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**MINUTES PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO SET THE PRECEPT/BUDGET FOR 2017/2018 HELD IN
 THE PARISH ROOMS BREAGE AT 7.00 PM ON THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2016**

Present: Cllr R Wyvern Batt (Chairman)
 Cllr T Ackland
 Cllr A J Best
 Cllr H Bradford
 Cllr Mrs T Board
 Cllr S Caddick
 Cllr T Coleman
 Cllr Mrs P Darby
 Cllr Mrs K La Borde
 Cllr C Ralph
 Cllr T Woodhams

Jon James
 Natural Environment Manager Cornwall Council

Mrs C Macleod (Clerk)
 1 Member of the Public

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting introducing Jon James and thanking him for attending, saying that he would speak at item 7b). She stated that the meeting would be recorded.

AGENDA

1. FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE

This was read out by the Clerk.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology had been received from CR as she had a sick pet at home that she did not wish to leave.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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).

TC, TA and PD declared non-registerable interests in regard to the grant awards item 7a). TC is a member of Ashton Village Committee, PD is BPC's representative on Carleen Village Hall Committee and TA is Chairman of the Committee.

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 updates were given.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

A question asked by a member of the public during this public participation session shall not require a response or debate

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

A record of the public participation session shall be included on a separate page in the minutes of the meeting

Public Participation was held here from 7.02 to 7.08 p.m.

5. PRAA SANDS TOILETS

Devolution Fund grant application

Notification was received on 17 November that the application had to be submitted by 23 November. An informal meeting was arranged for 18 November (After publication of this agenda) at which the Clerk would receive instruction from BPC.

(i) To report on the meeting

It was agreed at the meeting that the Devolution Fund grant application be re-written to include matters that the Network had requested. KLB and CMR agreed to do this on Monday 21st. The Clerk would then circulate the draft for Cllrs' approval before submitting the final application to Maxine Hardy. This had been done and 10 Councillors had given approval to the Clerk.

(ii) To confirm approval of the re-written Devolution Fund grant application and submission for consideration at the Community Network meeting on 7 December 2016

It was proposed by TC, seconded by AB that approval of the re-written Devolution Fund grant application by 10 Councillors be confirmed.

(iii) If necessary, following the meeting on 18 November, to resolve that the Praa Sands Toilet Committee Chairman attends the Community Network Meeting on 7 December 2016 to answer questions that may be asked

CMR and SC also volunteered to attend. It was proposed by AB, seconded by TC and unanimously resolved that KLB, SC and CM attend the Community Network Meeting on 7 December 2016 to answer questions that may be asked about the application.

6. ASHTON AMENITY FIELD

a) To consider the solicitor's letter regarding the searches that have been carried out and the replies to questions asked

b) To raise any concerns or questions and make any necessary resolutions re:

(i) The Sitecheck Assess Report

It was felt that the access to the Highway 2.1. was a little vague as there is no maintainable highway abutting the boundary. The road that abuts is not an adopted roadway just a side unmade road. Clarification should be sought.

It was noted that, according to the documents, the Woodland Trust, the original owners of the land, owns the dividing post and rail fence 50/50 with the Trustees. A Councillor has spoken with the current owner of the land and he would have no difficulty with sharing maintenance of the fence. Would the fence be in this person's ownership as he has purchased the land? The ownership needs to be checked.

(ii) The drainage

No problems.

(iii) The mines

2 mines there that have been capped, 2 lodes and the disturbance within 25m were noted and the overhead power lines were noted but BPC had no problems with this.

(iv) Any other matters

It was noted that the original transfer document was witnessed by Cornwall Cllr John Keeling. It was stated that John Keeling should not therefore partake in any of the arrangements as he would have an interest. This to be checked.

It was asked if the vehicular access to that owner's land across the Amenity Area entrance is still for agricultural use only.

c) Chancel repairs

(i) To resolve whether an insurance policy should be taken to cover the possibility that some time in the future the PC may be required to pay towards the costs of repairs to the chancel

There would obviously be an obligation to contribute. This was discussed and it appears that it is relatively simple and not too costly to obtain insurance should Council feel it to be necessary.

(ii) If an insurance policy is required – to resolve what level of indemnity to choose

This to be decided nearer the time.

The Clerk was asked to check these matters with the Solicitor.

7. FINANCE

a) To consider the Accounts Team's recommendations for grants for the Financial Year 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018 and resolve whether they should be awarded

1. A straightforward grant was **not** recommended for * Godolphin Cross Community Association. The Accounts Team recommends that the Parish Council should pay the final £1,500 once the remainder of the money has been raised.
2. Praa Sands Public Access Defibrillator Fund had requested a £100 grant towards a third defibrillator for Praa sands. It was recommended by the Accounts Team that this should **not** be awarded as £200 had been awarded towards defibrillators at Praa Sands last year.
3. Ashton Village Committee had requested a grant towards lighting for the marquees. The Accounts Team recommended a grant of £350 and that the Parish Council be invoiced.
4. A request had not been received from CRUSE at the time of the Accounts Team meeting but came the following day. Council may wish to consider a £50 ** s137 grant for help for bereaved Breage Parishioners.

The Accounts Team's recommendations:

It is recommended that relevant invoices are seen to cover awarded grants before the grants are paid. **To resolve that this be so.**

It was proposed by TA, seconded by RWB and unanimously resolved that relevant invoices are seen to cover awarded grants before the grants are paid

(i) **It was proposed by TA, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved that the grant (i) should read that £1,500 would be paid once £88,500 had been raised.*LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £1,500 to be paid to Godolphin Cross Community Association as the final amount of the money to be raised towards the purchase of Godolphin Chapel, i.e. once £88,500 has been raised. TA said that the recommendation was that £1,500 was to be paid once £88,500 had been raised. It was proposed by TW, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved that an LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £1,500 to be paid to Godolphin Cross Community Association as the final amount of the money to be raised towards the purchase of Godolphin Chapel, i.e. once £88,500 has been raised. It was also stated that Breage Parish Council supports the ambitions of Godolphin Cross Community Association in its fund raising activities.**

The following to be paid after 1 May 2017:

TC left the room.

(ii) LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £350 towards lights for marquee for Ashton Village Committee. Parish Council offers to be invoiced

It was proposed by TA, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that a LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £350 towards lights for a marquee be awarded for Ashton Village and that Breage Parish Council offers to pay the invoice.

TC returned.

(iii) LGA 1972 s145 grant of £500 towards running costs for Breage and District Silver Band

(iv) It was asked what the grant was towards. It was listed as teaching of young people, instruments, music, playing at Parish functions, etc. SC - £800 was originally requested. The Band does a marvellous job with young people, introducing them to music. He felt that the grant should be £800. **It was proposed by TB, second by AB and unanimously resolved that an LGA 1972 s145 grant of £500 towards running costs be awarded to Breage and District Silver Band.** RWB declared an interest in the next item and left the room as she is the Parish Council's representative on the Breage Village Hall Committee.

(v) LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £500 towards insulation for Breage Village Hall

CMR commented that the amount is half of what the Hall had requested and the reserves are very low compared to the other Village Halls. **It was proposed by CMR, seconded by TW and unanimously resolved by 7 votes to 3 by voting Councillors that an LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £750 towards insulation be awarded to Breage Village Hall.**

RWB returned.

TA and PD left the room.

(vi) LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £500 towards replacement tables for Carleen Village Hall

It was proposed by TB, seconded by AB and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that an LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £500 towards replacement tables be awarded to Carleen Village Hall.

TA and PD returned.

(vii) LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £500 towards replacement rendering for Praa Sands and District Community Centre

It was proposed by TW, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved that an LGA 1976 MP s19 grant of £500 towards replacement rendering be awarded to Praa Sands and District Community Centre.

(viii) S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £75 towards teaching aid and end of year gift for Breage and Godolphin Schools via Foot's Charities
CMR was concerned that the PC needed to be independent on religious grounds and the gifts were Christian. SC felt that it was not discrimination because there had only been the one application - no other religions had applied. It was agreed that this was a tradition but it was felt that the leaving gifts should not focus on one religion. **It was proposed by SC, seconded by AB and unanimously resolved that an S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £75 towards teaching aid and end of year gift for Breage and Godolphin Schools via Foot's Charities be awarded stating that the leaving gifts should not focus on one religion.**

(ix) S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £90 for the Royal British Legion towards poppy wreaths for the Remembrance Sunday Service 2017 and s145 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £50 towards the cost of Breage Band playing at the service

It was proposed by TC, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved that an S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £90 for the Royal British Legion towards poppy wreaths for the Remembrance Sunday Service 2017 and an s145 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £50 towards the cost of Breage Band playing at the service be awarded.

(x) Part 1 s2 Parish Councils Act 1957 Ch42, grant of £50 for Breage Parochial Church Council towards maintenance of Village clock

It was proposed by TB, second by TA and unanimously resolved that a Part 1 s2 Parish Councils Act 1957 Ch42, grant of £50 be awarded to Breage Parochial Church Council towards maintenance of Village clock

(xi) S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £250 to Cornwall Air Ambulance towards assistance for Parishioners needing aid

It was proposed by TA, seconded by KLB and unanimously resolved that an S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £250 be awarded to Cornwall Air Ambulance towards assistance for Breage Parishioners needing aid.

(xii) S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £50 to Cornwall Victim Support to help Breage Parishioners needing support

It was proposed by TC, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved that an S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £50 be awarded to Cornwall Victim Support to help Breage Parishioners needing support.

(xiii) S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £50 to CAB Cornwall to help Breage Parishioners

It was proposed by TB, seconded by PD and unanimously resolved that an S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £50 be awarded to CAB Cornwall to help Breage Parishioners.

** (xiv) S137 The Local Government Act 1972 grant of £50 to CRUSE to help bereaved Breage Parishioners

It was proposed by RWB, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved that an S137 The Local Government Act 1972 grant of £50 be awarded to CRUSE to help bereaved Breage Parishioners.

(xv) S137 and other grants - £100 towards emergency grants during year

It was proposed by TB, seconded by AB and unanimously resolved that £100 be allocated towards emergency S137 and other grants during year.

(xvi) Any other grants the Parish Council wishes to add

There were none.

b) To consider and discuss the Accounts Team's recommendations for the Parish Council Precept/Budget for the Financial Year 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018

The Chairman invited Jon James to speak at this point:

JJ spoke about the TAW agreement and understood BPC's ongoing concerns re. costs before a full lease was taken on. He wished to confirm that there is now no CC funding at all for the running of toilets. If the PC's decision is to hand back the toilets to CC, CC could not continue to fund them.

He realised that the high cost of collection and disposal of waste costs at Praa Sands is the main problem and it needed to be looked at and the market tested for a more cost effective solution. He asked if the market could be tested and costed. C amounts given are now correct and so the costs are correct. As it is known, there is no drainage field. If negotiation with the landowners is possible CC would support a capital outlay of £15,000 to £20,000 towards that, if it is the best solution. This would depend on whether the land is accessible and if the land is suitable. The actual cost of a drainage field would need to be assessed. JJ understood that the collection/disposal of waste and felt that the costs should be looked at Talks with the land owner of the car park would need to be negotiated and trial pit percolation tests carried out. JJ happy to look into this and look at how best to support BPC. The Clerk explained that she had already asked for quotes for waste collection and disposal. These would be discussed at the December Parish Council meeting with a view to a start on 1 January 2017. Daymer Bay was spoken about and costs for a trial pit there. JJ said that the costs of trial pits would be covered by CC.

It was asked how long this would take and how soon negotiations could start? There had been a tentative approach to the owner regarding the possibility of a soakaway under the car park but no money had been discussed. JJ's colleague in property would need to look into this so it would be a joint venture between CC/BPC and Property Services. It was asked if the proposition for capital funding would be taken forward and JJ confirmed that it would. It was asked if this turned out not to be viable what would the position then be? JJ – the toilets would be closed down until a decision was made. TW – The catchment tank is unique to the County. Is capital available to correct the tank? JJ - There is no revenue budget. SC asked about the change in Environmental Policy. Suitable land accessed geographically off the beach and a soakaway where filtration doesn't go into the sea. AB felt that the problems should have been pointed out 4 years ago. JJ – there was no solution then, no willingness. SC there is a treatment facility in Porthleven the waste need not go all the way to St Erth.. HB What has been discussed may or may not be suitable but things need to move forward. TW felt JJ had explained matters very well. The Parish Council precept for the toilets is already in place so there is a breathing space for percolation and engineering feasibility tests.

TW proposed that the figure of £29,505, being the indicative figure in the precept for the ongoing support of Praa Sands Toilets for the year 2017/2018 be approved and placed in an allocated reserve capital fund created for this purpose. This to remain until such time as Cornwall Council indicates that clear engineering, administration and financial support is in place to mitigate the cost of treatment/removal of grey water and sewage. Such a scheme being proposed shall be approved by Breage Parish Council prior to the release of the allocated reserve fund. Should the scheme not come to fruition, the capital fund will be re-allocated to the general reserve at the November 2017 precept allocation meeting. LGA 1972 sch 13 para 15116 Public Health Act 1936 s87. CC in conjunction with BPC will work to get matters sorted and a decision by 1 April 2017. This was seconded by CR and unanimously resolved.

1. The actuality of a Council Tax Support Grant had not been considered at the Accounts Team meeting but this will now be available

To resolve whether the £3,000 Council Tax Support Grant should be deducted from the Precept figure

It was proposed by TC, seconded by CMR and unanimously resolved that the grant not be deducted from the Precept figure.

NB. Item 2 now being irrelevant to discussion was not discussed.

2. 3 Members of the Account Team felt that they could not recommend the figures shown for Praa Sands Toilets

(i) To discuss

(ii) To consider and resolve whether BPC should continue to have responsibility for Praa Sands Toilets from April 2017

(iii) To resolve to amend if necessary the figures shown for Praa Sands Toilets

3. Members will now be given the opportunity to individually raise, in turn, matters for any other items shown on the Precept/Budget listings

CMR questioned the stationery figure. It was explained that all the Planning application have to be printed and paper and inks for the new machine are included.

TW expressed concern over a reserve of £41,000 that he considered to be an incredible amount. He said that next year the precept would be capped at 2% under referendum. The money should be wisely spent. He asked about the Praa Sands s106. This was the remainder from the flats that were built there.

(i) Praa Green additional paths and bracken cutting. This has been authorised in 2016 for one cut but the £800 for ongoing care should be discussed.

To resolve that £800 will be put into the budget for ongoing cutting of additional paths and bracken area at Praa Green

TB – The acreage there has been neglected. The only access is by the Coastal path. The Green is important to Parishioners and other regulars – a flat area once used for cricket/football/kites is now used for walking dogs. It needs better care. TC - It is a lovely place and deserves more care. It is used by SW coat walkers. The Pampas Grass is dreadful. TW explained that the Bylaws and rules allow for the pampas grass to be removed and for the Parish Council to authorise the burning of such where it is removed, thus allowing a vehicle on the Green if it has the Parish Council's permission. An increase in the allocated amount was suggested. **It was proposed by TC, seconded by RWB and unanimously resolved that the amount allocated for the additional cutting of Praa Green be increased from £800 to £1,000.**

(ii) To resolve to apply any further requested amendments/additions

SC asked that the additional defibrillator for Praa Sands be considered. Praa Sands is a large area and there is not a defibrillator near the Post Office. **It was proposed by CMR, seconded by TW and resolved by 7 votes to 3 that an S137 The Local Governments Act 1972 grant of £100 be awarded for the Praa Sands Community towards a defibrillator at the Post Office, Praa Sands.**

(iii) To resolve that the Precept be raised by £2,000 (recommended by the Accounts Team) or other amount to ease the estimated decrease in receipts and increase in payments

It was now deemed unnecessary to do this. **It was proposed by KLB, seconded by RWB and unanimously resolved that the Precept remain the same as 2016/17, £74,500.**

After all amendments have been made:

c) To set the Parish Council Precept for the Financial Year 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018

It was proposed by TW, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved that the 2017/2018 Precept for Breage Parish Council be set at £74,500 against an expected expenditure of £101,810 with the difference being met from Parish balances and expected income.

The amended details are listed below:

RECEIPTS	2015/2016	2016/2017	2016/2017	
	Actuals	Budget/ Precept	Actuals to 30 Sept	Precept 2017/2018
Precept	£49,000.00	£74,500.00	£74,500.00	£74,500.00
Council Tax Support grant	£3,618.79	£3,293.00	£2,822.52	£3,040.82
Breage Cemetery	£1,409.00	£1,800.00	£2,197.00	£1,800.00
General Admin	£118.15	£60.00	£34.00	£60.00
Grants & donations Paperless Planning*	£700.00		£45.00	
Footpaths repayment from CC LMP	£3,273.00	£3,273.00		£3,600.00
Footpaths repayment from CC SWCP	£1,670.98	£1,670.98		£1,670.98
Breage Allotment Growers Closure	£1,228.28			
Bank Interest	£21.22	£18.00	£13.53	£0.00
TOTAL INCOME	£61,039.42	£84,614.98	£79,612.05	£86,671.80
VAT (recovered)	£4,103.01	£2,800.00		£6,000.00
	£65,142.43	£87,414.98	£79,612.05	£92,671.80
PAYMENTS				
Administration	Actuals	Budget	Actuals	
Salaries	£21,233.57	£21,780.00	£11,726.95	£22,000.00
Pension Employer	£335.18	£440.00	£260.88	£440.00
Clerk absence Provision	vire to salaries	£1,500.00		
Expenses				
Councillors/Clerk Travel Expenses	£170.56	£150.00	£100.15	£200.00
Employer's National Insurance	£1,750.49	£1,800.00	£1,083.26	£1,800.00
Councillor and/or Clerk Training	£8.33	£500.00	£40.00	£500.00
Bank charges		£30.00		£30.00
Audit Commission/Internal Audit	£450.00	£550.00	£450.00	£550.00
Insurance	£909.43	£950.00	£894.44	£900.00
Stationery/Postage/Sundry office exp.	£1,566.74	£2,500.00	£928.34	£2,500.00
Subscriptions (CALC, Open Spaces etc)	£927.97	£900.00	£943.61	£950.00
Advertising & Website	£105.00	£300.00	£79.24	£200.00
Solicitors	£300.00	£500.00	£23.42	£500.00
Election/Referendum Provision		£3,500.00		£4,000.00
Parish Rooms				
Electricity	£764.27	£780.00	£422.34	£800.00
Telephone	£462.51	£480.00	£221.74	£480.00
Water	£60.58	£60.00	£24.23	£50.00
Maintenance/Repairs/Renewals/Electrics	£2,049.47	£1,400.00	£1,005.37	£2,000.00
Rates	£326.40	£350.00	£329.12	£350.00
Equipment for Paperless Planning *				
General Maintenance, Repairs, Cleaning				
Notice Boards/Benches/Signs/Fences/Phone box	£676.75	£1,000.00	£59.85	£1,000.00
Bus shelters	£741.62	£500.00	£480.34	£670.00
Cemetery	£459.46	£1,250.00	£554.29	£1,000.00
Open Spaces Provision			£70.00	
Praa Sands	£462.98	£500.00	£15.00	£500.00
Praa Sands Reserved allocation	£28.00			
Praa Sands additional path and bracken				£1,000.00
Other Expenditure				
Praa Sands Toilets	£105.00	£25,000.00		
Tank emptying/disposal			£8,370.58	£19,800.00
Cleaning			£1,249.12	£6,350.00

Rates			£593.80	£1,334.00
Water			£504.54	£900.00
Repairs and toilet unblocking			£81.28	£880.00
Electricity			£59.98	£240.00
Rent				£1.00

Street Lighting

Routine Maintenance	£551.64	£600.00	£137.91	£600.00
Non-routine Maintenance	£1,903.96	£4,000.00	£1,559.88	£3,000.00
Electricity	£3,096.20	£3,200.00	£1,275.75	£3,200.00
Contracts Grass	£3,565.00	£3,700.00	£1,800.00	£3,700.00
Ashton Field grass cutting		£1,800.00		£1,900.00
Contracts Footpaths	£3,646.16	£4,000.00	£1,889.93	£4,000.00
South West Coastal Path	£1,670.98	£1,920.00	£1,354.31	£1,920.00
Amenity Areas	£122.00	£100.00	£207.50	£700.00
Grants s137 2015/16	£525.00	£740.00	£400.00	£665.00
Other grants/donations previous year	£800.00			
Other grants/donations 2016/17	£4,224.86	£1,947.60	£1,300.00	£4,200.00
Emergency Grant 2016/17 paid now	£497.60			

Capital Expenditure

Disability discrimination

Contingencies (i.e. late Precept)

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£54,497.71	£88,727.60	£40,497.15	£95,810.00
VAT (paid)	£4,103.01	£2,800.00	£4,095.44	£6,000.00
TOTAL plus VAT	£58,600.72	£91,527.60	£44,592.59	£101,810.00

Reserve allocation outstanding

Praa Sands s106	£1,240.00
Praa Sands fence	£154.36
Cemetery (gift)	£130.07
N/461 donations	£5.00
Paperless Planning grant	£410.18
VAS socket Breage	£1,173.04
BAG Closure for Ashton Field	£1,273.28
	£4,400.93

Capital expenses

none

More than previous year

Less than previous year

8. TO RECEIVE ADVANCE NOTICE OF ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Praa Sands Toilets Lease; Ashton Amenity Field

9. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS/EVENTS

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 6 December 2016, in the Parish Rooms, Breage at 7.00 p.m.;

Christmas Meal for those who have booked Thursday 15 December 2016 at 7.00 p.m., The Queens Arms, Breage;

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 10 January 2017, (NB second Tuesday), in the Parish Rooms, Breage at 7.00 p.m.

BREAGE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HELD DURING THE PRECEPT/BUDGET PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS BREAGE ON THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2016

At 7.02 p.m. the Chairman closed the meeting and 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.

A business owner from Praa Sands spoke about the Toilets saying they are absolutely essential for the village and Breage Parish. The beach is a major beach and Breage benefits from this; the businesses and holiday lets. Closure would severely impact on the businesses. They felt it is the PC's responsibility to keep the toilets open. They spoke about the ways of raising money to keep them open. They believed that some Members had raised question as to why the businesses had not made any contribution. They said that the businesses would not contribute unless there is a commitment. They were willing to give £3,000 towards improvement, not maintenance if there is confidence to go ahead and keep the toilets open. They felt that Members should resign if they were not prepared to commit.

Public Participation ended at 7.08 p.m.