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**MINUTES ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS**  
**BREAGE ON TUESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 7.00 P.M.**

Present: Cllr Mrs R Wyvern Batt (Chairman)

Cllr T Ackland

Cllr A Best

Cllr Mrs T Board

Cllr S Caddick

Cllr T Coleman

Cllr P Greenough

Cllr G Higginson

Cllr Ms C Rashleigh

Cornwall Councillor J V Keeling MBE

13 Members of the Public

The Clerk had been taken ill prior to the meeting and so was not in attendance. There are consequently gaps in the minutes that will have a question mark attached. The Chairman welcomed everyone, wished them a Good Evening, thanked them for coming and advised that the meeting would be voice recorded.

**1. FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

This was read out by the Chairman.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies had been received from PD who was on holiday and HB who was also on holiday.

**3. 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).**

AB declared a pecuniary interest in item 16. c) as he is Chairman of Porthleven Gig Club.

**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**

Nothing was declared.

**4. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 4 AUGUST 2015**

The Chairman led Members through each page of the minutes asking for accuracy corrections.

**No corrections were needed. It was proposed by TB, seconded by TB and unanimously resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting 4 August 2015 be signed as a true and correct record but that the signature is completed at a later stage.**

**5. POLICE REPORT**

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

The Chairman could not put her hand to the Police Report at this stage and it was therefore read out before item 9.

**6. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman congratulated TB on her excellent report re. Cornwall Beach and Dune Management Plans and thanked her for the taking the time to do this.

**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 held here from ? to 7.24 p.m.

## 8. TO CONSIDER CO-OPTION OF A NEW MEMBER OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

A vacancy exists to replace Ian Davis

- a) **An application has been received from Mrs Karen La Borde which will be read out by the Clerk and Mrs La Borde will be given the opportunity to add any further details or to ask any questions. Members will be invited to ask questions**

In the Clerk's absence, PG read out KLB's application:

*I would like to be considered for the casual vacancy of Parish councillor for Breage Parish Council.*

*My name is Karen La Borde and I have lived in the parish along with my husband and children for 10 years, firstly at Lesceave and now in Praa Sands.*

*I am a working director of a small business which sells ski and snowboard instructor training courses worldwide. The company is run from my house in Praa Sands and currently employs 6 people – three based in Praa Sands and three throughout the UK.*

*I am an enthusiastic local historian and have recently completed a research degree (Mphil) at the University of Birmingham. The subject of my research was the civil war, decorative art and the castles of Pengersick and St Michael's Mount – a rather broad canvas but very interesting if you are in to that sort of thing! I am also a local volunteer for the National Trust at Godolphin House and am currently involved in devising and delivering 'Tudor' walks of the estate, Godolphin Hill and surrounding area. These will be on going during the National Trust's month of 'The Great British Walk' due to take place in September and October 2015.*

*I would like to become involved with my local parish council in order to help protect our local community and environment. We are very lucky here in Praa Sands to still have a shop, post office, café and pub and I want to see that continue not only for the local residents, the businesses themselves but for visitors too.*

*This last year I was concerned about the newly installed sea armour on the beach at Praa Sands and contacted numerous agencies as well as our local councillor to understand the particular issues surrounding this development. I wrote to DEFRA and the Environment Agency and spoke to Cornwall council officers explaining the problems about beach access and unstable stonework, and was pleased when the contractors returned to rebuild the armour.*

*Recently, I have been invited to sit on the West Cornwall Local Action Group, which has been created to allocate European funding to small and medium sized businesses in Cornwall. In this group I hope to represent smaller, local businesses which have specific requirements that may not always be met by a tourist led economy.*

*I do hope you will consider me for the vacancy of parish councillor as I believe I have a lot to offer. I have a good understanding of the local environment, am keen to become involved in local issues and have determination to protect and improve the place and community in which I live.*

There were no Members' questions. Comment was made that it is warming that a Praa Sands Parishioner is eager and willing to give their time.

**It was proposed by AB, seconded by PG and unanimously resolved that Mrs Karen La Borde be co-opted as a Member of Breage Parish Council.**

- b) **If a co-option takes place, a Declaration of Acceptance of Office will be completed, signed and read out by the new Councillor and countersigned by the Clerk. The new Councillor will be permitted to vote on all further Council matters but must declare any relevant interests**

A Declaration of Acceptance of Office was completed, signed and read out by Cllr La Borde and countersigned by the Chairman in the absence of the Clerk. Mrs La Borde did not declare any interests. She was advised to abstain on the Planning Application voting as she had not viewed the planning applications.

## 5. POLICE REPORT

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

The Vice-Chairman read out the following report:

'There were a total of 6 crimes generated in this area.

'There was a total of 21 logs generated in this area.

### 'Polite Notice

Whilst out on patrol in this area I have noted and given words of advice to members of the community that do not wear their seat belts.

Failing to wear a seatbelt is still one of the primary contributors to sustaining injury in a collision.

Of the "Fatal Four" main causes of serious injuries and deaths on the region's roads, failure to wear a seatbelt is the third most significant. The others are excessive or inappropriate speed, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and driver distraction such as using a mobile phone while on the move.

'It is now over 30 years since wearing seatbelts in the front seats of cars and other vehicles was made compulsory (1983), and 24 years since it became law for rear seat passengers to belt up.

'It is important that not only the driver but every passenger in a vehicle uses a seat belt when and where required. Drivers place themselves, their passengers, other road users and pedestrians in danger by not belting up.

'If you are caught driving or as a passenger without a seatbelt on, you can receive a fixed fine of £100 or possibly be referred to an educative course. If prosecuted in court, the maximum fine is £5,000.

'You will find more information about seatbelts, including government legislation and guidelines, on the Devon and Cornwall Police website at [www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/Traffic/RoadSafetyAdvice](http://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/Traffic/RoadSafetyAdvice)

### 'Police team update.

'We are pleased to announce that PC Andy Weir is joining Helston Police Neighbourhood team as from September 2015. As Riche Wearne's replacement, he will be joining Ann Butcher as a Neighbourhood Beat Manager.

'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 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.

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)'

TA asked why the crimes were not described and CR why the villages in which they happened were not named. PG explained that this information is no longer provided.

## 9. REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR

Cllr JK congratulated the West Cornwall Action Group and then gave the following report:

'An unusually quiet month, despite it being a holiday period and very few meetings held at County Hall. Still I have been kept busy with local issues such as speeding through our villages and the ongoing issue of the toilets at Praa Sands and the proposed withdrawal of funding in April next year and subsequent closure, which to my mind is unthinkable. He added that he is very critical of CC's handling of this and he will continue to lobby. The Ashton application for affordable housing will be vigorously looked at and will go to the full Planning Committee.

'Cornwall Council will shortly be launching two different trial initiatives that will help reduce rubbish and improve recycling services across Cornwall. The trials are called 'The pots, tubs and trays recycling trial' and 'The waste incentive neighbourhood scheme'

In Breage Parish a pilot of the 'pots, tubs and trays recycling trial' will be run in Ashton and Breage.

(The Clerk had received notice of the Trial: What is the pots, tubs and trays recycling trial?)

- *Plastic pots, tubs and trays make up a large proportion of our household rubbish and we currently can't recycle them. We want to see how much we can recycle if we could.*
- *We currently only collect plastic bottles in the collection service, along with the other materials such as paper, cardboard, cans/tins, glass and textiles.*
- *Only 46,000 properties are included in the trial including some properties in your area. Every household included will receive a leaflet through their door. If you don't receive a leaflet you are not in the trial and should not start putting these items out.*
- *We will also be sending you additional information nearer to the start of the scheme.*

*In other parts of Cornwall we are inviting a number of town and parishes to take part in the 'waste incentive neighbourhood scheme'.*

*This scheme is about town and parish councils submitting ideas on how to reduce the amount of rubbish in their area.*

*At the end of both of these trials we will compare the results to see if the pilots are successful in reducing Cornwall's rubbish.)*

*'There had been an emergency debate re. the Refugee Crisis with CC agreeing to take 20,000 people.*

The Helston Railway planning application refused recently as lodged an appeal and will be decided on the basis of an exchange of written statements by parties and a visit by an inspector. All representations must be received by 8<sup>th</sup> September. Not much more to add really but the forthcoming months are envisaged to be hectic with service area reviews and the setting of the 2016/17 budget.'

Cllr JK also spoke about item 16. Toilets - On 28<sup>th</sup> of this month he will attend the meeting the licensing for water based activities on Council owned beaches whereby businesses which provide surfing, canoeing, kayaking and other water based activities from Council owned beaches are being offered the chance to apply for a licence to operate from the beach for a three year period. He is not impressed with this.

Ross Beard is in Treliske. JK would try to pop in and see him.

JK was thanked by the Chairman.

GH asked, 'How can Highways have it so wrong regarding PA15/07005 and the small road?' JK totally agreed and will be talking to the Highways Officer. He will represent the Parish.

TA Toilets, Council knows that JK is fighting to keep them open. There have been 3 lots of costing figures from CC and all differ. Can anything be done under Health and Hygiene? It is obviously ridiculous to close them. Surely CC can save money in another area and save the toilets.

GH People at his caravan park are spending £10 a day car parking. There will be a huge loss of revenue if the tourists stop going to Praa Sands.. The running cost of toilet s is nothing to what will be lost if the toilets are closed.

JK was asked if he would be remaining at the meeting for the item on the toilets and he said that he would.

PG had investigated the Public Health issue. There is a large budget but large budget but it is ring fenced so it looks like there would be no help there..

TB said that there used to be money in the slot when her son was cleaning the toilets and was paid £100 a month for 1 hour a day in the 1970s. Money is being raised at other toilet blocks in other Parishes/Towns by money in the slot.

## 10. PLANNING

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

#### **PA15/07005 – Mr E Sharp – Land Adj To Grenville House, Fore Street, Ashton, Cornwall TR13 9RW**

Construction of eleven dwellings comprising of seven affordable and four open market dwellings

It was felt that there would be a huge problem regarding the access and overdevelopment. Totally agreed with the public and appreciate that they have attended. TC cannot understand how 11 houses would fit in. He too felt that the access would cause problems. The actual Tregonning Close is not on the plans. TB additional traffic going up the small lane is not going to work. The land is referred to as derelict and it was in 1987 but almost 30 years on it is attached to the house and access is maintained, the grass cut and a caravan is there. Boundary wall and verge were altered and the plot behind given an opening. The ownership ends at the end of Tregonning Close, a wider road but this leads into Prospect Row, an old road built for miners' cottages. Turning left there is no passing place, one width traffic. The access ramp to a garage on the west side actually commences in the road. No parking is permitted in Tregonning Close which could be detrimental to the proposed Estate where more parking would be needed. The effect on the established users to and from Higher Row, Pryor's Row, Middle Row, and Prospect Row and the residents would create an intolerable situation of congestion and restricted visibility with nowhere to go. This would affect the present harmony existing in the community. The site is felt not to be in an appropriate place for development. Its value is in the contribution as a Greenfield Site within the World Heritage Site.

PG Several affordable sites in Ashton were approved by PC/CC and inhabitants – this is not one of sites. There have been no discussions with the local community or the Parish Council. No community support can be claimed. Parking on Prospect Row has already increased of late. It is important that the Green buffer - between Grenville House and Penhale Jakes – be kept.

The following was read out by the Vice-Chairman on behalf of the Chairman:

'As Chairman, I have determined, after advice from CC Legal, that the following statement, which to the best of his knowledge is accurate and reflects the views of those he is representing in Ashton, may be read out by the Clerk at this point in the agenda, in the absence of Cllr Bradford.'

**As the Clerk was not present the Chairman read out the following.** "Parishioners and local residents consider this site to be wrong for such a development: it is not one of the preferred or identified sites for affordable housing in the village; it is not supported by the community or by consultation with it; it is not appropriate in context, design or location in a World Heritage Site and the access to it is totally unacceptable, impracticable, restricted and very unsafe, and for these reasons they ask the Parish Council to please object to this proposal."

Parishioners at the meeting called for the Parish Council's support for their objections which included the access ; the heavy traffic that would be needed for the development.; Prospect Row /Tregonning Close/Prospect Close is like a cross roads of single file small roads; no consultation; the soakaway/foul drainage would be closer than the specified 50m to a neighbour's well that is certified as fit for drinking and is at a lower level; a PROW to the East; overdevelopment, drainage concerns, the Green zone.

**It was proposed by GH, seconded by PG and resolved by all voting Councillors, 2 having abstained as they had not viewed the application, that the application be objected to for the following reasons: overdevelopment; drainage concerns; it will increase the problems for the residents of Tregonning Close; IT IS NOT one of the sites identified for affordable housing in the Parish Housing Survey by the Parish Council/Cornwall Council with Ashton Parishioner's support; the existing green buffer zone at the end of the village up to Penhale Jakes would be destroyed; there has been no consultation with the Community or the Parish Council and the Parish Council still believes that the access via Prospect Row would cause dangerous problems and that Highways is completely wrong to approve.**

#### **PA15/06233 – Mr Patrick Gadsby – Elmfield, Main Road, Ashton, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9ST**

Conversion of barn to holiday let

TC No problem. On corner. Roof has been replaced. The outside steps will be retained aesthetically. PG suggested that an s106 be applied to tie it to the house rather than it being a separate dwelling. **It was proposed by ?, seconded by ? and resolved by all voting Councillors, 2 having abstained because they had not viewed the application, that whilst Councillors supported the application they asked if an s106 could be placed on it so that the barn is attached to the house, rather than be a separate dwelling.**

#### **PA15/07174 – Miss Lisa Woolley – Glastyr, 2 Pengersick Parc, Praa Sands, Cornwall TR20 9SS**

Felling of a tree (T1 – species unknown)

**This application had been withdrawn.**

#### **PA15/07091 – Mrs Laura Blair – Little Carluick, Carluick, Godolphin Cross, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9RJ**

**Conversion of outbuilding to ancillary accommodation**

It was proposed by ?, seconded by ? and resolved by all voting Councillors. 2 having abstained as they had not viewed the application, that the application be supported.

PA15/07896 – Mr & Mrs R Beard – Connings Farm, Helston Road, Germoe Cross Roads, PENZANCE, Cornwall TR20 9RA

Two-storey extension to provide a self-contained annexe for a family member

TB – application states that it cannot be seen from a public footpath but it can. It was proposed by ?, seconded by ? and resolved by all voting Councillors, 2 having abstained as they had not viewed the application, that the application be supported.

**b) TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA UP TO 12 NOON ON 4 SEPTEMBER 2015**

PA15/07819 – National Trust – The Granary, Godolphin Estate, Godolphin Cross, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9RE

Change of use from dwelling to offices (no external changes)

It was proposed by PG, seconded by TB and resolved by all voting Councillors. 2 having abstained as they had not viewed the application, that the application be supported.

PA15/07820 – National Trust – The Granary, Godolphin Estate, Godolphin Cross, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9RE

Listed building consent for proposed internal alterations

It was proposed by PG, seconded by ? and resolved by all voting Councillors. 2 having abstained as they had not viewed the application, that the application be supported.

PA15/07857 – Mr A and Mrs S Thomas – Thule, Helston Road, Germoe, PENZANCE, Cornwall TR20 9AA

Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of 2 new dwellings (one with integral garage)

GH There had been a huge amount of objections to the previous application especially about the height. There followed a discussion about the height. There had been no complaints about this application. TB had walked the main road and found the exit visibility poor. TA The sewage pipe is shared by 3 properties. There is no information regarding this. PG Balcony overlooking and Highways access.. TC House is on a slope and it would not be right to put 2.8m on top of that. It was proposed by GH, seconded by TA and resolved by 8 votes to 1 and 1 abstention as the Councillor had not viewed the application, to object for the following reasons: the matters previously raised by Highways have not been addressed; the balcony would lead to adverse amenity harm regarding privacy and overlooking; the height of the building.

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

PA15/05511 – Mrs Jayne Lake – Little Tolmennor, Trew, Breage HELSTON TR13 9NF

Proposed all weather sand school suitable for exercising horses. Size 20m x 40

PA15/06833 – Mr David Hayman – Hope Farm, Access to Mount Pascoe, Breage, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9NE

Proposed two-storey extension to provide kitchen dining room and bedroom with en-suite bathroom and balcony

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

PA15/04997 – Mrs Noy – Tregonning Farm, Tregonning Lane, Carleen, Breage, HELSTON, Cornwall

Listed Building Consent for replacing all windows and doors

PA15/06134 – Mr C Kelly And Mrs K Jones – Headlands, Shute Hill, Breage, HELSTON

Change of use of recreational chalet as limited by Condition 2 of PA10/04080 to a self-contained unit. The unit is still to be linked to the host dwelling house, Headlands and will not be sold separately

**e) TO RECEIVE ADVICE FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL OF GRANTED CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS**

PA15/05565 – Mr R Jewell And Miss R N Browning – Penhale Jakes Farm, Main Road, Ashton, HELSTON TR13 9SD

Certificate of lawfulness for the existing use of land for the stationing of a static caravan used for self-contained residential purposes

Granted (Certificate of Appropriate Alternative & Lawful Development Certificate for an Existing Use or operation or activity only)

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

PA15/04008 – Mr Julian & Mrs Lorna Burns – Winsford, Rinsey Lane, Ashton, HELSTON TR13 9SG

Demolition of garage/workshop and adjacent out building. New Build ancillary residential/holiday let accommodation

PA15/05887 – Mr A And Mrs S Thomas – Thule, Helston Road, Germoe, Cornwall

Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of 2 new dwellings (one with integral garage)

**g) PAPERLESS PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

a) A further letter had been sent to Cllr Hannaford:

Dear Cllr Mrs Hannaford

#### **Re. Administrative changes to be made from January 2016**

At Breage Parish Council's meeting this month Council wished me to once again express concern regarding the matter of the coming cessation of paper copies of planning applications being sent to Town and Parish Councils.

The Parish Council asks, 'Has the suggestion that it be the Planning Applicants' duty to supply their Town or Parish Council with a full paper copy of each planning application been considered?' This would remove the cost from Cornwall Council. It is felt that any hardship in maintaining the paper copies should be borne by the applicants.

Further concern has been expressed regarding the removal of the paperless copies from the public domain especially as the public now has problems with accessing through libraries and one-stop shops due to many of these having now been/are being closed.

Has Cornwall Council looked at updating their website facilities re. planning applications to ensure that clear copies are 100% obtainable? Councillors have stated that the applications are impossible to read in full on a tablet and even on a lap-top there is nowhere near perfection.

It is felt that the removal of the paper copies should not be instigated until 100% of Parish and Town Councils have the ability and understanding to access the applications by electronic means.

No reply had been received.

b) A letter was received from Phil Mason regarding funding to reduce the impact of moving towards paperless applications

A survey had also been received. This had been circulated to Councillors but no comments were made at the meeting and the survey was not completed.

**h) TO CONFIRM THE PARISH COUNCIL'S DECISION TO AGREE TO DISAGREE**

PA15/05816 - Mr & Mrs D Veal, Melborough House, 1 Bakers Row, Breage, Cornwall TR13 9PH

Proposed single storey extension to recently approved new building dwelling (PA14/12229) to form a domestic garage at Land to 1 Bakers Row, Breage, Cornwall TR13 9PH

The Parish Council objected to this application at the August meeting. The following was received from The Planning Officer:

*Thank you for Breage Parish Council's comments with regard to the above application which were as follows:*

*Comments:*

***Object, Overdevelopment***

***The original application was objected to because of overdevelopment. The subsequent application, PA14/12229 showed an integral garage and 2 parking spaces. This garage is now to be subsumed into the house.***

***It is felt that more and more is being added to the footprint and thus is overdevelopment.***

***The parking space would be reduced.***

*I appreciate your comments which will be included in my report.*

*However, in this instance I feel that it is appropriate to recommend approval of the application.*

*The reasons why I am recommending approval are:*

*I have visited the application site, and looked at the proposed scheme overall. I do not consider the size of the proposed garage to be excessive, sufficient amenities will remain within the site.*

*The garage will serve the dwelling for the parking of one vehicle and storage.*

I can understand the view of the Parish Council with regards to existing parking within the site at risk of being reduced. It is the view of the LPA that sufficient space will remain for the turning and parking of vehicles once the construction of the garage is complete.

Considering the sufficient amenities that will remain it is not considered the proposed development will result in overdevelopment of the site.

The highways officer does not consider that any impact upon the highway will be created and has no objections.

The National Planning Policy Framework stresses the importance of having a planning system that is genuinely plan-led. Where a proposal accords with an up-to-date development plan it should be approved without delay, as required by the presumption in favour of sustainable development at paragraph 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework. Where the development plan is absent, silent or the relevant policies are out of date, paragraph 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework requires the application to be determined in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development.

Under these circumstances, please can you confirm that on this occasion that we can agree to disagree? If I do not hear from you within 5 days, I will assume that this is the case.

After discussion and concern being expressed over the additional parking, it was proposed by PG, seconded by GH and resolved by 8 votes to 1 with 1 abstention because the Councillor had not viewed the application that Breage Parish Council would agree to disagree with the Planning Officer but that the matter of great concern over additional road parking be raised once more.

## 11. FINANCE

a) To resolve to approve the date of the Accounts Team pre-budget meeting as Thursday 15 October at 7.00 p.m. and the Meeting where the budget/precept 2016/2017 will be set as Thursday 19 November at 7.00 p.m.

It was proposed by PG, seconded by GH and unanimously resolved that the dates of the Accounts Team pre-budget meeting as Thursday 15 October at 7.00 p.m. and the Meeting where the budget/precept 2016/2017 as Thursday 19 November at 7.00 p.m. be approved.

b) To resolve to approve and sign the 3 month Financial Statement 1 April – 30 June 2015

AB confirmed that he had checked the statement. It was proposed by AB, seconded by GH and unanimously resolved that the 3 month Financial Statement 1 April – 30 June 2015 be approved and signed. The Chairman signed the statement.

c) To discuss and resolve whether to elect an additional Member to the Accounts Team

The Clerk had asked for this as she has been having trouble getting people to check payments as they have been so busy. However, after discussion, it was proposed by PG, seconded by AB and unanimously resolved that 3 Members should be sufficient for the Accounts Team but that KLB be permitted to attend the Accounts Team meeting on 15 October.

d) To resolve to approve September payments AMENDED

The Clerk had left notice that an extra figure from last month had been included on the payments list. This has been removed after checking by AB and the totals amended. These were shown correctly on the screen at the meeting and printed agendas.

no.	Name	cheque	Service/item	Net	VAT	Total
84	Local World Ltd	103569	Advert Councillor co-option West Briton/Cornishman	£80.00	£16.00	£96.00
89	e-on	dd	Electricity streetlights July	£262.25	£52.45	£314.70
90	BT	dd	Broadband	£67.27	£13.45	£80.72
91	BT	dd	Telephone	£24.04	£4.81	£28.85
92	R W Beard	103579	Filling rabbit holes Praa Green	£260.00		£260.00
93	British Gas	dd	Electricity Parish Rooms	£120.07	£6.00	£126.07
94	Cornwall Council		Legal Fees July Ashton Amenity Area	£23.83	£4.77	£28.60
		103572	To be reimbursed by Trustees			
95	Martin Luck Group Ltd	103573	Inks/Office	£149.11	£29.82	£178.93
96	BT	dd	Mobile	£17.50	£3.50	£21.00
97	R Sanders	103574	All remaining cuts paths and stiles Invoice 4	£2,633.88	£526.77	£3,160.65
			4th cut SWCP Invoice 5	£316.67	£63.33	£380.00
				£2,950.55	£590.10	£3,540.65
98	Pendle Funeral Services	103575	Refund of overpayment of Cemetery fees	£440.00		£440.00
99	Bus shelters Ltd	103580	New bus shelter Breage, bottom Shute Hill	£2,853.29	£570.66	£3,423.95
100	R Sanders		Praa Green Triangle	£15.00		£15.00
			Car park Praa Green	£30.00		£30.00
			2 cuts Cemetery/B&G greens/BreageField	£315.00		£315.00
			Cemetery hedge and path	£140.00		£140.00
		103582		£500.00	£100.00	£600.00
101	SW Water	dd	Water Parish Rooms	£16.73		£16.73
102	SW Water	dd	Water Cemetery	£14.77		£14.77
				£7,779.41	£1,391.56	£9,170.97
85	Mrs C L Macleod	103570	Salary August			
86	PO Ltd (HMR&C)	103571	PAYE	£267.80		£267.80
86	PO Ltd (HMR&C)	103571	Employer's NI	£137.04		£137.04
				£404.84		£404.84
87	NEST		July Clerk's Pension employer	£38.12		£38.12
			July Clerk's Pension Clerk	£50.82		£50.82
		dd		£88.94		£88.94

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88	NEST	August Pension employer	£35.49	(70/15) £35.49
		August Pension Clerk	£47.32	£47.32
		dd	<b>£82.81</b>	<b>£82.81</b>
103	Mrs C L Macleod	Travel 27 mls @53p	<b>£14.31</b>	<b>£14.31</b>
		Parking	<b>£1.20</b>	<b>£1.20</b>
		103576	<b>£15.51</b>	<b>£15.51</b>
104	Mrs C L Macleod	103577 Petty cash reimbursement	<b>£5.45</b>	<b>£5.45</b>
105	P Treloar	103578 Caretaker salary August	<b>£32.00</b>	<b>£32.00</b>
			<b>£8,408.96</b>	<b>£1,391.56</b>
				<b>£9,800.52</b>

**It was proposed by AB, seconded by TC and unanimously resolved that the payments as listed above be approved for payment.**

- e) To acknowledge receipts  
Cemetery Fees: £1,012 (£440 to be refunded); Admin: £5  
Double Cemetery fees for an interment had been paid for someone living in Trenwheal who the Funeral Directors had thought had lived outside the Parish but the Clerk had checked and the home is actually in Breage Parish and therefore double fees were not appropriate. The receipts were acknowledged.
- f) Clerk to provide Bank balances  
As at 31 August 2014 Current Account reconciled: £7,847.60; Tracker Account: £28,843.50; Petty cash: £144.55; Total including Petty cash reimbursement: £36,841.10

## 12. FOOTPATHS

- 64 – TC had spoken to the person concerned and the matter is in hand.  
13 - Had been queried by CR as it appears to have had weed killer put on it.  
41 – TB Knotweed. This has been treated in the past.  
19 - There had been no reply yet about the bull.

## 13. HIGHWAYS

- TA – Could a notice be put up? Sat Navs are sending large vehicles on the Godolphin/Carleen/Breage road and there has been gridlock. Porthleven doctors had to take the long way round as they could not get through.  
3 Fore Street Ashton – the turntable is not being used properly and vehicles are reversing onto the main road.  
47 – Pot holes – the gravel has dispersed from them. The bunds have not been filled.  
A person is throwing garden rubbish onto Praa Green. Could a letter be sent? No resolution was made.

## 14. STREET LIGHTING

- The Clerk had reported that the light at Ashton Snooker Club has been seen to. She had contacted the Performance Manager and the light was seen to the next day – it had apparently not been connected to the telephone system.

## 15. CEMETERY AND CLOSED GRAVEYARDS

- a) There are matters to be discussed in closed session  
b) To receive feedback re. the removal of wooden edging from grave 356  
TC had met with the owner and the matter is in hand.  
c) Interment 26 August 2015 – William George Whittaker Row 19, Grave 362

## 16. PRAA SANDS

- a) Ragwort removal – Ragwort had been partially cut down, but before flowering. The Handyman has cleared the remainder and taken it away for burning

### b) TOILETS

**i) A press statement was sent to the West Briton – this is being kept in hand by the reporter for the next news item**

*In March of 2015 Breage Parish Council invited Jon James, the Natural Environment Manager Commissioning and Contracts to the monthly Parish Meeting. This was the result of deep concern felt by Breage Parish Council over the decision taken by Cornwall Council to find alternative delivery models to secure the future provision of public toilets and in particular the toilets at Praa Sands.*

*Mr James explained to the Parish Council that when Cornwall Council became a unitary authority it had inherited 252 public toilets. In 2010 Cornwall Council decided that £170m had to be saved over the next four years. The Public Convenience funding was reduced by 50% and the £3m allocated for toilets in 2010 was reduced to £1.5m and that now this had to be further reduced.*

*The decision taken by Cornwall Council was that this was a non-statutory service and that the 2016/2017 budget for public toilets should be diminished to zero. This would mean that from April 2016 there would be no funding for Praa Sands toilets unless an alternative funding source could be found. Mr James explained that there was a possibility of utilising the toilets as commercial premises subject to suitable proposals that would include retention of the toilet facility.*

*On March 9th a letter was received from Joyce Duffin, the Cornwall Council Cabinet Member for Housing and the Environment. This confirmed the decision by Cornwall Council to cease all funding after April 1 2016 for Praa Sands toilets. It also outlined the possibilities of utilising land near or adjacent to the Public Conveniences for business use such as cafes, holiday let etc., which would pay the cost of keeping the toilets open. Whilst this would ideally suit some Public Conveniences in Cornwall, the Praa Sands toilet block has no adjacent or near land associated with it and the toilet block sits on its own footprint of just 66 sq m. These tenders were made available to those who requested them at the end of April 2015.*

*Breage Parish Council was informed that there was no successful tender in mid-August and a meeting with Joyce Duffin CC and Jon James is scheduled for September to explore further possibilities.*

*Breage Parish Council remains most unhappy regarding the decisions taken by Cornwall Council that may possibly lead to the closure of the toilets. The Council is understandably receiving many complaints from Parishioners and local businesses in Praa Sands but we have had no input into the decision processes that have led to this situation and would urge all those concerned to lobby Cornwall Council: Joyce Duffin 01872 322571 [jmduffin@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:jmduffin@cornwall.gov.uk); Jon James 01209 614387 [JJames@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:JJames@cornwall.gov.uk) and the local Cornwall Councillor: John Keeling 01736 763272 [jkeeling@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:jkeeling@cornwall.gov.uk)*

**ii) To discuss and resolve as to whether Praa Sands businesses be invited to a meeting between the Parish Council, Cornwall Cllr Joyce Duffin, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Environment and Jon James, Natural Environment Manager CC or to a separate meeting. This dependent on the number of replies received**

The Clerk had been asked to contact businesses re. the meeting this evening. TC said that there was just too much to do as there are more people to contact than was realised.

PG felt it important to try and resolve all future options with CC before the Businesses and Public were invited otherwise it would just be a debate. SC – The PC does believe the toilets need to be open. Funding needs to be identified. PG – Running Cost figures that have been

provided have varied: £18,000; £10,400 and now £22,000. GH PC needs to meet with CC first so that it is better prepared. Correct costings need to be obtained and then a way to move forward worked out. TA agreed: information first then discussion. TC Surely the feedback would help. Businesses and Public should be present. After further discussion Cornwall Councillor JK was asked and he felt that a meeting would be useful and advised that a large increase on the Precept maybe subject in 2016 to a referendum.

**It was proposed by GH, seconded by AB and resolved by 7 votes to 3 that the PC meet with CC first so that it is better prepared for then meeting with the Businesses and Public.**

**PG requested and proposed that JK formally invite Joyce Duffin and Jon James to a meeting with the Businesses and Public as soon after the initial meeting with the Parish Council as possible and proposed that Clerk write to them set up such a meeting. This was seconded by GH and resolved by 7 votes to 3.**

**iii) To resolve to invite Cllr Keeling to the meeting between the Parish Council, Cornwall Cllr Joyce Duffin, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Environment and Jon James, Natural Environment Manager CC**

**It was proposed by AB, seconded by RWB and unanimously resolved that Cllr Keeling be invited to the meeting between the Parish Council, Cornwall Cllr Joyce Duffin, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Environment and Jon James, Natural Environment Manager CC.**

**c) Gig Club – To resolve to give support for The Gig Club’s application to the Coastal Revival Fund**

TC Concern was expressed that other vehicles may use it. SC had thought it was for emergency vehicles only. TB described the beach and slip. It was noted that the Parish Council had not got to decide on the actual planning of the slipway as Planning Application would be needed, just whether the grant application would be approved. Comment from the Clerk: The Senior Beach Ranger Cormac has advised that any alterations would need to be approved by Jolyon Sharpe and Toby Lowe at Cornwall Council.

**PG proposed to support the grant application to the Coastal Revival Fund in principle but more information about the proposed construction would be welcomed. This was seconded by GH and resolved with 1 abstention.**

**d) CORNWALL BEACH AND DUNE MANAGEMENT PLANS**

(i) Stage 2 Report received

(ii) **Any comments to be provided**

TB had provided Council with 3 written sheets of comments, (see Chairman’s Announcements), and had responded regarding Praa Sands to include importance: AONB; Historical; Praa Green – a Public Amenity, much loved by residents and visitors. The map does not identify it or the SAMs – Pengersick Castle Grade I; the Grade II buildings and the Conservation Area. Concern was expressed about how to protect. Steps are needed to beach ground level and fencing high enough not to be climbed over and to stop dogs getting through. Proposal: Rock Armouring East – out of date map, 2001 – there was more land then.

Cllr Board’s comments were welcomed at the meeting and although no proposal was made it appeared that the Council wished these comments to be forwarded.

**17. ASHTON AMENITY AREA**

a) Update

The Clerk had been in constant contact with Jonathan Sleeman who is experiencing slow progress from the Trustees Solicitor due to things that had not been undertaken by the Trustees. The Charity Commissioners have now been contacted.

**18. BREAGE GREEN**

**To authorise the clearing of weeds on the footway at the edge of the Green**

The Chairman had looked at this and felt it to be a simple job with a hoe. **It was proposed by PG, seconded by TA and unanimously resolved that the Grass Cutting Contractor be authorised charge for the inclusion of the clearing of the weeds from the footway round Breage Green.**

**19. BUS SHELTER**

a) **The bus shelter has now been installed on the Shute Hill side of the A394, Breage, adjacent to the bus stop**

**20. GAMBLING ACT 2005**

Consultation on draft revised Statement of Principles

Any comments to be made by 26 October 2015

No comments were made.

**21. TREMEARNE BEACH**

Query from Mr E Coode regarding dangerous steps and railings that he has fenced off

The Clerk checked with CC and Colin Bayes sent the following reply:

*I’ve had a look at the mapping and the South West Coast Path runs parallel to the coast and foreshore and doesn’t connect to Tremearne beach. Any closure of private access to the private beach doesn’t come under the highways act and therefore doesn’t require intervention by Cornwall Council.*

Mr Coode was informed of this.

TB Years ago Mr Woodhams had repaired the railings. SC It appeared that the whole cliff has been laid claim to.

**22. HELSTON AND SOUTH KERRIER COMMUNITY NETWORK PANEL**

a) **To receive report on the meeting held on 2 September 2015 at Cury**

SC said that he had not attended as he had not received notice of the meeting. A Copy of the draft notes from the previous meeting had been received and circulated together with the agenda and meeting details.

**23. CHRISTMAS MEAL**

a) **To resolve to fix the date and venue for the Christmas meal**

The next venue on the list is The Lion and Lamb, Ashton

Suggested date: Thursday 10 December at 7 p.m.

**It was proposed by PG, seconded by TA and unanimously resolved that the Christmas Meal be held at the Lion and Lamb, Ashton on 10 December 2015 at 7.00 p.m.**

**24. REPORT FROM CLERK**

The Clerk’s report was not read out and it was asked that the Clerk send it through to Councillors.

The report is printed below and the Clerk required replies for: b) c) d) and g). Which she has obtained by e-mail contact with the Councillors after the meeting: Yes to b) and c), No to d) and Yes to g)

a) First of all, thank you for my lovely holiday time.

b) Gwary Teg has asked if their play to be held at PSDCC can be displayed on the website.

c) Cornwall Hospice has asked if their Night of Neon can be displayed on the website.

d) Microsoft 365 – I was asked by BT if this is wanted. I asked Liz Thomas what she thought and she said if it isn’t broken don’t fix it. Are you happy for me to say no?

e) Ross Beard – it seems that although he’s doing very well, and is impatient to get better and home, he has a lot more to be done both at Treliske and Bristol before he’s well enough to think about leaving hospital.

- f) BT Fibre Optic – I had a phone call to say that it's all going through. I'll believe it when I see it! BUT I also had a call to say that the Broadband order was being sorted. I think I'll just leave them to fight it out.
- g) Caretaker – He has not returned his signed contract and he did not clean the rooms or cut the grass in August. I spoke to his wife and she said that she thinks he will be giving up the work as he does not have time now that his gardening business has taken off and he's so busy. I asked her to get him to contact me. I will not pay the August cheque if that is okay.
- h) CCAF has been on about recruitment again.  
*Cornwall Council is seeking to recruit members to the Cornwall Countryside Access Forum (CCAF).  
 A copy of the advertisement and a letter from the Chairman of CCAF has been sent to you.  
 Full information about the Forum and an application form is available on the Council's website.  
 The closing date for applications is Friday 11 September 2015.*
- i) Light in the telephone kiosk Carleen – I had a reply:  
*Please do not be concerned; following the adoption, BT Payphones will continue to be responsible for the electrical supply and any payments to the electricity companies for that supply. BT reserves the right to disconnect the electricity supply at some point in the future however; BT will contact the kiosk owner should this become necessary.  
 At the point of transfer BT will ensure that the light will be working but from then on BT will only be responsible for the supply in to the kiosk to the point of the R.E.C. fuse box. Any future faults beyond this point will be the responsibility of the kiosk owner.*
- j) Library Review – Received from CC:  
*We are keen to hear from any local councils, groups or organisations that have considered delivering their local service but have not put a proposal forward. Initial discussions will not commit you to anything but may bring to light a solution you or we had not considered.  
 We are aiming to protect the whole library/one stop shop service across Cornwall through local organisations and groups taking on the running of their local service whilst being supported by the Councils central library and one stop shop team – so far we only have 14 'expressions of interest' from across Cornwall and without more we cannot rule out ultimately having to close sites in order to deliver the service within budget.*
- k) Someone was asking on the website: *I would be grateful if you could tell us why new telegraph poles seem to be appearing in Praa Sands at the entrance to the Holiday Park and further down the valley over the park towards the chimneys. As the poles do not as yet have any wiring, where is the wiring to come from as there are no visible telegraph poles in the vicinity of the entrance to the Holiday park. I am concerned that wiring may be brought over the roofs of houses in this area.*  
 I have asked JK but he did not know – he said to try BT Openreach.
- l) Street Trading Review – Consultation document received.  
*It would be appreciated if you would give consideration to street trading issues in your respective areas and respond to the consultation questions contained within the attached document.  
 I look forward to hearing from you in due course and if you have any queries or wish to discuss any aspect of the review or any particular issues relevant to your area please do not hesitate to contact me.  
 The last date for responding to the consultation is 10 November 2015.  
 If you think there is anything in Breage Parish that needs to be considered please let me know.*

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

### Breage Field

**Safety check:** 1. Hedge broken down 2. Seats need a coat of preservative at some stage 3. Football net in bad state 4. Rust in springs - rocking items 5. Wood damaged by strimmer - climbing items 6. T- piece missing - climbing items 7. Bolts are incomplete on ends - climbing items 8. Two bolts rusty on multi-play items 9. Litter and debris collected by Handyman

CR said that the Committee had not met for 2 years.

SC The access to beaches at Tremearne and Praa Sands are worth looking into. The ramp and access should be put on next time's agenda and Councillors should go and look for themselves.

CR Step at Praa Sands has a 6ft drop.

TB Bus shelter Praa Sands – the post is there but no bin. More attention needs to be paid to the Basketball Court. There are two large pits near the benches on Praa Green. A new resident has been clearing some earth and filling in the rabbit holes on Praa Green. There is also a cat with the new resident and that is keeping the rabbits at bay. This has been the worst season she has ever know for tourism at Praa Sands but good news – the Sand martins are back on the beach at the head of the cliff after not coming for the past 3-4 years. The toilet cleaning has been at a very poor standard and there have been no records of cleaning at the weekends.

### Carleen Village Hall

TA – The annual show is on Saturday with lots of entries and lots to see. The following Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup>, Auditions for the Pantomime from 2 – 4 p.m. Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Soup and Pudding lunch.

## 26. CORRESPONDENCE

Rsn – Rural Vulnerability Service Rural Transport August 2015

Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Local Enterprise Partnership – Expo 2015

Rsn – weekly news 10 August 2015

SLCC – news bulletin

Gwary Teg – 9 October, PSDCC, 7.30 p.m. A play – National Minority

Rsn – weekly news 17 August 2015

Rsn – Rural Opportunities Bulletin

Rsn – weekly news 24 August 2015

CC – Firework Safety Event, St Erme Village Hall, 1 October 1.30 to 5 p.m.

Cornwall for Change – Update

AONB - Tir Teg Summer 2015

Open Spaces – OSS Anniversary Ezine 2015

Cornwall Sports Partnership – Bulletin August 2015

WHS – Newsletter Summer 2015

Rsn weekly news 1 September 2015

Rsn – Rural Opportunities bulletin

SLCC – The Clerk magazine

Clerks and Councils Direct – September 2015

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

Cruse – Bereavement Care 2015 Appeal

Victim Support Request for a donation



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

Nothing was put forward here.

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

**ORDINARY PARISH MEETING TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2015; ACCOUNTS TEAM MEETING – RE BUDGET/PRECEPT THURSDAY 15 OCTOBER 2015 BOTH AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE PARISH ROOMS**

These were 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 TA 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

Members of the Public left the meeting.

**30. CEMETERY**

a) To receive a report and make any necessary resolution

**The Chairman and Vice Chairman and AB, the Cemetery Councillor had met with Ms King and Mr Noye.**

As the recorder had not been used during the Closed Session, the Vice-Chairman provided the Clerk with a draft letter that had been approved by Council to be sent to Ms King.

**31. CLERK'S PENSION**

Update

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.

**BREAGE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HELD DURING THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**IN THE PARISH ROOMS BREAGE ON TUESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2015**

At 7.00 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.

The possible closure of the toilets at Praa Sands produced comments from Members of the Public and Business owners from Praa Sands with the various groups of people who use the toilets being listed. It was felt that after the initial with Jon James it had been felt that the toilets would never be closed as they are such an asset. The Sandbar is the only business there with toilet provision and the owner has never said no to people who have asked to use this. However, the system is not capable of taking the full number of summer visitors. It was suggested that the Parish Precept be raised with an additional cost of approx £13.36 per household. It was felt to be vital that the Precept be raised.

The Planning application PA15/07005 was raised by several people, all of whom were in objection to it for various reasons: roads felt to be inadequate for present needs; foul drainage incorrect –within 50m of a working well which is closer than the specified distance; bridle path to the east; there has been no community consultation whatsoever; a single track access road would definitely increase the accident percentage; there is a four-way crossing that is completely inadequate; the road is more like a track than a road; this would not take the heavy volume of construction traffic.

There has been a preapp at Praa Sands for proposed retirement studios. A Parishioner has written in objection 1. Changing the use of this land to housing would constitute a change of use from open countryside to developed land which would contravene the present status of the land within the AONB and would set a precedent.2. The proposed access to and from the A394 would create a serious road safety hazard and would lead to congestion on an already busy main road. The existing golf club has adequate vehicular access already. It is notable that the existing Golf Course Bungalow does not have direct access to the A394 but instead has a drive leading to Pengersick Lane.3. If this application were permitted can we then expect proposals for more housing development all over the Golf Course?

4. The proposed access for this development to the main Golf Course buildings would be down steep slopes which would be likely to be hazardous for golf buggies. He would keep CPRE and the Parish Council involved.

Public Participation ended at 7.24 p.m.