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1st Sunday Kennack Sands Beach Clean, 10am - 11am 2<sup>nd</sup> February

2nd Monday Parish Council Meeting, Methodist Chapel, 7.30pm 10<sup>th</sup> Feb

3rd Tuesday Soup, Pasty & Pud, Methodist Chapel, 12.15pm 18<sup>th</sup> February

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Quiz in the Village Hall, 7.30pm 25<sup>th</sup> February

Mon & Thurs Short Mat Bowling, Village Hall, 7.00pm

Tues & Thurs Yoga, 6.00pm - 7pm. Rec Pavilion led by Tanya Strike
Every Weds Clinical Pilates 4.45-5.45pm, Village Hall led by Clare Girling
Every Thurs Market and Refreshments, Village Hall, 9.00am - 11.30am

#### FEBRUARY (SEE "WHAT'S ON" FOR DETAILS)

2 February Kennack Sands Beach Clean 17th-24th February School Spring Half Term

19-22nd February Charlie and the Chocolate Factory - Ruan Revellers at the

Village Hall - 7 pm

28<sup>th</sup> February RNLI Quiz, Village Hall - 7pm,

#### **ADVANCE DATES**

21 March Grade Ruan Spring Flower Show at Ruan Minor Village Hall

30 March-12 April Easter School Holiday

10 April Good Friday 8 May Flora Day

8 May Early May Bank Holiday

9 May VE Day 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, Village Hall 23-24 May May Festival Ruan Minor Recreation Ground

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Please send contributions to the Editors' email address shown below. Paper contributions can be put in the Gazette Box at Ruan Minor Stores. The deadline is the 18th of the month prior to publication.

Articles may need to be split over more than one issue, and might be edited.

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# Noticeboard

A belated Happy New Year to everyone and hopefully an end to the wet and windy weather!

On behalf of the Committee I must say a huge thank you to Moira Hurst who has edited the Gazette for eight years. The last bumper edition in December was her final production.

Moira has been a brilliant Editor and I thank her not just on behalf of myself and the Gazette Committee but also all the contributors and advertisers she has supported so efficiently and patiently over the years. Do turn to page 19 as Moira reflects on her time with the Gazette and how it operates.

#### Sally Watts

Happy Birthday in February to: Ian Henn, Richard Drummond, Carrera J, Esme A-C, Thomas Bosustow, Jordan Jane, Bob Watson, Abby J, Katey Jane, Robert Drysdale, Greg Bird, Ellie R, Chas Deacon, Alice Harry, Paul Farrari, Chris Hunt, Angela Jane, Jessica Sealey, Jowan B, Aaron Goddard, Jack T-B, Fiona Fletcher, Tim Birchmore (a leap year birthday so good news for Tim this year!)

#### From Jenny Stevens

I would like to send heartfelt thanks for all the support and messages of condolence from near and far, on the death of my lovely partner and friend David Leggett.

#### From Vicky McClarity

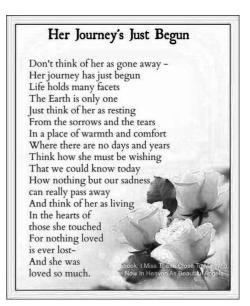
Me and my family would like to say a heartfelt thank you for all the love and support we have received since the sudden passing of my dear mum Shirley.

Our hearts are truly broken, it's not just me that has lost a huge part of my life but I know the Cove has lost another legend too soon. Cove will definitely not be the same again.... thank you to everyone who attended mum's funeral and gave her the send off she deserves.. she would of been overwhelmed by the amount of people who walked with her on her last walk up the hill. I know I was.

All I can say is I truly believe that she passed away with a broken heart from losing dad. I'm reassured to know they are together again forever... so go get him 'my lover!'

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#### A NOTE FROM THE SPRING SHOW COMMITTEE

#### From David Endean

Hello everyone, plans are well advanced for the Spring Flower Show happening in the village hall on Saturday 21st March. The schedules will soon be appearing in the village shop and from the village hall on market days and from anywhere else who are willing to display them.

I thought I would give you a heads up on a few of the classes this year. We are returning to have a class using a given recipe and this year it will be Ginger Fairings. They are lovely when they still have the slightly chewy bits of peel in them. You still have plenty of time to practice them and I am told that they are a particularly good dunking biscuit.

The themed class in the floral art section which will receive the Jo Aplin trophy will

be titled baking. So get your creative caps on to incorporate cooking utensils etc. this was an extremely popular class last year with 22 entrants.

We are also including a group entry class once again. This year the theme is climate change and this theme runs through many parts of the schedule this year. In the group entry we ask for a craft article, some biscuits and a floral arrangement all with accessories to portray the theme all displayed within a 24" x 24" space. Each part will be judged separately then the cumulative score will give the placing.

There will be all the usual daffodil classes and do not be afraid to enter if you're not sure what class a particular daffodil should be in as help will be at hand on the day. Please come join in

#### From Jane Helder

My sister Joanna and I have been going to Cadgwith all our lives. I first went when I was 4 months old and so have our children and their children. Our grandfather, Herbert John Hasler, was in the Navy and when he retired was Chief Coastguard in Cadgwith. Our mother and her family lived in the coastguard cottage with the bay window and she went to Ruan Minor school. Once a week she walked to the Lizard for a piano lesson. She remembers dancing upstairs in the building at the back of the Rectory at St Ruan and was very fond of the Rev Henry Vyvyan. She was heartbroken when she was 17 and they had to leave. Thank goodness my sister Jo bought Rambo's Cottage!

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or pop in on a Thursday morning to see what's going on.

#### **SHORT MAT BOWLS**

Sessions are held on Monday and Thursday evenings at 7.00pm. It doesn't matter whether you're a beginner or seasoned campaigner, come along and have a go. It's only £1 per session and you get tea, coffee and biscuits thrown in. Spare bowls are available.

For more information call Steve Griffiths on 290154

#### **OUIZ NIGHT**

Quizzes are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month and fun for all the family. It's £1 per person including tea, coffee and biscuits or you can BYO if you prefer. The contest begins at 7.30pm. Any changes to dates will be notified on the Village notice boards.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

Check on the Hall and Village notice boards for details of the many special events held in the Hall throughout the year.

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This year the theme for Jo's bowl is Baking Claire is arranging an 'Open House' at

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## **Eulogy for Christine**

#### 9th October 1938 - 30th November 2019

I'd like to begin by saying thank you on behalf of the family to all of you who have joined us here today to celebrate the life of Christine Jane and to say farewell to a unique and wonderful woman. It's humbling to see just how many lives she touched. We are also acutely aware that the last few months — and this week in particular — has been a very difficult time for our community, and we would like to extend our deepest condolences to all those who have suffered their own loss.

Where to begin? There are too many memories, too many stories to be told, and not enough time to even scratch the surface. Today we can only tell

a small part of the whole, but each one of us can forever treasure our own memories of Christine and keep our own stories of her close to our hearts.

Christine was born to Winnie and Herbert William Webster on the 9<sup>th</sup> of October 1938, in St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, London. She was the eldest of four daughters and is survived by her three sisters: Linda, Rosemary and Josephine. Rosemary and Josephine are with us in the Chapel today. Linda is in New Zealand with her family, but sends her thoughts and prayers to all.

Christine remained in London until she was 12, when the Webster family moved to Cornwall. Even at that young age she had already lived through the bombing raids of World War II and the hard years of reconstruction that followed, so it's easy to imagine what a paradise Cornwall must have seemed to her in comparison, and to understand how she came to love the county so deeply.

Her family settled in Camborne, where she attended Bassett Road School. Christine left school at 15 and began her working life alongside her upholsterer father at the Mundy furniture factory at St. Ives. She contracted pleurisy when she was 17 and had to spend a year at home recovering. The silver lining was that the ordeal sparked her interest in becoming a nurse.

Christine returned to London to study nursing at Highlands General Hospital, then trained as a midwife at Freedom Fields Hospital in Plymouth. She moved back to Cornwall and joined the staff of Bolitho Maternity Home in Penzance as Sister-in-Charge, where she spent the next several years delivering literally hundreds of babies. It's a measure of how highly she was regarded that many of those same babies — now in their 50s — have sent messages of condolence and support to the family.

In 1963 Christine met a handsome young Helston boy by the name of Ronnie Jane at the Flamingo club in Camborne. An 18-month courtship followed, which included a great deal of dancing, romancing and some spectacularly unsuccessful driving lessons. Ronnie maintains to this day that the only reason Christine passed her driving test was because she was wearing her nurse's uniform when she took it!

Ronnie and Christine were married on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 1964 and began a journey together that would last 55 years. They set up home first in Marazion and then in Helston, where Christine became District Midwife. In quick succession, they produced 4 gorgeous children: Susan, Bruce, Katey and Steve. At which point Ronnie decided enough was enough and bought a television set.

In 1974, the Janer clan moved from Helston to Cadgwith, where Ronnie's family has roots stretching back generations. It's a testament to the strength of the family unit they built together that all four of their children and the majority of their grandchildren remain within walking distance of the family home to this day.

All these dates and these details are the simple facts of Christine's life, but they can't begin to describe the woman who lived it. If any life could be summed up in just two words, Christine's words would be "love" and "kindness". In her choice of a career, in the strength and longevity of her marriage, in the way she raised her children to be the fine and decent adults they are today, love and kindness defined everything she did.

Her devotion as a mother never faltered — Christine remained a constant source of comfort and wisdom for her children throughout their lives, and will continue to guide and protect them through the lessons she taught them and the memories she created with them.

When her children were very young, Ronnie and Christine would drive them to chapels and church halls across Cornwall, where the youngsters would entertain congregations with their beautiful singing. Some of the very funny rehearsal tapes from back then suggest that getting the four of them to sound so angelic was not always easy, but the legacy of her efforts is that she could be sung into the chapel today by the voices of her own children, and she would have loved that beyond words.

In later years, Christine took great pride and joy in her grandchildren. She loved baby-sitting them when they were younger, and as they grew she was always there with a smile and a word of advice and encouragement whenever it was needed. All you grandchildren are here today, and every one of you should know that you gave her many years of happiness. Your Grandma lives on in your memories of her.

Her love and her kindness showed in the care she provided for animals of all descriptions, too. Not many youngsters get to share their bathroom with a recovering gannet, or their kitchen with an assortment of guillemots and razorbills, but that was a privilege the Janer children enjoyed. And that was in addition to the endless procession of other animals that benefited from Christine's care: Sally Seaweed the dog, Polly the Parrot, Gertie and Baby the goats, Creamy the horse, the jackdaws, the terrapins, the badgers and many, many more besides.

Her love and her kindness were not confined to her own home. She was deeply involved in village life, helping to set up Ruan Minor Youth Club and acting as Secretary of the Junior Football Club, putting on pantomimes and carnivals, organising day-trips for the village kids to Carn Brea leisure centre and setting up Wednesday Night BBQs in the Cove – the list goes on, and you can only marvel that one person could have had so much to give to so many. The number of messages we've received from people who were touched by her kindness when they were only children themselves has been both heart-warming and hugely appreciated.

So love and kindness, absolutely. But also humility, loyalty, courage and grace. Christine never sought the limelight, she never had an unkind word to say about anyone, and she dealt with the inevitable set-backs and tragedies of life with a quiet and uncomplaining dignity that should serve as an inspiration to us all. She leaves behind a legacy of precious memories that will live on forever in the hearts of her family and of all those who were fortunate enough to know her.

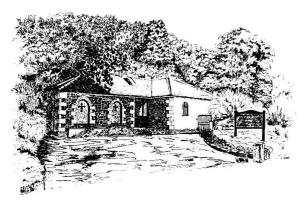
I began by thanking you for gathering here to celebrate Christine's life, and that is exactly what she would have wanted us all to do. Despite our inevitable sorrow, we should take comfort from and celebrate the fact that Christine lived a long, full and happy life in a village she adored, with her beloved husband by her side and her children and grandchildren close at hand. Her very nature meant that she would have hated to be (in her eyes) a burden on anyone, and though the shock of her sudden passing is so very hard for us to bear it also means that this profound wish was granted to her as one last gift for her to give.

She loved deeply and was deeply loved in return. She will be missed forever.

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#### The Grade Ruan Gazette:

#### **Onwards and Upwards**

#### by Moira Hurst

The first Gazette I edited was the May 2011 issue. As most of you know, I have now stepped down, leaving the Gazette in the capable hands of Sally Watts and Lizzie Heather who will share the editing more or less 50:50 from now on. Sally of course has been sharing the editing with me for years and long may she continue in the role. Welcome to Lizzie; we're lucky to have her on the team.

There's a great team involved in producing and distributing the magazine:

Peter Martin, Treasurer. Peter deals with the accounts most efficiently and ensures that the Gazette remains solvent. He chases advertisers for payment where necessary and does any sundry jobs that crop up from time to time. Peter has been instrumental in keeping costs down and steering the Gazette to calm financial waters.

David Gascoigne, Distribution Manager. David receives the Gazettes from the printer and then packs them up ready for the local distributors. He delivers packs to some of the distributors, and leaves packs in Ruan Stores for collection by others. He maintains accurate records of the distribution rounds so that a backup can do the round if necessary. He makes the job look easy but a lot of work goes into it. Janet Gascoigne helps David and takes on ad hoc jobs where she can.

Judith Green, Subscriptions Manager. Judith ensures that the Gazette reaches subscribers who receive their Gazette by post. Many of the subscribers have lived in the area in the past and like to keep in touch via the magazine.

Distributors. The Distributors are listed on page 4. They go out each month in all weathers to ensure that the Gazette is delivered to every address in Grade Ruan Parish, whether it's a private residence, holiday let or business.

Claire at Ruan Stores. Claire keeps the "magbox" in the Store. People can leave written items for the Editors or Treasurer in the box. Claire also makes space for David to leave bags of Gazettes to be collected by distributors.

Editing the Gazette is quite time consuming so generally the editors don't have time to write articles as well. There is a good backbone of regular contributions from local organisations and the Parish Council. Readers are always interested in more ad hoc contributions in the form of memories and photos of times past, as well as news of current events and residents' activities. Please help to provide variety by submitting articles and photographs for publication.

Events being hosted by non-commercial organisations based in Grade Ruan can be advertised in the "What's On" section of the Gazette free of charge.

When I started in 2011, the Gazette was all in black and white; then Peter arranged for colour covers to be introduced and now we have colour wherever appropriate.

The Gazette is available on-line (www.cadgwith.com/gazette) but at present there is no plan to move away from paper copies.

May I thank the Committee for presenting me with a lovely Christmas hamper as a good bye gift — your kindness and thoughtfulness are greatly appreciated. Thanks also to everyone who has helped me over the years. I'm not disappearing completely and will still be taking a great interest in the magazine and possibly contributing from time to time. Being involved with the Gazette has been most enjoyable and it's good to see it continuing to have a place in the community. Bye for now - here's to a long and interesting future for the Gazette!



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More about Lizard Wireless Station: Although small in size this unassuming hut (situated near Bass Point) holds a wealth of history. In 1900, the Marconi Lizard Wireless Station started as a research station for Guglielmo Marconi – a pioneer in early wireless communication. Along with his team Marconi developed technology on this remote Cornish clifftop that paved the way for today's instant world-wide



communication. The station later became the first coastal station to handle a ship's distress call under the newly adopted SOS signal, saving the life of all of those on board. During WWI & II it served many purposes; listening to enemy transmissions; communicating with airships; and housing for staff from nearby RAF Pen Olver. After the wars, the building was privately owned and known locally as the Marconi Bungalow until 1995 when the National Trust acquired and restored the hut with the help of the Trevithick Trust; it opened to the public in 2001.

# Fancy becoming a Wildlife Watchpoint Volunteer?



We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help share the magic of the Lizard's incredible wildlife with thousands of visitors from all over the world. With the sight and sounds of the Cornish chough flying past, the regular appearance of charismatic Atlantic grey seals and a wide variety of other passing seabirds and marine life, there is always plenty to spark interest.

Welcoming and inspiring visitors is a key part of the role; as well as helping people get great views through the telescopes, you'll help share interesting information and amazing stories about wildlife; while also recording your sightings as part of our citizen science project. This role is a great opportunity to learn more about the natural world and the part we can all play in encouraging wildlife to thrive.

You don't need to be a wildlife expert to join the team, you just need a friendly weather-proof personality; be willing to learn and happy welcoming and talking to lots of people. Training provided.

Availability: on average 4-5 hours once a fortnight between mid-March until the end of October.

N.B. Please note, for both roles under 18s would need to be accompanied by an adult.

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# Lifeboats VISITOR CENTRE NEWS

On 9th February 1923, the last in a long line of large sailing ship wrecks in Lizard waters occurred when the German ship, 'Adolph Vinnen' sank in 12 meters of water in Green Lane Cove, just under the Bass Point Signal Station.

The 'Adolph Vinnen' was a five-masted 'barquentine' built in Kiel. Germany in 1922. She was 79.9 metres in length and was powered by sails and two 350 hp 4-cylinder diesel engines. She was designed for a crew of 45 and was on her maiden voyage from Kiel to Barry where she was due to be loaded with coal.

At approx 17.00, the vessel was driven by a vicious southerly gale and blinding rain into the cove where she lay battered by the storm with the heavy seas continuously breaking over her.

Called out by rocket, the Lizard Lifeboat, RNLB FREDERICK H. PILLEY, made her way to the scene in the most difficult of conditions under the guide of Coxswain Richard Stephens.

Unable to reach the lee side, the lifeboat anchored to the windward and flung a grapnel on board the stricken ship. She lay like this for over an hour with the storm continually lifting the Lizard boat as high as the 'Adolph Vinnen's' rail and twice nearly washing her over the rail and on to the ship's decking.

The 'Adolph Vinnen's' captain, Captain Muller, eventually called Coxswain Stephens to draw away as the rocket apparatus teams had established a line on board from the shore and rescue of the crew would be carried out by breeches buoy.

In the conditions, it was not possible for the lifeboat to recover to Polpeor and she was forced to make her way to Falmouth where she arrived at midnight, seven long hours after call out. Conditions had been so bad that Coxswain Stephens had to call the roll twice during the shout to ensure that no crew members had been washed overboard!

RNLB FREDERICK H. PILLEY was, in fact, called out to the wreck again the following morning to attend whilst the remaining crew were evacuated by breeches buoy and, with its work done, the boat had to make for Falmouth once more, as recovery to Polpeor was still too dangerous.





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In 2019 we collected 143 black plastic bags of waste from all the beaches and area around at Kennack Sands. Items were sorted, recycled where possible and reusable items donated to the Salvation Army Charity Shop in Falmouth.

**TAKE YOUR LITTER HOME** is still an important message we need to get across to all beach users. A significant number of local beach users and visitors continue to enjoy the freedom to camp and light fires but broken glass and fire sets remain a significant hazard.

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#### Singing by candlelight



Local singers Angela Agutter Thomas, Alison Goldsack, Wendy Elliot, Sally Ellis, Mark Outten and Pat Palmer were part of An Lysardh Christmas Choir at the candlelit service of Nine Lessons and Carols held at St Keverne Parish Church. This was the fifth successive year that An Lysardh Christmas Choir, comprising singers from across The Lizard under the direction of Andrew Woods, has led the service.

With St Keverne Church being the largest church on the Lizard Peninsula it seemed appropriate that choir numbers on this occasion had swelled to over 40, with some of the sopranos providing descants for several of the carols. As well as the traditional congregational carols, An Lysardh also sang six separate pieces ranging from the quiet and contemplative *Lully, Lulla, Lullay* to the rhythmic West Indian carol *The Virgin Mary had a Baby Boy.* Landewednack Church organist Ann Bradbury accompanied the choir and congregation on the organ and keyboard and also played two flute solos. Members of the choir including Wendy and Pat read the Lessons, with the Reverend Peter Sharpe who also led the prayers, reading the final Lesson.

The service was a very special event for Lydia Massey as not only was it her 11<sup>th</sup> birthday, but she got her dearest wish of being invited to sing the first verse of *Once in Royal David's City* solo. Lydia, who is a member of Cornwall Girls' Choir, appeared to show no nerves and sang the well known words beautifully. She was the star of the evening but her mother Charlotte also provided some sublime moments with her rendition of *Jesus Christ the Apple Tree* and her soprano voice soared over the choir in the spellbinding final bars of the aforementioned *Lully, Lulla, Lullay*.

The church was full to capacity with extra seats being required, and there was a magical atmosphere with 460 candles and a variety of decorated Christmas trees placed around the church's interior. Local campanologists rang the bells before and following the service. Afterwards mulled wine, fruit juice and mince pies were served, and the sound of singing was replaced by that of happy chatter. The retiring collection raised £460.10 which is being split between St Keverne Church funds and Sowenna (Cornwall's first NHS mental health unit for adolescents.) Andrew Woods is hoping to hold a similar service in December 2020 with the location yet to be revealed!

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#### A Quiz for Winter

- 1. "Now is the winter of our discontent" is from which play
- 2. The Winter Palace can be visited in which city?
- 3. Name the James Bond actor film debut in The Lion in V
- 4. Which fruit has a variety called 'Winter Banana'?
- 5. Which winter sport is sometimes known as "the roaring yarner;
- 6. Chionophobia is the extreme dislike or fear of what?
- 7. In which month does winter begin in the Southern Hemisphere?

#### **Answers to the Christmas Quiz**

- 1 Which monarch made the first Christmas Broadcast? George VI
- 2. Which country invented Eggnog? Medieval Britain
- 3. What are the origins of the name Boxing Day? Church Alms Boxes
- 4. What did the Kremlin send MI6 in their Christmas Hamper? A Mince Spy
- 5. Who is the Patron Saint celebrated on 26th December? St Stephen
- 6. In what year was the first Christmas Card printed? 1843
- 7. Which Saint introduced carols in churches? St Francis of Assisi

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#### **Rector's Ramblings**

#### The Way of peace

t's a new year and new decade, whatever that means. Who knows where it will lead us? For my part, I realise that I have thrown a spanner into the works by announcing my retirement by August this year and Mike Britton will also be standing-down as our Lay Youth Minister in August.

I seriously do not know what this will lead to in the parishes which I look after. There will be a process, with the Diocese, to reflect on where we are and how we can shape our future. It will not be entirely in the hands of the parishes, because it will need to take into account the needs of the other parishes in our locality and the ability to match vision with resources – both within the parishes and within the Diocese.

It will be an opportunity to reflect on what we really are and what we really value. Usually it is a time when people pull together and discover that they can do more than they realised. But it is also a time to refrain, where possible, from major projects – reflection requires time, communication and prayer (lots of prayer).

Jan and I will be in the same place, as we face the practical challenges of moving and the deeper challenges of discovering what God is calling us to in this next stage of life.

Many scriptures come to mind at this time: words of encouragement (God is for us and with us), as well as words of challenge. But the words that have settled in my heart as I prayed about this letter come from Luke, where Zechariah speaks of God's calling on his son, John the Baptist, and the Saviour that he would announce ...

"... because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." (Luke 1:78-79)

The changes and challenges of the coming year may sometimes seem narrow and restrictive. But in God's tender mercy they can be a real blessing if we discover the gift of walking together in the way of peace. There may be times when we want to go off in our own way, but in Jesus there is a way of peace for us together. Its boundaries are marked out by Truth and Love ... and the presence of Jesus himself in his Spirit.

Yours in Christ

#### Peter Sharpe, Rector

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| Church of England Services |   |         |  |  |  |
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| February                   | _   |         |  |  |  |
| Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>        | Morning Praise, St Ruan Church                              | 11.15am |  |  |  |
| Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>        | Holy Communion, St Ruan Church                              | 9.30 am |  |  |  |
| Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>       | Family Service, St Ruan Church                              | 11.15am |  |  |  |
|                            | Evening Praise, St Mary's Church, Cadgwith                  | 3pm     |  |  |  |
| Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>       | Holy Communion, St Ruan Church                              | 9.30am  |  |  |  |
| Wed 26th                   | Ash Wednesday   |         |  |  |  |
|                            | Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes St Wynwallow Church | 7pm     |  |  |  |

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Well Skinny took control of the microphone for both of the most recent quizzes, alas I fear control of the quiz goers was another matter!

November's quiz saw some bonfire night themed rounds as you may expect, a round on Scotland to celebrate St Andrews Day plus a top ten of Carry on films ending in E or G, how did Carry on Camping come out on top!

December's quiz as you may expect was all Christmas themed, with rounds on pantos as well as a picture round where you had to name all the actors playing the pantomime dames.

Unusually there was a second picture round where you had to name the Christmas films from the still shot given, there were 20 of those plus an obligatory Christmas anagram round.



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Contact Lorraine on: 01326 291226 or lorrainewickens3@gmail.com The quizzing was as usual very tight and the Cliffhangers rose to the top. Looking back at past years they seem to do well in December, I think they must really like Christmas.

Alas the Jumblies have to polish the wooden spoon for another month

#### **December Results**

| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Cliffhangers           | 79. | 5pts |
|-----------------|------------------------|-----|------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Just us lot            | 79  | pts  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Universally Challenged | 75  | pts  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Fox and hounds         | 74  | pts  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Scilly Old Fools       | 68. | 5pts |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | The Jumblies           | 64  | pts  |

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# Gardening in February

by David Endean

Well we have turned the corner now the days are lengthening fast and I am getting that urge to start

sowing seeds and taking some cuttings. The snow drops have dripped and the fields are being descended upon by armies of daffodil pickers. But one thing which has not changed is that it is still raining day upon day interspersed with the odd decent one to get a few jobs done. At this time of year you need a spell of weather from the north to dry things up but that will mean that it is much colder.

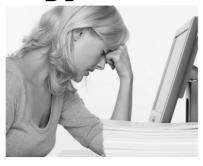
I have got several jobs to do this month, one of the greenhouses still needs a thorough clean down ready for the next growing season. This will be a case of emptying it out entirely. Then washing all the glass with a soft broom and cloth using warm water and Jeyes Fluid, this is then rinsed off as otherwise it leaves a foggy film on the glass. Those crevices where the glass overlaps can be a real pain to clean. I find the best thing is a piece of thin plastic, I use a piece from a washing up liquid bottle or shampoo bottle, there is something just right about them as they are pliant and strong, margarine tubs tend to snap! There you go the voice of experience!

Next I move on to the staging using a scrubbing brush and cloth using the same liquid concoction. Once the major items are in the greenhouse I shut it all up and light a sulphur candle then leave it for the night( do not use a sulphur candle if you have any plants in the greenhouse). Nothing goes back into the greenhouse unless it has been washed. I do not recommend you do this job if you are going out in the evening as even if you strip off all your clothes and have a shower you will still smell the the Jeyes around you and I am sure your company will also, I fear it's not the best cologne in the world.

I also have a path which is suffering from a lot of weed and algal growth so that will need to be treated with soft garden disinfectant /cleaner. Mix this in a watering can and apply using a rose to get a finer dispersal of droplets then let it do its magic. Be very careful of any run off and overspill as this will kill the grass in the lawn. This is why you use a rose on the watering can rather than the sprayer as you would be much more likely to get drift with the sprayer.

My sweet peas are sown now but there are lots of other things I am getting ready to sow. I have decided this year to vastly reduce the number of bedding plants that I will grow. Finding homes for the excess is becoming increasingly difficult and for many things like fibrous begonias, busy lizzies and the like it is cheaper to buy them, often from a supermarket, than you can produce them yourself. The downside is that you have no choice in the variety which is available.

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e-mail: info@cadgwithcovecottages.co.uk Website : www.cadgwithcovecottages.com I still have some seeds to purchase but have a lot left over from last year as I got some very good deals, but in the end I did not find time to grow everything and most of them should still be fine they are kept in air tight tins.

It is far too early to be sowing directly into the soil outside, remember February is our coldest month, it is when the sea is at its coldest and we are governed so much by the sea around here. I am itching to get on with a bit of sowing and the first things I will sow are lettuce, pointed cabbage, broad beans, spring onions and peas, these all need little to no heat so the cold greenhouse will be fine. The peas and beans will go directly into small pots of fresh potting compost, the cabbage and lettuce will go into seed trays and will later be pricked out into modules and the spring onion will either be sown direct into modules or a large pot or tub.

I will also start off a batch of hardy annuals in modules as well, things like cornflowers, pot marigolds, Nigella (love in the mist) and Godetia they are all easy and fill gaps.

Well there are some ideas for February best get out there and enjoy your gardening.





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#### Recreation Ground News

See us on Facebook: "Grade Ruan Recreation Ground"

Now that Christmas and New Year are out of the way, it's business as usual for the Recreation Ground. After a break, yoga classes re-start at the beginning of February on Tuesday and Thursday evenings - if you are interested, please contact Tanya (you can find her details on facebook).

The Pavilion bar continues to be open every Friday evening from 5pm until 8pm for Fish and Chips. There are "home" football matches for Ruan Minor FC on Saturdays: 25th January, 1st February, 22nd February and 29th February, kick-off at 2.30pm.

Euchre league matches take place on Thursdays: 30th January, 13th February and 27th February, at 8pm. Also darts matches on Thursdays: 6th February and 12th March, at 7.30pm (after yoga).

In addition to these we will be showing all the "6 Nations" rugby matches, starting on Saturday 1st February and finishing on Saturday 14th March.

It is gratifying to see the shelf behind the

bar filling up with trophies, although I understand most of the football cups will need to be returned soon - but we are hoping the "Old Boot" will remain a permanent fixture! However, the darts team won a cup recently - so that's another one to fill any gap!

We are making a start on planning for our annual May Festival - maybe with a few changes - hoping to make it better than ever for this year! Dates will be Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th May. As ever, this event needs a lot of volunteers to organise and run - all offers of help will be gratefully received!

We are pleased to be able to welcome Jake Scolding as a new member of our committee. If anyone else is interested in joining the committee, or offering practical help with staffing the bar, or any of our other events, you would also be most welcome!

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#### **Happy New Year!**

We hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and have rested well. We have all fallen back into routine and have returned to GRU5's ready for the Spring Term.

January is always a quieter month but we have welcomed a new little boy to the setting, Oscar and have another under

two due to start. Reden - welcome to both!

We are now full on a Wednesday and almost at capacity on a Monday with very limited space on a Tuesday and Friday. We also welcomed some new parents and their children to our Stay and Play sessions which is really lovely.

February will see us celebrate Valentines Day as we think about those near and far — and of course pancake day — yum!

Half term will be Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February. Please note we ARE open on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.



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#### RUAN MINOR FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS



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Happy New Year to you all and since our last update we are now 4th in the Combination League, having played 4 games of which we won 3 and lost one. For those who weren't at the match, or haven't heard, on Boxing Day we travelled across to onion land to contest the 'old boot' where RMFC ran out winners in a well

fought derby match that could have seen the result go either way in testing weather conditions. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Craig Pollard – Manager from Lizard FC for a great game, their hospitality and efforts in getting the game played.

So our results over the festive period were as follows:-

7/12 – Away to Culdrose – Lost 3-0

26/12 – Away to Lizard – Won 1-0 – Goal Scorer – Gavin Perraton. Man of the Match – Will 'Captain Good Looks' Trewin.

4/1 – Home to St Agnes – Won 6-0 – Goal Scorers – Gavin Perraton 3, Jack Green 1, Chris Ensink 1 & Sam McWilliam 1. Man of the Match – Jack 'Smooth Operator' Burtenshaw.

11/1 – Away to Marazion – Won 1-0 – Goal Scorer – Jowan Shainberg. Man of the Match – Jack 'Smooth Operator' Burtenshaw.



Our fixtures for the forthcoming months are as follows:-

25/1 Home to Hayle: 2.30pm K/O 22/2 Home to Rosudgeon: 2.30pm

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Minutes of the Grade Ruan Parish Council Extraordinary Meeting held at the Sunday School Room, Methodist Chapel, Ruan Minor on the 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at 18:15.

#### 127/19 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Agutter, S Collins, Green, Lee, Stephens.

Apologies: Cllrs P Collins, Fleetwood, Freeman.

Absent: Cllrs Clifton, Harry, Trewin.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk); Cllr Rule CC; 2 members of the press/

public.

#### 128/19 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations.

Cllr Stephens declared an interest in PA19/07834. Cllr S Collins declared and interest in PA19/08142.

129/19 Public Participation. None.

#### 130/19 Planning Applications for consideration.

**PA19/06772**: Proposed Replacement dwelling. Mr Jane. Chy Ula, Treleague, Ruan Minor, TR12 7JR. The Council supported the application subject to a tree survey being conducted. Proposed. Seconded. 4 voted in favour, 2 against. Clerk to respond

\*Cllr Stephens left the room

**PA19/07834**: Lawful Development Certificate for Existing Use to prove property has been sub divided and used for holiday let. James Bligh. Vine Cottage Annexe Cadgwith TR12 7JU. The Council objected to the application on the following grounds: The use of the site is in breach of original planning permission and has thought to have been for approximately 18 months. It is inappropriate use and the procedure for obtaining permission was not followed correctly. The Council believe that the original permission for use as a single dwelling is appropriate and therefore the lawful development certificate should not be granted. Proposed. Seconded. Unanimous. Clerk to respond

\*Cllr Stephens re-entered the room. Cllr S Collins left the room.

**PA19/08142**: Application for Certificate of lawfulness for an existing use, namely the use of building as a dwelling/holiday let. J Wilson. Land Adjacent Coth Lytherna Cadgwith TR12 7JY. The Council objected to the application on the following grounds: a certificate of lawfulness should not be granted as the 'existing use' referred to is thought to have been in place for just 2 years – and not as stated since 2012. The Council therefore approached this application as if it were an original planning application and opposed this on the following grounds: over development of the site which is in a conservation area; poor highway access; not serving local need; the building is insufficient for use as a dwelling. Proposed. Seconded. Unanimous.

Clerk to respond

Cllr S Collins re-entered the room

PA19/07718 & PA19/07719: Storm porch, new windows and door openings and new rainwater goods. Repointing and roof repairs to a listed building and Listed

building consent. A Pittaway. Man O War Cottage Cadgwith TR12 7JU. The Council supported the applications. Proposed. Seconded. Unanimous.

**PA19/09063**: Outline planning permission with all matters reserved. Detached single dwelling and garage. I Middleton. The Granary Ruan Minor TR12 7NA

The Council objected to the application on the following grounds: the proposal constitutes development in the open countryside and contravenes the principles of the AONB; the building would not be in-keeping with the hamlet; highways access is on a 'blind bend' and is dangerous; there are no amenities (no main drainage), with close proximity to neighbouring drainage and spring water systems; an unsustainable location with no local services nearby - bus service; shop etc; there is potential to set a precedent for further building in the open countryside and expansion of the hamlet. Proposed. Seconded. Unanimous.

**PA19/08407**: Replacement extension and retrospective change of use of Guest House to dwelling. B Lane. Kennack Bay Road From Kuggar To Polstangey Bridge Ruan Minor TR12 7LU. The Council supported the application. Proposed. Seconded. Unanimous.

**PA19/09364**: Fix Marley Eternit Cedral lap cladding (dark grey) to 2 gable ends of garage; 4 gable ends of bungalow; replace wooden panels on south face of south wall and larger face of north wall. Mr and Mrs Allen. Riverside St Ruan TR12 7JS The Council supported the application. Proposed. Seconded. Unanimous.

**PA19/08918**: Garage Conversion and Extension to Form Self-Contained Unit for Family Accomm' and Occasional Holiday Use. Mr and Mrs Holmes. Yesnaby Prazegooth Lane Cadgwith TR12 7LA. Application withdrawn.

131/19 Planning Applications decided since last meeting.

**PA19/03885**: Development of 4 houses. Land at The Beach Kuggar TR12 7LX [REFUSED]

**PA19/04980**: Conversion of Polstangey Piggery (an outbuilding of Polstangey Praze) into a 1 bedroom holiday let. Polstangey Praze Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7LS [APPROVED]

**PA19/05124**: Outline permission for proposed residential wooden cabin (in relation to on site rural business) with some matters. St Ruan Croft Ebeneezer Road Ruan Minor TR12 7LW [WITHDRAWN]

132/19 **Pre-applications, consultations, appeals and enforcement cases. CONSIDERED** writing to Enforcement to request a follow-up liaison meeting following February 2019 meeting.

**RECEIVED** a consultation notice for a Housing Supplementary Planning Document. No response was considered necessary.

A Planning Conference is being attended by Cllrs Harry & Lee on 13<sup>th</sup> November. Clerk/Chair to action

133/19 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. None.

The meeting closed at 19:20

# Minutes of the Grade Ruan Parish Council Meeting held at the Sunday School Room, Methodist Chapel, Ruan Minor on 11 November 2019 at 19:30.

#### 134/19 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Agutter, Clifton, S Collins, Green, Harry, Lee, Stephens, Trewin.

Apologies: Cllrs P Collins, Fleetwood, Freeman. Cllr Rule CC.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk). 2 members of the press/public.

#### 135/19 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations.

Cllr S Collins declared an interest in item 16: Todden.

#### 136/19 **Public Participation**.

J Mudford updated the Council on thoughts about the gate at Little Todden and whether permission is required or not.

137/19 Reports from outside bodies. None.

#### 138/19 Council Meeting: Minutes 14 October 2019

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the above date having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Cllrs S Collins/Trewin. 7 voted in favour, 2 abstained: Cllrs Clifton, Green. No matters arising **NOTED**.

#### 139/19 Grant Request: Helford River Children's Sailing Trust

**RECEIVED** as above for up to £775 towards sailing provision for up to 25 children from the Parish and **RESOLVED** to award £250 as per last year. Cllrs Agutter/Trewin. Unanimous.

#### Clerk to action

#### 140/19 Finance report and Payments

**RESOLVED** to adopt the most recent Finance Report and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:

| Mr L Carter       | Cleaning                   | 20.00  |
|-------------------|----------------------------|--------|
| EDF Energy        | Lighting                   | 15.00  |
| Ruan Minor FC     | Grass cutting at play area | 50.00  |
| Helford River CST | Grant                      | 250.00 |
| Staffing          |                            | 568.26 |

Cllrs S Collins/Stephens. Unanimous.

Clerk to action

#### 141/19 Christmas Trees purchase

**RESOLVED** to purchase a tree for Ruan Minor (by village hall) and a tree for Cadgwith, as last year and to delegate ordering to the Clerk. Cllrs S Collins/Agutter. Unanimous.

Clerk to pursue

#### 142/19 VE Day 75th anniversary commemoration

**CONSIDERED** a national programme of commemoration and **DISCUSSED** local arrangements. An event on 9<sup>th</sup> May at the Village Hall was considered to be a good idea. Cllr Agutter to lead and to investigate community support.

Cllr Agutter to pursue

#### 143/19 Play Area list of works

**CONSIDERED** as above, including signage regarding dog fouling. Quotations to come forward to the next meeting.

Cllr Preston to action

#### 144/19 Clerk availability 15th November-5th December

**NOTED** that the Clerk is out of the country and unavailable between the dates above. Cllrs Preston and Green to be the points of contact during that time.

#### 145/19 Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report.

- a) **RECEIVED** an update on Highways actions from the previous meeting: Ducks Alley maintenance issues and discussions are ongoing.
- b) **RECEIVED** feedback on works to prevent parking at alley entrance at Cadgwith Cove and **CONSIDERED** the Council's position. Bollards or a kerb were not favoured as this would restrict transportation of Gigs. The Council favour paint on the road; "Keep Clear" or a painted footpath. Clerk to Respond. Cllr Preston to contact contractor
- c) **CONSIDERED** other reports: Contractor to cut:
  - 1) hedges along Prazegooth lane adjacent to Common land ('the Bank') from Kinsale cottage to the coast path;
  - FP2 to Barn Hill;
  - 3) the section of FP25 linking out to the coast path.

Leak repair at FP2 to be undertaken by landowners, new drainage to be installed and Council to be approached for potential contribution;

Signpost rotten and stile not usable near Prazegooth:

FP14 (step height too high for many people);

Dog waste bin damaged at Kennack Sands;

Coastline noticeboard in Glebe Place (near Doctor's surgery) has suffered storm damage and lies on the ground.

Clerk to report; details to be forwarded by Cllr Clifton

#### 146/19 Reports from Council representatives to outside bodies.

**NOTED** reports including a written report from the Predannack Airfield Conservation meeting; a written report from the Community Network Panel meeting which included discussion about 'Dark skies designation'; initial notes from the Culdrose liaison meeting in Ruan Minor on 31 October. Approved minutes will be circulated. Councillors discussed the agenda items, such as night flying and overflying. A number of suggestions were noted for taking forward long term. The Council wish to be added as a consultee to any Planning applications at Predannack airfield. Clerk to action

#### 147/19 Notification of meeting/items for agenda: 9 December.

**NOTED**: Budget/Finance update; VE Day update; Play area works quote; FP drainage contribution; Bus shelter land ownership.

148/19 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

**RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable that the press and public be excluded and instructed to withdraw during the discussion for the following items: commercially sensitive information; personal data. Cllrs Lee/Stephens. Unanimous.

#### 149/19 Enclosure of Common Land at the Todden

**RECEIVED** an update. CC officer to be contacted to visit the site and clarify position.

Clerk to action

#### 150/19 Fishing Cellars (Fort York) Update

**RECEIVED** an update. The survey and report will be shared with fishermen and the owners. Cllr Green to action

#### 151/19 Fishing Cellars (Steamers) Survey

**RECEIVED** an update as above awaiting full report from RTP Surveyors. Survey to be shared with owners when forthcoming. Cllr Green to action

The meeting closed at 20:55.

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# Minustes of the Grade Ruan Parish Council Meeting held at the Sunday School Room, Methodist Chapel, Ruan Minor on 9th December 2019 at 19.30

#### 152/19 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair), Agutter, P Collins, Fleetwood, Freeman, Green, Harry, Lee, Stephens, Trewin.

Apologies: Cllrs Clifton, S Collins,. Cllr Rule CC.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk). 2 members of the press/public.

#### 153/19 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations.

Cllr Agutter declared an interest in PA19/09968.

#### 154/19 Public Participation.

J Shields gave context to PA19/09442, including detail on how the proposal had taken into account AONB feedback.

155/19 Reports from outside bodies. None.

#### 156/19 Extraordinary Council Meeting: Minutes 11 November 2019

**RESOLVED** that the above Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. No matters arising **NOTED**. Cllrs Lee/Green. 5 voted in favour, 5 abstained: Cllrs P Collins, Fleetwood, Freeman, Harry, Trewin.

157/19 Council Meeting: Minutes 11 November 2019

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**RESOLVED** that the above Minutes of the Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. No matters arising **NOTED**. Cllrs Lee/Green. 7 voted in favour,3 abstained: Cllrs P Collins, Fleetwood, Freeman.

158/19 Staffing Committee meeting minutes: 5th December 2019

**NOTED** the draft Minutes and resolutions therein as above.

159/19 Finance Committee meeting minutes: 5th December 2019

**NOTED** the draft Minutes and resolutions therein as above.

160/19 Planning Applications for consideration

**PA19/09442**: Conversion of Redundant Agricultural Barn to Form Single Dwelling. V Spruce and J Shields. OS Field 3294 Grade Road Ruan Minor.

The Council opposed the application on the following grounds: AONB opposition should be upheld; the proposal constitutes residential development in the open countryside; concern that approval will set a precedent for further residential development at other sites in the open countryside and the paraphernalia associated with this, such as refuse, domestic curtilage, vehicles, infrastructure; the proposal does not convert a traditional barn, but a modern building which does not contribute to the character of the area. Proposed and seconded. 7 voted in favour, 3 against. Clerk to respond

\*Cllr Agutter left the room

**PA19/09968**: Alteration to existing dormer windows to form inset balconies, installation of 1 roof window to north west elevation. C Holden. Bay View House Treworder Lane Ruan Minor TR12 7JL.

The Council supported the application. Proposed and seconded. Unanimous. Clerk to respond

\*Cllr Agutter re-entered the room

**PA19/10186**: New Maintenance and Service Building. ARA Architecture. Mullion Holiday Park. Penhale Ruan Minor TR12 7LJ.

The Chairman had visited the site and discussed on-going contact and treeplanting with the site Manager. The Council supported the application. Proposed and seconded. Unanimous. Clerk to respond

161/19 Planning Applications decided by the Planning Authority

**PA19/08407**: Replacement extension and retrospective change of use of Guest House to dwelling. Kennack Bay Road From Kuggar To Polstangey Bridge Kuggar [APPROVED]

PA19/08918: Proposed Garage Conversion and Extension to Form Self Contained Unit for Additional Family Accommodation & Occasional Holiday Use. Yesnaby Prazegooth Lane Cadgwith [WITHDRAWN]PA19/07718 & PA19/07719 Storm porch, new windows and door openings and new rainwater goods (and listed building consent). Repointing and roof repairs to a listed building. Man O War Cottage Cadgwith Ruan Minor [APPROVED]

**PA19/06772**: Proposed Replacement dwelling. Chy Ula Treleague Crossroads Ruan Minor [APPROVED]

**PA19/09364**: Fix Marley Eternit Cedral lap cladding (colour C15 dark grey) to the two gable ends of the garage; 4 gable ends of the bungalow; and replace existing wooden panelling on south face of south wall and larger face of north wall. Riverside St Ruan Ruan Minor TR12 7JS [APPROVED]

**PA19/09063**: Outline planning permission with all matters reserved. Detached single dwelling and garage. The Granary Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7NA [REFUSED]

162/19 Pre-applications, consultations, appeals and enforcement cases. None.

#### 163/19 Grant Request: St Keverne Parish Church Council

**RECEIVED** as above. The Council felt that further information and a bespoke grant application should be reformed and resubmitted which explains how funds would be used for youth work in the parish in particular. **RESOLVED** to request a submission as detailed. Cllrs Green/Trewin. 8 voted in favour, 1 against: Cllr Stephens; 1 abstained: Cllr P Collins. Clerk to respond

#### 164/19 Local Government Act 1972 s.137: RBL Poppy Appeal

**RESOLVED** to use s.137 to award a grant of £100 to the above appeal. Cllrs Agutter/Fleetwood. Unanimous. Clerk to action

#### 165/19 Finance report and Payments

**RESOLVED** to adopt the most recent Finance Report and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:

| Mr L Carter      | Cleaning                   | 20.00   |
|------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| EDF Energy       | Lighting                   | 15.00   |
| Ruan Minor FC    | Grass cutting at play area | 50.00   |
| RBL Poppy Appeal | Grant                      | 100.00  |
| Williams Travel  | Christmas Coach            | 300.00  |
| Tregaminion Farm | Christmas Trees            | 300.00  |
| RTP Surveyors    | Building survey            | 1200.00 |
| Staffing         | • •                        | 543.91  |

Cllrs Green/Lee. Unanimous. Clerk to action

#### 166/19 Budget 2020/21

**CONSIDERED** the recommendations of the Finance Committee and **RESOLVED** to set a budget for a total expenditure of £26,980 and to generate a total precept of £22,325 (current year = £21,965). Cllrs Freeman/Lee. Unanimous. Clerk to action. Clerk to plot a graph of precept since 2010

#### 167/19 Bus shelter land ownership

**NOTED** information that the land is designated as Highway and should therefore be available for public use indefinitely.

#### 168/19 Adoption of Red Telephone kiosk

The premature removal of the telephone box in Ruan Minor was unwelcome and attempts are being made for its reinstatement. **RESOLVED** to adopt the Ruan Minor (should it be reinstated) and Kuggar Red telephone kiosks for £1 each. Cllrs Green/Trewin. Unanimous.

#### 169/19 Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report.

- a) **RECEIVED** an update on Highways actions from the previous meeting:
  - A site meeting was held with Cormac's Mike Peters, Helen Gilligan and Cllr Preston in which drainage and surfacing at Ducks Alley was investigated awaiting proposals from Cormac; signage for restricting HGV in Cadgwith was also investigated awaiting draft proposals from Cormac.
- b) **RECEIVED** an update on FP2 drainage works. No water pipe leaks have been discovered at the adjacent property and the field owner has verbally expressed a desire to install a land drain to take water away from the public footpath. Cllr Preston to approach field owner
- c) RECEIVED feedback from Grade Ruan Community Trust regarding Treleague verge and CONSIDERED the Council's position. The Council agreed that wildflower verges needed some management and that the Trust were not currently in a position to deliver that at Treleague verge. It was noted that other verges in the parish could become wildflower projects if people come forward to manage these.
  - Clerk to contact contractor
- d) **CONSIDERED** other reports: hedges around the recreation ground need trimming; the tree wardens are currently studying the content of a new government document "Managing England's woodlands in a climate emergency"; the surface of Chapel Terrace is deteriorating and it was suggested that CC should adopt and maintain this under s.228 of the Highways Act (1980).
  - Clerk to investigate CC adoption of Chapel Terrace

#### 170/19 Reports from Council representatives to outside bodies.

**NOTED** reports including from Friends of Kennack Sands AGM where erosion of the road and dog waste were issues raised. Dog waste is also an issue at the Recreation Ground. A meeting is being held on 30<sup>th</sup> January about a potential Lizard Peninsula Dark Skies initiative – Cllrs Harry and S Collins to attend. Clerk to ask Cormac when inspection is due. Clerk to contact dog warden

#### 171/19 Notification of meeting/items for agenda: 13 January.

**NOTED**: VE Day update; Play area works quote; Dog waste at Recreation Ground; Play area fence; Clerk annual review.

#### 172/19 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

**RESOLVED** that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable that the press and public be excluded and instructed to withdraw during the discussion for the following items: commercially sensitive information; personal data. Cllrs Lee/Fleetwood. Unanimous.

#### 173/19 Enclosure of Common Land at the Todden

**RECEIVED** an update. CC officer to meet with Cllrs on 16<sup>th</sup> December. Clerk to notify owners

174/19 Fishing Cellars (Fort York) update

**RECEIVED** an update.

175/19 Fishing Cellars (Steamers) survey

**RECEIVED** an update as above – the survey has been received and will be shared with the owners as appropriate.

Council also raised the prospect of the Winch House being up for sale at a future time, and the position of the Council should this occur. There was consensus that the Winch House is an important building and a valuation should be pursued. Cllr Green and Clerk to liaise to gather quotes

The meeting closed at 21:55.

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