability Service – Rural Transport May 2015

CPRE – Update Housing numbers in local plan

BF Adventure – Next 6 months events

Rsn – Spotlight on the Heart of the Village

Cornwall Armed Forces Day – Torpoint 20 June 2015

MEP – Out and about across the SW

Rsn newsletter 18 May 2015

Rsn – Rural Conference University of Gloucestershire 8 September 2015

PCDT – e-bulletin May 2015

CC Geoff Brown Member Homes and Communities – Library and One Stop Shops Consultation closes 10 June 2015

Cornwall Film Festival – Community News

Cornwall4Change – Update Case for Cornwall

Rsn – newsletter 26 May 2015

PCDT – PEAT project please vote  
 After Dark – Solar powered street lights  
 Rsn – Older people in Rural Areas  
 CC – Communities and Devolution

**To note any correspondence received since the agenda was published**

St Erth – Neighbourhood Plan News

Vital Venues – Newsletter

Cornish Constitutional Convention – Devolution for Cornwall meeting 20 June New County Hall, Truro, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**27. TO RECEIVE ADVANCE NOTICE OF ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

Pension

**28. TO CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

**ORDINARY PARISH MEETING TUESDAY 7 JULY 2015, AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE PARISH ROOMS**

This was confirmed

**29. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

To resolve that members of the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that the agenda items below be discussed, due to the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1, schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

It was proposed by RWB, seconded by PG and unanimously resolved that members of the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that the agenda items below be discussed, due to the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1, schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

The Member of the Public left.

**30. BREAGE CEMETERY**

**a) To discuss Solicitor's draft letter**

This was discussed.

**b) To resolve that the letter should be sent**

It was proposed by AB, seconded by PG and unanimously resolved that the letter be sent.

**31. SOLICITOR**

**To discuss concerns raised**

CR felt that there should be a change of solicitor as they were being very slow regarding the title deeds. All other Councillors disagreed.

The Clerk left the room.

**32. CLERK'S PENSION**

Staging date can be brought forward to an earlier point. Council will pay 3% contribution from start of pension.

Two delegates are needed in addition to primary contact are needed by NEST. RWB and HB volunteered to do this.

**33. PENSION SOFTWARE**

**a) To resolve to agree to purchase any necessary additional software regarding Pensions**

**34. CLERK'S GRATUITY**

Council will precept for Clerk's Gratuity: 3.75% x lower earnings limit x number of years service Final decision to pay will be taken on Clerk's retirement.

The Clerk returned and spoke regarding Cllr Davis' resignation that had been received verbally that day. **It was proposed by PG, seconded by RWB and unanimously resolved that a letter accepting with regret his resignation is sent to Ian Davis and that he should be thanked for the service he has given. A written confirmation of the resignation should be requested.**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.