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**MINUTES ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE PARISH ROOMS BREAGE
 AFTER THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING ON TUESDAY 5 MAY 2015**

Present: Cllr Mrs R Wyvern Batt (Chairman)
 Cllr T Ackland
 Cllr Mrs T Board
 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

Mrs C Macleod (Clerk)
 20 Members of the Public + 1 who arrived later

This meeting followed on from the Annual Parish Meeting that ended at 6.40 p.m.

1. FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE

This was not repeated.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

a) To receive apologies for absence

Apologies for absence had been received from HB who was on holiday; AB who was away working with the gig racing in the Scillies; ID who was working with the Guys and Dolls Show at Helston, the rehearsal date having been altered because of the Bank Holiday and the Police.

3. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR 2015/2016

One nomination received

The Clerk explained that a written nomination had been received from TA and seconded by AB for RWB to be Chairman. As AB was away she asked if there was another seconder. TC seconded the proposal and, Cllr Wyvern Batt, agreeing to stand, was unanimously elected as Chairman of Breage Parish Council 2015/2016.

4. TO RECEIVE CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF OFFICE

Cllr Wyvern Batt thanked the Councillors, completed and read her declaration of office to the meeting and was asked by the Clerk signed her declaration of office form that was countersigned by the Clerk.

5. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR 2015/2016

Cllr Greenough was nominated by GH, seconded by SC and agreeing to stand, was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman of Breage Parish Council 2015/2016.

6. TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS OF COUNCILLORS TO BE PART OF PARISH COUNCIL WORKING GROUPS/TEAMS AND/OR OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS 2015/2016

The Clerk asked if one resolution could be made once all names of volunteers had been listed. This was proposed by RWB, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved.

Accounts Team: 2 Members.

It was stated that both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman will also be Members of this Team and that they may attend any of the Group/Team meeting. The Clerk added that 3 Members were elected last year and this was helpful for her.

Cllrs Best had previously confirmed his agreement to stand with the Clerk and Cllrs Caddick and Higginson also agreed to stand

Cemetery: 1 Member

Cllr Best had confirmed his agreement to stand with the Clerk:

Street Lighting: 1 Member

Cllr Ackland agreed to stand.

Footpaths: 2 Members

Cllrs Darby and Coleman agreed to stand.

Praa Sands: 2 Members

Cllrs Board and Coleman agreed to stand.

Affordable Housing: 2 Members

The Clerk reminded members that there had been 3 Members named last year

Cllrs Best had previously confirmed his agreement to stand with the Clerk and Cllrs Rashleigh and Coleman also agreed to stand.

Breage Playing Field Committee Representative: 1 Member

Cllr Rashleigh agreed to stand.

Carleen Village Hall Committee Representative: 1 Member

Cllr Darby agreed to stand.

Breage Allotment Growers Representative: 1 Member

Cllr Coleman agreed to stand.

Health and Safety/Risk Assessment/ Fire: 1 Member, 1 Deputy

Cllr Ackland agreed to stand and Cllr Bradford was proposed as Deputy.

Parish Employment Working Group: Chairman and 1 Member

Cllrs Wyvern Batt and Cllr Greenough agreed to stand and Cllr Davis should he wish to.

The above members, as listed, were nominated by SC, seconded by TA and unanimously elected.

7. UPDATING OF COUNCILLORS' FINANCIAL AND OTHER INTERESTS

Councillors must check their original register of interests and sign form RI/1, indicating if there are any amendments thereon. Councillors may amend their current forms and sign the alteration or if they prefer, complete a new form. This should be done before the meeting, if possible, or immediately on arrival to ensure that voting during the meeting is legal.

There were no amendments declared.

8. 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)

Non-registerable interests were declared by PD as she is the Council's representative on a the Carleen Village Hall Committee; TA he is Chairman of the Carleen Village Hall Committee; TC as he is Chairman of on the Ashton Village Committee and CR as she is the Council's representative on the Breage Field Committee. These Members would not vote in the payments section where grants have been awarded to these local groups.

There were none at this point.

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

There were none

9. GODOLPHIN 1940S VICTORY WEEKEND

This item was deferred until later in the meeting. Mr Dunn had sent his apologies as he had to work late.

a) **Welcome and introduction of Mr Chris Dunn who will speak about the Godolphin Victory Weekend**

b) **Questions for Mr Dunn from Parish Councillors**

c) **Resolution to permit questions from Members of the Public**

d) **Questions from Members of the Public**

10. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on 7 April 2015

The Chairman led Members through each page of the minutes asking for accuracy corrections. **It was proposed by TA, seconded by PD and unanimously resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on 7 April 2015 be signed, with 3 amendments, as a true and correct record.**

The amendments were: Page 30/15, 11. Footpaths, line one - remove 'by TC'; page 31/15, 26. Members Reports to The Council, line four – add an apostrophe s to 'last year' and insert 'looked as if it was thrown' after and.

11. POLICE REPORT

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

As the Police were not represented, the Clerk read out the following report:

'During April 2015, 6 crimes were reported.

'Praa Sands

Theft X 1

Use Threatening words/behaviour X 1

Criminal Damage to vehicle X 1

'Breage

Theft X 1

Theft from motor Vehicle X 1

'Ashton

Assault x 1

'Please Note:

Falmouth and Helston are one sector together and at a recent neighbourhood meeting, we agreed on a standard level of service across the sector that we can provide to parish councils etc taking into account growing demand on neighbourhood teams. This included the provision of Police reports. It was agreed that if our duties allowed, we will attend council meetings as and when we can. We would aim for this to be about 2 or 3 times a year. If we cannot attend, we will send a police report. This will no longer include a breakdown of crimes of the area. We will inform the council of any crime trends or spikes, and provide more general but relevant crime prevention advice etc.

For a breakdown of crimes, please see police.uk (although we are aware this is currently out of date).

'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 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.'

Concern was expressed that the Police would only be attending. It was also felt that the omission of the breakdown of crimes would make the report not worth receiving. Comment was made that feedback from the 101 number was scarce. More Police and fewer Commissioners was a recommendation.

12. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public may raise subjects they wish to bring to the attention of the Parish Council. Listeners should note that decisions cannot be made on items not on the agenda.

Public Participation was held here from 6.59 to 7.18 p.m.

13. REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR

Cllr Keeling expressed his concern about the lack of Police presence. He also spoke about a matter raised in Public participation stating that he had spoken to the Legal Team that was going to look at the specific case spoken about and he would get back to the Parishioner. He then presented his report that had been circulated to Councillors.

'The "Case for Cornwall" is still a hot subject at County Hall with the fervent hope that central government will devolve additional powers and freedoms to allow local government to thrive well into the future. Cornwall joins many other local authorities across the country in "Devo-Next" and they have all got similar goals and interesting titles like: Delivering Dorset's Potential, Wider Hampshire Working Together, Suffolk 21st Century Public Services and World-Class Worcestershire Combined Authority Direct to name but a few.

'Other information that may be useful:

'Funding is available for average speed cameras to be installed across Cornwall, these are an effective way of observing traffic speeds and provide sound evidence for prosecution.

'The council's approach to people struggling to pay council tax has been recognised as "good practise" in a new Children's Society Report. This incorporates a "Breathing Space Policy" which, once we are made aware that someone is struggling to pay puts the account on hold whilst the customer is guided to appropriate agency support. Nevertheless, our collection rate is 97.1% which is above average for unitary authorities.

'At full council last week I challenged the council on its removal of funding for public toilets from April 2016. Though there is an initiative to see if there is any commercial interest in the remaining toilet sites, I questioned the possibility and wisdom of the having closed toilets on a premier beach open to thousands of people during the summer season; and not only the health issues but also the impact on the tourist economy. I continue to have talks across the public and private sector to find a sustainable solution.

'Consultation on the library service finishes on the 10th of June and though the deadlines for workshops have passed; the survey is available on www.cornwall.gov.uk/librarysurvey along with a link to the survey questionnaire.

'I attended two public meeting: in Breage Village and Godolphin School. The former was a potential development site in the "green triangle" in the centre of Breage Village and the other about the Community Right to Bid for the Godolphin Arms Public Arms. The work in Sithney Village on the waste management system, associated with Coastline Housing, with landscaping continues and I will visit the site prior to the parish council meeting. Numerous planning applications are making for interesting times in the division, more than I have ever known to be fair! There is a Community Network Panel meeting at Carleen Village Hall on the 3rd of June at 6pm. Hope to see good representation from all parish councils in the division. Further discussions on Neighbourhood Plans took place at the community network meeting of local Cornwall Councillors with the encouraging news that more parishes are stepping up to the plate and going forward with plans. Funding is available for Emergency Planning and if the enthusiasm is there to continue the previous tri-parish initiative please let me know. Can I ask that if there are specific questions about service matters that they are forwarded to me via your clerks so that I can get onto them early, this already happens in some cases but I would like to be proactive rather than reactive in all instances.'

The Chairman asked if there were any questions. It was not understood why, if the road at Sithney Common Hill could be opened for Flora Day w, it could not be converted to this system full time. JK stated that this is Cllr Martin's Ward and that he should be contacted direct. A question was asked about The Library Consultation as the consultation could only be reached on-line and many people do not have computers. It was advised that local libraries would have the information as would the One Stop Shops. Thanks were expressed that the rock armouring work at Praa Sands was being redone because the original work was considered to be a bad job.

14. PLANNING

a) TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL

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

It was reported that a village meeting had been held with this application as the reason. The application had only received 3 or 4 approvals. Matters of concern were the exit onto Higher Road; possible water retention; a second play area not needed; character of village would be harmed. Comment was made that Breage is a pastoral village and this field at the heart of the village should remain as agricultural land. The application was felt to be an inappropriate use. Concern was further expressed regarding the access and the parking spaces for 24 cars. The traffic movement was felt to work very well at present and change to it would be detrimental. The access to parking and the parking being on the opposite side of the road to what it is at present would cause problems. The application for a village green and a path for people were felt by a councillor to be dangerous. The Playing Field next door is well controlled by gates and a safety bar but the new access would be open. The access to the A394, with no gate would be very dangerous. The introduction of dogs would be in conflict with the dog ban in the adjacent playing field. It was noted that the people local to this application had not been informed. Apparently letters had been sent out but probably to Vicarage Row, which was the address on the application, rather than Higher Road, which is where the entrance gate is. Council's were aware that the preapp had advised that the local community were contacted but they had not been. Without this engagement Planning permission had been considered unlikely. A Councillor hoped that this would still be so in the light of Parishioners' many objections. Many Parishioners attended the Parish Council meeting and all were in objection to this application. The Parish Council was unanimous in its objection. Objection was raised due to the losing of this historical and visual community asset that defines the character and reflects the history of Breage Village. The proposed houses are to have verandas and will be totally out of character with the surrounding buildings several of which are listed. It was felt that the entrance onto Higher Road would cause problems when exiting. Council was told that there would be no flooding or run off problems because there would be a sewage treatment plant and not septic tanks. Breage has already experienced overflow down its streets from Breage House that has a sewage treatment plant. The church is listed as one of the 1,000 best English Churches. The churchwarden told the Council that visitors who do not know it is there come down the A394 and see it either in daylight, or at night with the floodlights, and think it is fantastic. Parishioners made it abundantly clear that the Village does not want another play area. The open access was felt to be dangerous.

It was proposed by PG, seconded by TB and unanimously resolved that the application be objected to on the grounds of the listed reasons:

Breage Conservation Area Appraisal & Management Strategy 2010

The Breage Conservation Area was designated in March 1978. The aim of a conservation area is to preserve and enhance the features which contribute to an area's special architectural and historic interest. Such features of course include historic buildings, but also other aspects of the townscape including trees and planting, walls and boundaries, paving and Open Spaces.

Planning Context – extracted from the Appraisal

Chapter eight of the Plan designates Breage as a 'smaller village' for planning purposes: this means that it is considered appropriate to absorb a small amount of infill development (i.e. one or two houses) where this would not compromise the defined settlement boundary. The Local Plan furthermore states in policy ENV6 that development within Open Areas of Local Significance will not be allowed where the setting of a town or village forms a green open foreground or background setting essential to the local character of the town or village; where it is essential to public views or where green space penetrates the built up area.

World Heritage Site

An additional consideration is the inscription of the Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site (WHS), of which Breage is a part. The WHS Management Plan defines the 'outstanding universal value' of this landscape.

Open Space and gardens

The historic area of open space at the centre of the 'triangular' street plan has already been noted in this Appraisal as making a significant contribution to Breage's character. Comprising in part public open ground (with a children's play area) and part agricultural land, it opens up the village and allows good views of the church. Its hedges are an important part of its character. It is assumed that this ground was originally unenclosed common land; the fact that it is still used for agriculture is a notable feature.

Strengths and weaknesses

The significant qualities of the Breage Conservation Area can be traced to its good-quality eighteenth and nineteenth-century buildings, especially in the centre of the village. Other important strengths are:

The village's topographical situation, which means that long-range views of and from the settlement are a much appreciated feature.

The attractive and historic open 'green wedge' at the centre of the village.

The Submitted Plan

The proposed houses are on a sloping site. These houses are proposed to be on higher ground towards a Grade I listed church. The open views from the A394 end of Higher Road towards the church would be drastically altered. From the A394 these houses would be quite prominent. The developers have proposed to screen the houses with the planting of trees. These trees would further reduce the open aspect characterising the centre of the village. The open fields at the centre of Breage that characterise the Conservation Area are thus part of Breage's historic environment. The National Planning Policy Framework at section 12 places strong emphasis on the protection of these environments. A proposed change to this historic open site would warrant a full Heritage Impact Assessment under the Cornwall Local Plan document (2014). No such Impact Assessment has been undertaken. The access to the proposed site is via a 43ft splayed entrance. This will alter the historic appearance of Higher Road. Making the road wider at this point and the proposed extra parking spaces may well reduce the parking in Higher Road itself – but this will increase the speed of traffic on Higher Road next to the entrance to the children's play area.

In 2010 Breage Parish Council conducted an affordable homes survey during which this site was discounted. Breage has since built 18 affordable and 6 open market houses on sites identified by this survey. It is of concern that there has been no consultation by the developers with the village over such a significant development.

This development is in a Conservation Area and, as such, this development would need to be based on an understanding of local character and that it would preserve and/or enhance the character of the Conservation Area. It clearly neither preserves nor enhances the character and since 'The Green Triangle' in the centre of Breage is not only the heart of the village but importantly it is a visual and historical community asset which is the major strength of the conservation area.

In his preapp comments the Officer wrote:

'Community support will be essential and preferred locations for housing within the site should be discussed with the community, including the option for dwellings along the road frontage should the community support the loss of part of the roadside hedgerow and trees. Without community support and the provision of the village green I consider that planning permission is unlikely to be forthcoming.'

The Parish Council hopes that as the community does not support the application, permission will not be forthcoming.

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

It was agreed that this would look better and the access would be improved. Concern was expressed about the Cornish hedge being removed to allow an entrance but it was hoped that Planning would pick up on this. **It was proposed by TA, seconded by TC and resolved with one vote against that the application be supported.**

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

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

It was proposed by TA, seconded by PG and unanimously resolved that the application be supported.

b) TO CONSIDER ADDITIONAL PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA UP TO 12 NOON

ON FRIDAY 24 April 20145

There were none.

c) TO RECEIVE NOTICE OF GRANTS OF CONDITIONAL PLANNING PERMISSION FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL

PA15/02168 – Mr & Mrs D Knox - Daphne Cottage, St Aubyn's Square, Breage, HELSTON, Cornwall TR13 9PD

Erection of a domestic extension

Additional

PA15/02325 – Mr & Mrs K Iles – Land adj. Tregarron, Pengersick Lane, Praa Sands, PENZANCE, Cornwall TR20 9RB

Proposed dwelling

PA15/02713 – Mr Scott Willett & Mrs Helen Carson – 10 Trewartha Road, Praa sands, PENZANCE, Cornwall TR20 9ST

Raised Terrace area and external alterations

d) DECISIONS TO BE CONFIRMED BY PARISH COUNCIL

i) PA15/02325 – Mr & Mrs K Iles – Land adj. Tregarron, Pengersick Lane, Praa Sands, PENZANCE, Cornwall TR20 9R

Proposed dwelling

At the meeting on 30 March 2015, Breage Parish Council objected to the application:

Overdevelopment. Still higher than Tregarron. Neighbourliness - overlooking and intrusive. No mining survey or contamination report for this previously affected area.

The following was received from the Planning Officer:

I would not concur with the view that the proposal would constitute overdevelopment. Both the proposed and existing property would be situated within their own curtilages and provided with acceptable levels of amenity space as well as parking and turning provision. Whilst the proposal is higher than Tregarron this in itself is not a reason to refuse planning permission. The land rises to the East and an increase in ridge height is not objectionable. As is evident in the wider locality development is stepped and of different heights given the different land levels found. The separation distance and relative height to the nearest neighbours ensures that adverse neighbour impacts would be avoided. A refusal on neighbourliness grounds would be extremely difficult to defend at appeal. Environmental Health have considered the submitted contaminated land information and recommend a condition is imposed to control this matter. The NPPF is clear that the responsibility to ensure that development can proceed without land stability issues rests with the developer. In this instance I would consider that a condition could be imposed to ensure that this matter is appropriately investigated and handled. The application is therefore recommended for approval.

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 6 of the 7 Councillors who had originally voted and they wished, by 6 votes to 1, to agree to disagree. The Clerk informed the Planning Officer.

To resolve to confirm that Breage Parish council voted by 6 votes to 1 to agree to disagree regarding the Planning Officer's decision

ii) PA15/01668 – Ms Amy Jenkin Coastline Housing Association – Land Adjacent to No. 10 Godolphin Crescent, Godolphin Cross, HELSTON, Cornwall TR14 9RB

New single detached dwelling

At the meeting on 7 April 2015 Councillors voted unanimously to object to this application:

The house still too large, the wrong type of housing for the village and out of keeping with its immediate neighbours. What is needed is a single storey home. Overdevelopment in a tiny plot. More cars too close to the proximity of the school. Loss of side access for neighbouring property. In the design and access statement it is stated that Coastline Housing Authority has discussed the project with the Parish Council. THIS IS NOT SO. There has been no preapp meeting.

The following was received from the Planning Officer:

The proposal comprises a two storey property that has been reduced in size and altered in design from the previous scheme which was withdrawn under PA14/11701. It is considered that the proposed design and scale of the building is appropriate in this location. The design is a modest two bedroom unit that

is located between existing "Cornish units" to the west with a traditional stone fronted building to the east. The design is considered appropriate in this location and will make use of slate hanging to the upper elevations, such that it does not detract from the character of the area. The proposal provides for off-street parking to serve the dwelling such that it accords with providing parking. Whilst I appreciate that there are issues in respect of problems with parking around the school this is not as a result of this application and the proposal will not lead to significant impacts upon the adjacent highway that would cause any danger to members of the public or lead to an exacerbation of the situation that could justify a refusal on highways grounds.

The proposed plans indicate that the existing dwelling at 10 Godolphin Crescent will still have a side access comprising approximately 2m in width. It is therefore my recommendation that permission be approved for the dwelling.

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

The Clerk contacted the 10 Councillors who had originally voted.

To resolve to confirm Breage Parish Council vote regarding the above.

It was proposed by TA, seconded by CR and unanimously resolved that the objection be maintained as item 3.

Mr Dunn had arrived and so the deferred item:

9. GODOLPHIN 1940S VICTORY WEEKEND was held here

a) Welcome and introduction of Mr Chris Dunn who will speak about the Godolphin Victory Weekend

Mr Dunn was welcomed by the Chairman and asked to speak. He distributed booklets that he could sell in advance at £1.50 each. Several were purchased. He brought posters and explained where the event would be held: The Old Chicken Farm, and used laptop and projector to show very interesting details of the event, explaining who and what would be attending; the displays and vehicles, the Cornish heavy Horse Society and equipment, Home Front display, cars, Wartime Farming, military vehicles; children's games; Tug O' War with a vintage tractor; living history displays; Home Guard grenade throwing training; bayonet training; singing and singers; vintage traders; the food stall, food (including a giant pasty); the sponsors and so much more.

b) Questions for Mr Dunn from Parish Councillors

Councillors asked or posters so that they could display them. Mr Dunn explained that the programme could be viewed online. It was asked when the commemoration service would be – 2 p.m. on Saturday 23rd May. The Chairman will lay a poppy wreath.

c) Resolution to permit questions from Members of the Public

It was proposed by TA, seconded by RWB and unanimously resolved that Members of the Public be permitted to ask questions.

d) Questions from Members of the Public

People asked about the programmes and these were passed around. Mr Dunn was thanked so much for attending and left at this point.

15. FINANCE

a) To receive Internal Auditor's Report 2014/2015

The Clerk read out the Report:

'I am writing to confirm that I carried out the audit in respect of Breage Parish Council on the 27th and 28th April 2015 and I can confirm that all records were in good order.

'As a result I was able to complete Section 4 of the Annual Return and there were no matters to bring to the attention of the council.'

It was proposed by PG, seconded by TA and resolved by all that the report be received.

b) To hold a review into the effectiveness of the Internal Audit

The Role of the Internal Auditor as given by CALC should be noted:

They should be independent and have no connection with the Council or Members

They should check Systems and Controls/Financial decision making/Lawfulness of decisions/VAT/PAYE/Management of Risk/Effectiveness of internal systems of control

PG said that the old 1998 Regulations had been superseded by the Audit and Accountability Act

It was agreed that Mr Gallie had done a first class job. It was proposed by PG, seconded by TC and unanimously resolved that the Internal Audit had been carried out effectively.

c) To resolve to appoint Mr David Gallie Breage Parish Council Internal Auditor from 2015 to 2020

The ruling on this is that the Auditor must be re-appointed after serving 5 years. The Clerk reported that Mr Gallie had spent two days doing a thorough job in examining a huge amount of paperwork. **It was proposed by TC, second by TA and unanimously resolved that Mr David Gallie be appointed as Breage Parish Council Internal Auditor from 2015 to 2020.**

d) To resolve to give approval for submission of Section 1 Statement of Accounts to the Audit Commission

Mr Gallie had checked these figures. **It was proposed by PG, seconded by PD and unanimously resolved that approval be given for submission of Section 1 Statement of Accounts to the Audit Commission** The Clerk had signed the document before audit. The Chairman signed this section of the form and the annual accounts statement.

e) To complete and to resolve to acknowledge completion of and to give approval for submission of Section 2 Annual Governance Statement, items 1-8 to the Audit Commission

The Chairman worked through each item and each box was completed with a yes apart from the final box which was regarding trusts and was therefore not applicable and was marked N/A. **It was proposed by TC, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved to give approval for submission of Section 2 Annual Governance Statement, items 1-8 to the Audit Commission.** The Chairman and the Clerk signed this section of the form.

f) To review Financial Regulations

As this had been reviewed the previous year it was felt there was little to discuss. There was some discussion regarding the excess under 1:14 but it was agreed that this should remain as £5,000. **It was proposed by PG, seconded by TC and unanimously resolved that reference to the 1998 Act under 1:15 be removed and replaced by the Audit and Accountability Act 2014.**

g) To review Financial Risk Assessment

It was proposed by TA, seconded by GH and unanimously resolved that A (vii), Direct expenditure capability of the Clerk be increased from £200 to £500.

h) To review Asset Register

It was proposed by TA, seconded by TC and unanimously resolved that the bench at Wheal Vor be included in the list of benches.

i) To resolve to authorise bank signatories for the coming year

It was proposed by GH, seconded by TC and unanimously resolved that the 3 current bank signatories: HB, TC and CR should continue as signatories for 2015/2016.

j) To resolve to approve May payments

(i) Items 4-15, 27, 28 and 30-32 are normal payments

SC confirmed that he had checked the payments. It was proposed by CR, seconded by TA and unanimously resolved that items 4-15, 27, 28 and 30-32, listed below, be approved for payment.

(ii) Items 24-26 and 29 must be resolved thus: In pursuance of the power conferred by Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of this section and is in the interests of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure, the Council approves the following payment: items 24-26 and 29

It was proposed by CR, seconded by TA and unanimously resolved that in pursuance of the power conferred by Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of this section and is in the interests of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure, the Council approves the following payments: items 24-26 and 29 listed below.

TA; TC; PD; and CR did not vote on the following item as TA is the Chairman of Carleen Village Hall, TC is Ashton Village Committee Chairman, PD is the Parish Council's representative on the Carleen Village Hall Committee and CR is the Parish Council's representative on the Breage Playing Field Committee They declared non-registerable interest as these groups are to receive grants.

(iii) Items 16,17,18,20,21,22 and 23 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 16,17,18,20,21,22 and 23

It was proposed by GH, seconded by RWB and unanimously resolved by voting Councillors that 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 16,17,18,20,21,22 and 23 listed below.

(iv) Item 19 must be resolved thus: In pursuance of the power conferred by Local Government Act 1972 Section 145 and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of this section the Council approves the following payments: item 19

It was proposed by GH, seconded by PG and unanimously resolved that in pursuance of the power conferred by Local Government Act 1972 Section 145 and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of this section the Council approves the following payments: item 19 listed below.

(v) To discuss the funding of the VAS base at Breage and to resolve to pay the full cost of £1,000

Discussion followed. It was agreed that the Parish Council was not in a position to ask for the VAS to be in certain places for certain amounts of time but it was asked if it could be asked roughly how many weeks the VAS would be available for Breage. It was proposed by PG, seconded by TA and unanimously resolved that up to £1,000 could be spent on the VAS base at Breage.

no.	Name	cheque	Service/item	Net	VAT	Total
6	Mrs C L Macleod (Amazon)	103507	Plastic mesh barrier netting Praa Sands	£62.98		£62.98
7	BT	dd	Mobile	£17.50	£3.50	£21.00
8	BT	dd	Telephone	£20.06	£4.01	£24.07
9	Martin Luck Group Ltd	103508	Stationery	£62.22	£12.44	£74.66
10	Open Spaces Society	103509	Annual subscription	£45.00		£45.00
11	Shaw and Sons	103510	Receipts books Cemetery fees	£71.80	£14.36	£86.16
12	Cornwall Council	103511	Rates Cemetery - balance	£336.00		£336.00
13	R Sanders	103514	2 cuts Cemetery/B&G greens/2 cuts Field	£330.00		£330.00
14	Playsafety Limited	103513	Play equipment inspection	£145.00	£29.00	£174.00
15	R Sanders		SWCP first cut	£552.95		£552.95
			Footpaths 2/1;3/1;13/1;15/1;16/5;17/3;19/1;39/1; 21/1;51/1;51/1;53/1;60/1;61/1;62/1;63/1;64/1;78/1; 81/1;81/1; Stiles 3/1;6/3;10/1;13/1	£357.83		£357.83
		103512		£910.78		£910.78
16	Ashton Snooker Club		Section 19 The Local Government Act (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976			
		103515	towards repointing building	£500.00		£500.00
17	Ashton Village Committee		Section 19 The Local Government Act (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976			
		103516	Towards PA system	£400.00		£400.00
18	Breage Playing Field		Section 19 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976			
			Towards towards repair/renewal and cutting back path edges	£1,000.00		£1,000.00
19	Breage Silver Band		Section 145 The Local Government			
		103518	Act 1972 Towards running costs	£600.00		£600.00
20	Breage Village Hall		Section 19 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976			
		103519	Towards storage cupboard	£200.00		£200.00
21	Carleen Village Hall		Section 19 The Local Government Act (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976			
		103520	towards water boiler	£300.00		£300.00

no.	Name	cheque	Service/item	Net	VAT	Total
22	Godolphin Community Centre		Section 19 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976			
		103521	Towards insurance and licences youth group	£300.00		£300.00
23	PSDCC		Section 19 The Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976			
		103522	Towards further kitchen updating	£1,000.00		£1,000.00
24	Victim Support Cornwall		Section 137 The Local Government Act 1972			
		103523	Towards help in Court for victims, family and friends from Breage Parish	£50.00		£50.00
25	Cornwall Air Ambulance		Section 137 The Local Government Act 1972			
		103524	Towards assistance for Parishioners in need	£250.00		£250.00
26	CAB Penzance		Section 137 The Local Government Act 1972			
		103525	Towards assistance for Breage Parishioners who need help	£50.00		£50.00
27	DGL Gallie	103526	Internal Audit 2014-2015	£150.00		£150.00
28	E Thomas	103527	Computer assistance	£25.00		£25.00
29	The Royal British Legion		Wreath To be laid Godolphin VE Day Victory weekend			
		103528	Section 137 The Local Government Act 1972	£35.00		£35.00
				£6,861.34	£63.31	£6,924.65
4A	Mrs C L Macleod	103505	Salary April			
5A	PO Ltd (HMR&C)	103506	PAYE	£291.60		£291.60
5A	PO Ltd (HMR&C)	103506	Employer's NI	£153.48		£153.48
				£445.08		£445.08
27	Mrs C L Macleod	103529	Travel 18.5mils @53p	£9.80		£9.80
28	Mrs C L Macleod	103530	Petty cash reimbursement	£42.54		£42.54
29	P Treloar	103531	Caretaker salary April	£32.00		£32.00
				£7,390.76	£63.31	£7,454.07

k) To acknowledge Receipts

Precept: £24,500; Council Tax Support grant: £1,809.40; Admin: £5
These were acknowledged.

l) Clerk to provide Bank balances

As at 30 April 2015: Current Account reconciled: £13,305.10; Tracker Account: £42,085.14; Petty cash: £107.46; Total including Petty cash reimbursement: £55,540.24.

16. FOOTPATHS

PD reported that all was all right at present. TB raised the matter of giant hogweed on Bridleway 47 and asked if it could be included in the Praa Green and triangle cut.

It was proposed by TB, seconded by PD and unanimously resolved that Praa Green and the triangle plus the hogweed on 49 be cut.

TA asked about the stiles at the Sparnham turn, path 62. PD said that the stile there does not conform to how stiles should be on public footpaths. The Cornish stone stile is just there as an island. Mr Gordon is not happy with the wooden stiles. The matter that it should be a kissing gate and not a stile was raised and PD is to obtain a definite answer if possible.

17. CEMETERY

a) Item in closed session

18. HIGHWAYS

a) **Road Closure Porthleven Masked Ball 2 May 2015 10.00 hours to 3 May 2015 14.00 hours Beacon Road, Porthleven**
There were complaints about the noise from this event. It was noted that the sign posts were not Cornwall Council signs.

19. STREETLIGHTING

a) **Final documentation received listing work required**

b) The following 9 lights have been adopted by CC:

028BA; 029BA; 037BA; 061BA; 063BA; 080BA; 081BA; 088BA (This one still to have lantern replaced); 092BA

c) Clerk has requested a quote for the following work:

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

20. SAFETY CHECKS

- a) To review safety checks to the play area, Breage Playing Field
 - b) To review safety checks Street furniture
- It was agreed that both safety checks are satisfactory.

21. ANNUAL REPORT**a) To approve Annual Report for circulation**

The Clerk explained that no reports had been received from the Breage Allotment Group or from the Affordable housing Councillors. **It was proposed by TC, seconded by GH and unanimously resolved that the Annual Report 2014/2015 be approved for circulation.**

22. GODOLPHIN ARMS

- a) The nomination for inclusion in Cornwall Council's list of assets of community value has been accepted – details listed
- b) Intention to Sell also received

23. PRAA SANDS

- a) Cornwall Council will be going to tender seeking bids from companies for the toilets at Praa Sands
- b) Beach and Sand Dune Management Plans – draft Site Report Visit received
- c) Cllr Board had supplied a response to this which had been forwarded but nothing further had been received.

24. RISK ASSESSMENT 2015**a) To carry out Annual Review, authorise any amendments and resolve to adopt**

The Risk Assessment had been circulated to Councillors. After discussion **it was proposed by TA, seconded by TC and unanimously resolved that no amendments needed to be made to the Risk Assessment.** It was noted that the check on the Clerk's office would be carried out once HB had returned.

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

Breage Playing Field – RoSPA report

The Clerk listed the findings that need attention, reporting that she had sent these and the recommendations to the Field Secretary.

1. Rotten timbers need attention
2. Basketball post – warning notice required
Projecting bolt thread
Backboard – cut off and file down rough edges
3. Multiplay junior – Strimmer damage to supports
Rope ends not secure
Repair rotting timber and replace damaged wood
4. Toddler tower – Metal excessive erosion
Support at side corroded through – replace item
Timber rotting – replace
5. Rocker sealions – Worn ground areas – make good
6. Rocker tractor – Missing – replace
7. Tower Castle – Item's bolts loose – tighten fixtures and fittings

SC Sewage problems Praa Sands beach. Before 1990 millions were spent but the trouble has returned. Raw sewage is visual. TB – a legal eye needs to be kept on it. SC If it rains sewage overrides into water courses. TB had spoken to Cllr Keeling and had been told there is no provision for extra work. She will contact him again.

Carleen Village Hall

PD reported that there is a soup and pudding lunch on Friday 15th from 12 non to 2 p.m.; Saturday is Quiz Night,; the following Saturday at 8 p.m. Those Magnificent Men; 6th June Flea Market

TC A lorry has hit a 30 m.p.h. sign in Hendra Lane, at Hendra Close.

TB Re. Cllr Keeling's comments on the rock armouring at Praa Sands she is following progress and photographing it. It has been dismantled and the stones dug out. She had asked the workmen who is paying and it is them and the architect. The wok on the bund at Greenways had not been done. PG There are 5 or 6 inches of sand back but – TB it is going again.

26. REPORT FROM CLERK

- a) There was a response from DCH about brambles on their side of the Old Coach Road, Breage. The information regarding the overgrown brambles has been passed to their housing officers Debbie Ould and Vanessa Watson. If there are any further issues regarding the landscape maintenance of the area and the estate their contact numbers are:-0300 123 8080 Ext 2626 (for Debbie) or Ext 2209 (for Vanessa). There was no response to the letter to the owner on the other side of the road.
- b) Silt has been left by BT near the drain at the bottom of Pengersick Lane. The Clerk has tried to get a response from BT but no joy yet. CC says that BT has to deal with it.
- c) PAT testing – The Clerk has managed to get Helston Electricals to agree to do the PAT testing. They will come on 8 May – a little later than due but the first time available.
- d) There were problems on the computer with the HMR&C account and the Clerk could not update for the end-of-year and new year. After a long time of trying all that HMR&C said was that a programme to deal with the ZIP files was needed as this is what was causing the problem. The Clerk found some on-line but none worked so she had to phone Liz Thomas for assistance. She named a programme but Norton would not let it be used. After a few more hours by going round everything and using Liz's help, the Clerk was eventually able to download the new update. However, the computer needs a thorough sort-out and Liz is coming to do that in a couple of weeks time, hence the £25 payment.
- e) The Clerk received the following message from Dave Tapsell, Enforcement, 01208 265669, (Bodmin), regarding the placement of the caravan, Clover Meadow, Breage. He said that the Enforcement is still open and current but there is a new case officer. There is an extremely high case load at the moment. He says to ring if need be.
- f) Ashton Amenity Field –The Clerk received an apology from the Treasurer about non-contact. She said she has not forgotten but has her daughter at home with her leg in plaster and she is really busy at work. Another Trustees' meeting is needed and she will try to arrange that ASAP.
- g) Bus shelter – The Clerk has put in the request for a grant and that will be responded to asap.
Meanwhile – a hardstanding has to be installed. The Clerk asked if permission could be given for the Handyman to do this, if he is permitted by CC, once the grant is confirmed. There is some tarmac there, JK has checked but it will need a bit more concrete or something. The area has to be 300m bigger in width and length than the shelter measurements. **It was proposed by TC, seconded by SC and unanimously resolved that the Handyman be permitted to do the hardstanding for the new bus shelter if the grant is obtained and if CC permit him to do it.**
- h) Car Park FOI request. The request was made and there was a phone call had a phone call reply - CC is obtaining the Freedom of Information details that were requested. However, the belief that it is not legal to raise revenue through car parking fees is not correct. Apparently Mr Pickles got it wrong in his statement and this only refers to on-street parking charges, not off-street in car parks!!

- i) A394 - A further update on the Sithney Common Hill Traffic Lights problem. There are temporary works taking place next week with a view to reopening the closed lane on a short term basis in time for Flora Day. Thereafter works will start on the permanent solution. The timings on the lights are to be adjusted to minimise the inconvenience. If the problem with the lights continue to cause disruption please phone Phil Martin, the Ward member for Sithney, 01736 763272 or Mobile 07474824929.
- j) The Chairman has been invited to a Civic Service Helston 7 June at 3 p.m.

27. CORRESPONDENCE

Coastline Housing – National homes for Britain
 SLCC – Larger Councils' Conference –/General Election
 CC – Rural Highway Inspection and Maintenance
 Fowey Festival – Family Fun 9/10 May
 Cornwall Armed Forces Day – Torpoint 20 June
 Rsn - Roundup of news last 12 months
 Rsn – weekly news 20 April 2015
 MEP – Press release
 Rsn – Rural Vulnerability Service Fuel Poverty April
 Get Active Cornwall - Ideas to get you started
 Rsn weekly news
 Open Spaces Society – Manifesto for the general election May 2015
 CRCC – Reaching Communities Buildings – help with the Lottery
 CC – Notes of Local Council Planning Conferences
 Rsn – Rural Vulnerability Service – Rural Broadband April 2015
 PCDT – April e-bulletin
 Signpost Cornwall – Latest news
 Rsn – Rural Housing Spotlight
To note any correspondence received since the agenda was published
 Cornwall Sports – Cornwall Beach Games – enter a team
 PCDT – bulletin
 SLCC – bursaries
 CC – Library and One Stop Shop update
 Vital Venues – newsletter
 Local Government – news
 Helping Hands – Dementia
 Clerks and Councils Direct – magazine
 National Trust – invite to become a Member

28. MATTERS FOR INCLUSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

The Council notice board at Carleen has rotten plywood at the back that needs replacing and the door has warped. The Clerk asked for a resolution to permit her to get this repaired, to be confirmed on the next agenda. **It was proposed by TA, seconded by GH and unanimously resolved that the work required on the Carleen notice board be carried out by the Handyman.**

Japanese knotweed on path 41 and Chy an Dour, Praa Sands. The Clerk has reported this; CR asked what can be done about the brambles along the Old Coach Road out of Breage. The Clerk had written to the farmer but had received no reply. It was agreed that nothing further could be done; Clerk's gratuity.

29. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 2 June 2015 at 7.00 p.m.

This was confirmed.

30. 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 SC 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

31. HANDYMAN'S REVIEW AND HOURLY RATE UPDATE

The Handyman was satisfied with his current rate of payment but will increase it next year. It was proposed by TC, seconded by GH and unanimously resolved that the Handyman's hourly rate remain the same and that he be thanked for his work.

32. CARETAKER'S REVIEW AND SALARY UPDATE

As the Caretaker had not yet completed a year's service it was proposed by GH, seconded by RWB and unanimously resolved that there be no increase in his salary at this time.

33. BUS SHELTER CLEANING REVIEW AND FEE UPDATE

It was proposed by TA, seconded by RWB and unanimously resolved that the fee for bus shelter cleaning remain the same.

34. CEMETERY

- a) To discuss latest matters following request to CALC and make any necessary resolutions regarding Cemetery fence
 After lengthy discussion it was proposed by PG, seconded by SC and resolved with one vote against that the solicitor now be engaged.

35. PENSION MATTERS

- a) To resolve to appoint a contact
 A pension scheme must be in place by 2016. With PG's agreement it was proposed by TC, seconded by GH and unanimously resolved that PG be the contact regarding the forthcoming Pension Scheme.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.05 p.m.

BREAGE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION HELD DURING THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
IN THE PARISH ROOMS BREAGE ON TUESDAY 5 MAY 2015

At 6.59 p.m. the Chairman invited members of the public to put forward any concerns they had, or issues they wished to make known to the Parish Council, in regard to any items on the agenda.

Many of those present spoke about planning application PA15/02486. Those Parishioners who spoke were in objection to the application and had objected to Cornwall Council. The main concern was that these buildings would take up an historic area of green open space. It was felt that nothing should be built there.

Other reasons for objection were given:

These houses would be amongst listed buildings, especially the Church;

No idea of scale is given;

Country parkland and walks are not needed as these are already in place in Breage;

There would be a garage right outside one Parishioner's back garden wall that would block out the light;

The look of the village would be completely changed in a damaging way;

This is a Conservation Area and the green centre of Breage Village should always be there;

Totally inappropriate and out of place;

Traffic concerns – another entrance onto Higher Road that is already busy;

There is already a Playing Field;

Not wishing to live next door to it;

Possible flooding due to the increased flow of water;

Breage House has a sewage treatment plant but that still overflowed in heavy rain and ran right down the road, past the pub and down Shute Hill;

Would not be affordably priced for Breage;

Houses do not look anything like the rest of the old part of Breage they would be in;

Recently houses for sale have been on the market for 2 years or more and have not been sold;

There is no call for these additional large houses;

The Affordable homes at Penbro Way have children to support the school;

The houses have verandas completely out of context with any of the surrounding homes;

The houses would get in the way of the view of the Church from the A394 – a view that visitors found fantastic, both during the day and at night when the floodlights were on at the Church. The Church is one of the thousand best English churches.

It was also noted that no letters had been sent to the people living in close proximity to the proposed site. This is probably because the address was given as Vicarage Row instead of Higher Road.

The architect for the applicant spoke in support of application PA15/02486 saying it is a legal location plan and an OS drawing. 75% of the site area would be open space but it does not have to be. There would be a sewage treatment plant and he felt there would be plenty of area for absorption and it would not be a problem on that site.

The applicants for planning application PA15/03733 asked for Council's support. The building has a low roof that has suffered 30 years of rain egress. It was reroofed 4 years ago but the problem has not been solved. It is wished to raise the roof top be rid of the problem.

The applicant for planning application PA15/03399 spoke about her wish for a replacement dwelling.

Public Participation ended at 7.18 p.m.