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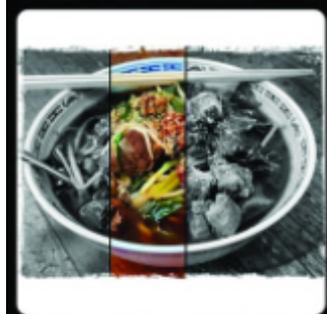
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Alternate Mon	Garden Waste Collection 13 th and 27 th February
Every 4 weeks	Mobile Library: Glebe Place 10.35am-10.50am- 1 st February
Most Mondays	Quiz at the Pavilion from 8pm, Bar opens 7pm
Every Wed	Sunshine Club. Pavilion. 12.30 - 3.00 pm
Every Thursday	Village Hall Market. 9.30 -11.30am
Every Friday	Cornish Hub - Food at the Rec. 5pm onward
Every Saturday	Smashed Tomato Wood fired Pizza at the Rec 5 - 8pm or later
Every Fri & Sat	Pavilion bar open. 5pm onward
1 st Sunday	Kennack Sands Beach Clean. 5 th February
2 nd Tuesday	Book Club at the Rec, 1-3pm. 14 th February
2 nd Wednesday	Parish Council Meeting, 7pm. 15 th February
4 th Tuesday	Village Hall Quiz 7.30. 28 th February

FEBRUARY(See “What’s On” Section for details)

13-17 February Grade Ruan Primary School Half Term

ADVANCE DATES

18 March	Spring Show - Ruan Minor Village Hall
5 May	Flora Day
6 May	King Charles III Coronation
15 July	Annual Charity Folk Day at the Cadgwith Cove Inn, midday until late!



Ruan Minor Afternoon Book Club

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, 14th February

The Pavilion, 1.00 – 3.00 p.m.

£1 admission – Tea and Coffee Available

Discussion of January Book Choices

Contact Mary Keeley by Facebook Messenger or

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Noticeboard

We're all getting used to 2023 now and the prospect of leaving wind, rain and even snow behind us for the special Springs we have here.

As you know we raised the magnificent amount of £305 for Grade Ruan school to purchase playground benches. If you turn to page 37 you can see a photo of the children using them- how lovely to see such an instant result!

Sally Watts

Co-Editor

Happy Birthday in February to:

Ian Henn, Richard Drummond, Trish Cowie, Carrera J, Esme Alfrey-Cryan, Thomas Bosustow, Bob Watson, Abby Jane, Katey Jane, Robert Drysdale, Greg Bird, Ellie Rowe, Chas Deacon, Alice Harry, Paul Ferrari, Chris Hunt, Jessica Sealey, Jowan Bray, Aaron Goddard, T-B, Fiona Fletcher, Tim

From Em, Abi and Tilly Clarke

We three Clarkes of Orient are
One on a surfboard, two in a car.

A huge thank you and congratulations to everyone involved in the production of our dear dad, Graham Clarke's play, Joe Carpenter & Son. A truly magical Cornish thread ran throughout the performance and many tears of laughter and emotion were shed.

Mum and dad would have dearly loved to be there in person but the journey by car (or donkey) was going to be a bit too much.

But it was well worth Abi and Em's 330 mile journey from Kent and Tilly and

Sally's trip from Dorset (with a surf stop in Newquay) - an absolute delight.

It was the perfect encapsulation of everything dad and our family love, and have been so fortunate to enjoy, about your village over many years. A celebration of community, love, humour, wonderful music, beautiful singing and talent, not to mention hard work.

There were so many brilliant performances and everyone on stage and behind the scenes should be very proud.

Thank you so much, we'll never forget it.

Em, Abi and Tilly

From the Sunshine Club

A big thank you to Nicky and all her helpers for the wonderful Christmas lunch at the Sunshine Club on the 14th December, Good food and entertainment made a really enjoyable five star afternoon.

From Nicky Jose

I would like to thank the Grade Ruan Community Trust for the financial assistance given to the Sunshine Club which has made it possible for us to get started and continue to provide a community service. Thanks also to Steve Collins who has provided us with lovely bread for our Soup lunches. We are looking for more volunteers so we can set up a rota. The club runs from 12.30 to 3.00 pm in the Pavilion at the Rec. Please contact me on Tel: 290073 if you think you could spare a few hours on a Wednesday once or twice a month..



RUAN MINOR VILLAGE HALL

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WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE VILLAGE HALL?

WI-FI

Free Wi-Fi is available to all Hall users.

THE THURSDAY MARKET and MONTHLY QUIZ

The Thursday market is open without any restrictions. We look forward to seeing you there! Refreshments are being served as usual including the famous Bacon Sarnie!

The Monthly Quiz is held every fourth Tuesday at 7.30 pm, £1 entry. BYO refreshments, we will no longer be serving tea and coffee in the break..

FITNESS AND WELLBEING

Mondays: 18.00 - 19.30 - Yoga with Tanya Strike

Wednesdays: 17.15 - 18.15 Pilates with Clare Girling

Thursdays: 15.15, 16.15 and 18.00 - 19.00 - Fitness with Sam Jane

Further details from the class providers

SNOOKER ROOM

The Snooker Room is operating without restrictions on numbers. Please check the Village Hall Facebook Page in case the situation changes. A new key system is to be introduced in the near future for the Snooker Room to ensure security and insurance compliance. A key safe will be installed and all paid up members will be provided with the access code.

Outstanding membership fees are now due.

We encourage the use of sanitisers and following the Council and Public Health guidelines of hands, face, space in order to combat any further spread of Covid 19

To get further information, please telephone Liz Outten on 01326 290910 or visit Ruan Minor Village Hall's Facebook Page

What's ON

Ruan Minor Methodist Chapel

Tea, Cake and Company

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For a Chat and Afternoon Tea

Tuesday 14th February 2 - 4 pm

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SUNSHINE CLUB

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The Pavilion, Ruan Minor

FEBRUARY 1st

Games Afternoon

FEBRUARY 8th

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ANOTHER NATURE SIGHTING

Following on from last summer's stick insect sightings our thanks to Ann Birtwistle for this photo.. She said she did a double take and checked she hadn't accidentally had a sherry or two with lunch!

Apparently it's a Leucistic blackbird!

Leucism is a genetic condition where the creature in question doesn't produce enough melanin. This then becomes apparent in the pigment of the feathers and it can become quite striking in birds that are typically all black in colour.

Look out for him, he's very special and let the Gazette know if you see him.

Let us know if you have seen any other unusual flora or fauna locally.

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SAVE THE DATE FOR FUTURE EVENTS:

Saturday 23 February - Gin Tasting 7.30pm

Saturday 6th May - The coronation of King Charles III on TV at the Inn followed by a Right Royal Quiz!

Saturday 15th July - Annual Charity Folk Day Midday until late!

Look forward to hosting you soon

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It's Chougin' Wonderful News

by Cat Lee of the Cornish Chough Conservation Network



2021 marked 20 years since Choughs started breeding again in Cornwall, due to Covid we held off celebrating until this year. On behalf of the Cornish Chough Conservation Network, we want to express our gratitude to everyone who has played a part in the conservation and engagement work to support the successful return of Choughs to Cornwall.



This cultural emblem is important to Cornwall for nature and our heritage. Cornwall's Communities have played a key part in supporting their return, whether through direct involvement with nest protection or monitoring Choughs, land management and conservation work, growing support for this work, sharing the Chough's story or raising vital funds.

We want to say a huge thanks to everyone who has played a part over the last 20 plus years. To say thank you and help celebrate this wonderful milestone we have produced a short video, which can be viewed here: <https://bit.ly/choughs20> please know that, whatever role you have played, you have helped make this happen.

The photo of the person in the Chough costume can be credited to Kevin Bowers.

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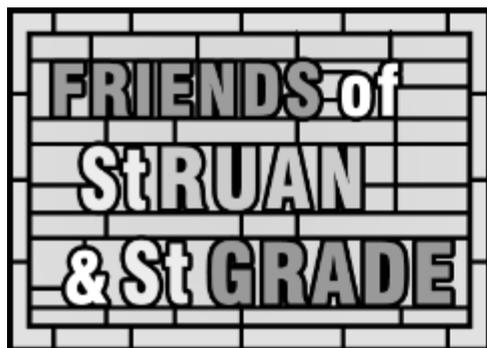
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Brilliant news - we can announce we have reached the half way point in our appeal to rebuild the roof of St Grade Church. Since the Appeal started cost estimates have risen from £100,000 to £140,000 but we are thrilled to be able to announce that the current total of funds raised or pledged is now a fantastic £70,800.

This means we are now in a position to approach grant providers who require half the required funds to be raised. This will still be an uphill struggle as average grants awarded for projects such as this are not high. Once the roof is built we still have other works such as the tower and masonry repairs but the roof is the most urgent priority

We would like to say a special thank you for two recent boosts to our funds.

Very generously the Ruan Revellers agreed that all their profits would be donated to the Roof Appeal. This resulted in an amazing £2,300 and was one of the best Christmas presents we could have received. It was a marvellous production directed by Angela Agutter and we are extremely grateful to everyone involved..

The New Year has also started with another unexpected boost. Just before the deadline for this publication we heard the news that that the Grade Ruan Community Trust have agreed a grant of £2,500 for the Appeal.

It is heartwarming to have such community support for our Appeal and whilst we still have a long way to go it really is a remarkable achievement that so much has been raised and our thanks go to all who have given us so much support and encouragement.

Watch out for more fund raising events this year!

If you can help then please visit our Just Giving Page:
<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/StGradeAppeal>
Or you scan this QR code here which will take you straight to the Just Giving Site.

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News from easyAccessibility Ltd.

By Steve Holyer

RoomMate®

I am often asked how RoomMate® is coming along since my wife, Helen, suddenly passed away over 18 months ago. Helen was the driving force behind RoomMate®, which is an audio descriptive device for visually impaired people to help them navigate their way around a disabled public toilet. Since we won Top Customer Excellence in the 2019 National Rail awards, we achieved much interest and orders came in from rail companies across the country.

I had always taken a back seat with the business and after losing Helen, her daughter Sarah decided to take the business on. Sarah is a full-time nurse in the Accident and Emergency department at Derriford Hospital so this was a real undertaking for her, but she was very keen to keep RoomMate® going as a tribute to her mum. She was having serious health problems herself at the time, so it was extremely brave of her to take it on. We had to try and get into Helen's laptop, without knowing any passwords, but with help from some very clever friends locally, this was achieved and the business continued. RoomMate® does not need any advertising as it seems to sell itself, and the orders have continued to come in. The units are manufactured in Falmouth, and we are currently developing and testing a new sensor which triggers the unit.

HuJu All Terrain Cane Tip

I have recently started a new project, mainly to keep me busy in the winter! As most of you know, I am totally blind and use a white cane, and I've always had problems with the available tips. The bottom tip of the cane scrapes along the ground, and takes the place of your eyes as it is your only real contact with what you are about to walk over or into. I rely entirely on what I feel and hear with the cane tip, so the tip must have very good audible feedback to recognise what it is in contact with.

All the available tips on the market seem to me to have a restricted use, the main problem being that they dig into anything like a pothole or gap between paving slabs etc. I came up with a new design which looks a bit like a ski tip. I had some prototypes made so that I could have them tested before possibly having them manufactured to sell. I selected about 20 visually impaired people around the country to test them and the feedback was very encouraging. One well-known visually impaired blogger tested the

tip for over 400 miles of walking over all different terrain and called it "an awesome game changer".

I decided to have the first hundred tips manufactured and found a small company in Leedstown who would do it for me. I began to sell it on my website, but in the meantime sent a few examples to the Royal National Institute for the Blind for testing. After extensive and exhaustive testing by them, they decided to start selling the tips for me on their website. The tip is marketed under the name HuJu All Terrain Cane Tip. The name comes from my two grandsons, Hugo and Jude.

Although these tips are manufactured for me on a CNC milling machine, each one has to be bent to the right shape with heat. I made up a wooden jig and currently bend each tip, using a kettle and a heat gun! I soon realised that I needed help with producing the packaging and posting off orders, so I enrolled my daughter, Sammy, and she has taken over this job and now basically runs the business for me.



In November, the RNIB ordered 30 tips, followed a week later by another order for 25 and then just before Christmas another 75! As I write this in early January, they have just ordered yet another 75 so presumably the HuJu is proving to be in demand.

So, every time it rains, which is very often at the moment, I get out my kettle and heat gun, and get bending. I just need to make sure that it doesn't interfere with my fishing in the summer!

The Lizard RNLB Lifeboat Station

Monday 2nd January - Our first service launch of 2023 came on Monday 2nd January at 2.58pm when our crew pagers sounded. Under the command of Coxswain Dan Atkinson RNLB Rose launched on service to go to the assistance of a 23ft angling vessel suffering from complete engine failure. With two people on board and in a position of 3 miles south east of Coverack, RNLB Rose arrived on scene and an assessment of the best course of action was carried out. As the vessel was becalmed it was decided to attach a tow and take it back to its mooring in St Mawes. Arriving there shortly before 5pm the vessel was safely placed on its moorings and RNLB Rose made the return journey home arriving back at the station just after 6pm.



Thursday 12th January - Our crew were paged at 7.25pm on Thursday 12th January following a Mayday call received by Falmouth Coastguard. A prompt launch saw RNLB Rose proceeding to a Newlyn based fishing vessel with 5 persons on board in an approximate position of 30 nautical miles south of Lizard Point. The vessel was taking in water and its bilge pumps were not working. Coastguard helicopter 924 was also tasked and was making its way to the scene.

With sea conditions described as poor, RNLB Rose steadily made her way to the position until it was confirmed that the fishing vessel crew had repaired their bilge pumps and were able to manage the ingress of water themselves. This allowed the lifeboat and Coastguard helicopter to be stood down to return to their respective stations. Arriving back at Kilcobben Cove shortly after 9.15pm, RNLB Rose was rehoused and made ready for service again when required.

Up to date news, information and photographs can be found on the station's Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages. On behalf of us all at The Lizard Lifeboat Station we thank you for your continued support.

Lyndsay Bray
Lizard Lifeboat Press Officer
The Lizard Lifeboat Station – 01326 290451



Recreation Ground News



See us on Facebook:
“Grade Ruan Recreation Ground & Pavilion Bar”
Tel: 5671140

THE REC COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!

In April, Gwen, one of the Rec Committee’s representatives is standing down after two years. With Mike also planning to leave in the summer and Mary Keeley having just left, the committee is looking rather thin on the ground.

Hopefully new Council representatives will fill these spaces but what we really need is some proactive people to help run one our biggest community assets. We have a busy old schedule as you know and the latest finance report indicated the Pavilion costs around £500 a week to run (before even opening the doors),

So, with a list of repairs and halted development, we need fund-raisers and proactive people that can help the remaining committee members keep improving what we have and keep it ticking over.

This doesn’t mean you need to volunteer behind the bar (although any help in this area would be welcomed, even if it’s once a month) but we would hope you can fit some admin tasks

around your home/work life and attend monthly meetings.

If you don’t have time to be on the committee but still want to help, here are some things that would really help us out:

- If the volunteers behind the bar are run off their feet, grab a few empties on your way up to the bar
- If you notice the toilet roll has run out then notify a volunteer, or even better replenish from the cupboard yourself
- If you or your children make a mess somehow, then give the volunteers a hand cleaning it up
- See something that needs fixing then tell a volunteer or consider how you could help fix the problem.
- Be patient. Remember this is not a business and people who are volunteering are doing it in their own time and will step away if it becomes too difficult.

We know you spend your hard-earned cash in the bar and deserve to relax and enjoy it, but in the end this is a

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Recreation Ground News, cont.

community building run by volunteers and the more the community can take ownership of this asset and help out, the better it will be.

As I mentioned earlier, a recent financial review showed that the Pavilion costs just under £500 per week minimum to run.

The committee are trying to find ways to reduce this by cutting energy consumption where possible. However, in the next few weeks the committee will be reviewing bar prices to keep these in line with the rises in the cost of buying our products.

With all that said, we have lots to look forward to. The Cornish Food Hub will be serving food from our kitchen every Friday evening for you to enjoy at the

Pavilion or in your home. With a varied menu and a kid's option it is well worth sampling their delicious food.

On most Saturdays from now until the end of March, we will also be hosting the Smashed Tomatoes Pizza Van (from 5:00pm to 8:00pm or later depending on demand). This is great timing as the Six Nations start at the beginning of February. The perfect way to enjoy the rugby with a beer and a pizza!

Jake Scolding
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Three performances of Joe Carpenter by the Ruan Revellers on the 19th and 20th December transformed our Village Hall. People poured in to be entertained and transported to ? well - Ruan Minor and Cadgwith - to witness Graham Clarke's enchanting Nativity Story.

The full list of everyone involved can be found at the end of this article but of course this was Angela Agutter's finest hour from start to finish. The sets were fantastic and a huge thank you to Simon Bradley, Paul Collins and Frank George. The costumes really were amazing and Wendy Elliott and Jean Trimble put a massive amount of effort into ensuring everyone looked their part and had all the props they needed. There was brilliant music, as we have come to expect, from our talented local musicians: Robin Bates, Jonathan Coudrille and Jeremy Wootliff. Between the three of them they managed to sound like a full blown orchestra!

Play Master Jonathan Fletcher kept the whole show on course and with so much happening that was quite a task. Frank George and Jan Halliday as Joseph and Mary did a grand job and delicately got across the irony of their predicament! Jean Trimble as the Angel Gabriel/local postman, managed to 'deliver' an outstanding performance whilst manhandling a bicycle at the same time, no mean feat!

The real show stealers were the enchanting, heavenly host of angels: Isla and Genevieve Bosustow, Hazel Strickland and Summer-Rose Pollard, see the photo on page 21. In the theatrical world they say you shouldn't work with children or animals, no such problems for Joe. The children were brilliant and the animals stuffed! The women bore the brunt, Mary Keeley as Jill Shepherd had a splendid sheep, however the star was undoubtedly Humphrey the Camel who gave Janet Gascgoine a hard time, but she dealt with him admirably - well done Debra Katz!

James Bosustow and Nicky Jose as Landlord and Landlady kept the tempo going

Joe Carpenter, Cont....

with great drinking songs and merriment making even the offer of stable accommodation inviting. See the colour photo on page 23.



The Three Kings were very noble and their costumes splendid. It was a surprise to find out that one came from Birmingham, one from Wales and that the other was in fact King Charles III - perhaps a part of his new role he wasn't expecting! What can't be denied is how richly they sang together, well done to L-R above, Anthony Richards, Paul Collins and Brian Jenkins..

Magic isn't what you normally expect in a nativity play but Simon Bradley literally pulled it out of the box. He never disappoints and it really was an hysterical interlude - he was ably assisted by his very Glamorous Assistant Jill Thomas.

Special thanks to Claire Bollard in The Store who was not only the ticket office but also donated the ice cream served in the interval.

It was very special to have a Christmas Production in our Village Hall in the close run up to the festive season. It was a truly enchanting production which captured



Brian Jenkins as 'Tom Tinker'

the essence of the Nativity story, and so much more, in verse and song. There were well known Christmas Carols for everyone to join in with as well as other songs, all accompanied beautifully by the musicians. 'The Twelve Days of Christmas' - or thirteen in this case - was never sung so quickly and who knew there were all those actions to go with it - you learn something every day! It was a fantastic finale. The costumes, props and attention to detail really were remarkable. It was extremely funny when it needed to be but there were also poignant moments - such as 'Oh Holy Night' sung by Anthony Richards as Old Jack Shepherd, very special.

There have been rumours that this was going to be Angela's last production. After such a success - Never Say Never!

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Joe Carpenter, Cont....



Isla and Genevieve Bosustow, Hazel Strickland and Summer-Rose Pollard,

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Valentine's Day

Available for Lunch & Dinner on Tuesday 14th February, 2023

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TO START

Cauliflower & truffle arancini - pickled cauliflower - rocket - parmesan

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MAINS

Dry aged sirloin steak - tomato - mushroom - peppercorn sauce - fries

Pan roasted cod loin - smoked bacon - tomato - kale - champ potato

Roasted beetroot - goat's cheese and caramelised onion tortellini -pumpkin seeds

DESSERTS

Lemon and passionfruit tart - gingerbread doughnut - clotted cream

Dark chocolate & almond brownie - cherry sorbet - chocolate sauce

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Nicky Jose and James Bosustow centre stage as the Landlord and Landlady surrounded by other cast members, L-R: Jean Trimble, Simon Bradley, Mary Keeley, Mark Outten, Brian Jenkins, Janet Gascgoine, Jill Thomas and Paul Collins.

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Director: Angela Agutter, **Music Director:** Robin Bates, **Music:** Robin Bates, Jonathan Coudrille, Jeremy Wootliff, **Lighting:** Ian While, **Stage Manager:** Richard Curnow, **Set:** Simon Bradley, Paul Collins, Frank George, **Costume/Props:** Wendy Elliott and Jean Trimble, **Front of House:** The Friends of St Ruan and St Grade Historic Church Buildings.

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Dog fouling and left dog poo bags is still a big issue. Dog fouling is not only deeply unpleasant, it is dangerous. Please pick up after your dog!

***Finn not impressed with the bin bag thrown in the hedge!**



**The next beach clean will take place on
Sunday 5th February at 10am.
All Welcome!**

Rector's Ramblings

I have just received received a parcel. It contains a few samples of wallpaper that I had ordered online last week, in my search for the right colour/pattern/etc for the hallway, stairs and landing. A quick glance at the samples has left me disappointed. None of the samples seem to be what I am looking for. They're either too 'blousy'; too dark; too "in yer face"; too over the top; too 'metallic' with silvery bits. So, back to square one! It was only when I was putting the cardboard box, in which the samples arrived, into the recycling that I noticed this printed message on the outside of the box: 'Are you ready to fall in LOVE?' "Strange", I thought; but then I realised I could use this marketing sound-bite for this month's Ramblings!

'For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.' (John 3:16). This month, as we mark St Valentines' Day, we focus on the importance of love. In understanding the way God loves us, this verse shows us how we should love others. God's love is unconditional: God demonstrated His unconditional love for us by sending His Son into this world, to show us how we should love others, especially when it is undeserved!

God's love is sacrificial: God's love is not selfish or self-seeking, but selfless, putting the needs of others first. This is demonstrated by the cross, which is the supreme demonstration of God's love. He died for our sins to give us access to God's love, which is made real in our lives by the Holy Spirit.

God's love is forgiving. According to the film 'Love Story', 'Love means never having to say you're sorry.' Yet Jesus' love for us enables us to forgive others, as we find his forgiveness through the gift of eternal life, available to all who 'fall in love' with him and put their trust in him.

'God is love, and those who live in love live in God, and God lives in them.'
(1 John 4:16).

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February

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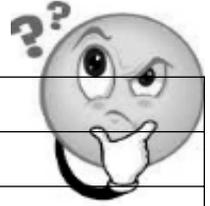
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A Valentine's Quiz



1	Name Shakespeare's most romantic play.
2	The above is set in which Romantic city?
3	Film Shirley Valentine – who played the title role?
4	What is Cupid's name in Greek Mythology?
5	What flowers are traditionally given to symbolise love?
6	Chicago gangster behind St. Valentine's Day massacre.
7	What is the star sign for St. Valentine's Day?
8	Who is the English King who declared St Valentine's Day a holiday?
9	What date is St. Valentine's Day?
10	Who sang the opening theme to "A Fine Romance"?

You can find the answers later on in this Publication on page 41

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HAPPY NEW YEAR everyone and let's hope for a good one! Work on the 'new' cliff lift moves on and things are looking hopeful that the Visitor Centre can be back in business in time for Easter. In the meantime, I thought we might start 2023 with a little 'nautical' quiz:

A FEW 'TIDAL TEASERS'

1. Next year sees the two hundredth anniversary of the RNLI but which is the oldest of the Institute's 238 operational lifeboat stations?

2. How many miles of the UK coastline do the RNLI's lifeboat stations provide safety cover for?

11,000 miles, 15,000 miles, 19,000 miles, 23,000 miles?

3. Name these RNLI lifeboat stations:



A



B



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4. The greatest depth of ocean found on earth measures an incredible 10,984 metres (6.8 miles). In which ocean is this phenomenon situated and what is the specific area of ocean bed called?

5. Where is this?



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6 Irrecoverably sunk in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour on 17th December 1941, with the loss of 1,177 sailors and Marines, what was the name of this American battleship?



7. A fabled character in Hergé's world acclaimed children's comic 'The Adventures of Tintin', this seafaring captain was once president of 'The Sober Sailors Society'. What is his name?

On a more local matter, I came across this photo (overleaf) whilst sorting through some old paperwork the other day. There are a few

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familiar faces on it but does anyone know the year it was taken?

**DAVID GASCOIGNE
VISITOR CENTRE MANAGER**

Answers can be found on page 43

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The Bishop of Truro

We were all thrilled to be able to spend the morning with the Bishop of Truro when he visited our school to meet everyone and lead us in collective worship with the help of our fantastic Worship Team. He spoke to the School Councillors about what it's like to be in a Church School and answered their questions. We found out that his crook reminds him that being a Bishop is like a shepherd caring for his flock. He thought the best bit about his job was visiting Church Schools and that he became a Bishop because he wanted to make a difference in the world.

We all really enjoyed meeting him and he loved our school vision!

Baarmy Bethlehem

Well done to Rose and Tamarisk Class for their wonderful nativity performance 'Baarmy Bethlehem'. Every child sang their heart out and delivered their lines beautifully. It was a delightful story about 3 cheeky sheep searching for a party which turned out to be in a stable!

Thank you to all the staff for their wonderful help and particularly Mrs Legge for all her hard work and the PTFA for refreshments.

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Thank you very much to the community and the Grade Ruan Gazette for choosing our school to receive the money raised by donations to the Christmas Messages this year. Our School Council chose to put the money towards these splendid benches for our playground. Wally Bird made them to our bespoke size and delivered them just before Christmas. Thank you so much everyone!



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30 Years Ago - February 1993

Football Club



*Back row L - R: G.Tremain, K.Bosustow, D.Hickey, I.Cox, S.Bain, D.Roberts, K.Stidwell
Front row L - R: M.Halliday, R.Goddard, S.Booth, J.Skewes, M.Allum, C.Richards*

If, on a misty damp wintry Saturday afternoon, you find yourself meandering past the recreation ground and a black and white blurred image catches your eye, look again because your eyes won't be deceiving you. No, it isn't a herd of Friesian cows running amok on the football pitch, it's Ruan Minor Football Club who, after seven years of extinction, have risen from the ashes like the Phoenix and are playing Saturday football again, and playing very well at times, having beaten the top two teams in the league already.

The players are all local, living on the Peninsula, so you will recognise them. There are some old faces (for experience) and young faces (to do all the running around) but the combination is working well having won as many games as they have lost, which is no disgrace for their first season back in the league.

We have to especially thank Brian and Margaret Chivers for their wonderful donation of the new team strip. Also to Nicky Jose, Raymond and John Skewes and Ian Cox, for, without their efforts, the club would not have got off the ground. Finally to Michael Halliday - without his magic sponge the players would not get off the ground either!

[The author of this report in 1993 is not recorded. Danny Hickey and John Skewes went on to resurrect the Football Club again four years ago; the team is doing well in Division 4 of the Trelawny League. If anyone has the original of the photograph above, I'm sure the football club would appreciate borrowing it to copy. Ed]

Gardening in February

by David Endean



As I write this bit of informative nonsense the first snowdrops have dripped and the first of the snow for 2023 has dropped. February is an odd month, a good job in many ways that it is the shortest. It is a month to either finish off those winter jobs that you haven't had either the time or the inclination to do, or it is a time to try and get a bit of a head start with the first of the spring jobs.

This month I am going to sow my Sweetpeas, I pre-germinate these on damp tissue paper before potting them individually to grow on. They are germinated in an old ice cream container in the warmth of my bedroom before they are moved to the cold greenhouse once potted up. This is absolutely fine as a few years ago the top half inch of the pots froze solid but the seedling were fine. Your biggest worry is from mice and the only real answer is a little nipper mouse trap or a dozen. If you use a non-lethal trap the mice only return, poison is not instant so they still may eat your seedlings and you're not sure if you have got them and what else may be affected if they eat them. As with all seeds it is vital that you label the pots as you will invariably fail to remember exactly which varieties are in which pots.

I still have greenhouses to clear out and wash down as well as more pots to clean to start the seed sowing season off. Generally, for the flowerpots they are washed in hot soapy water, but for the greenhouse and staging I use hot water and Jeyes fluid. I also use a finger of plastic cut from a shampoo or washing up liquid bottle to get between the sheets of glass. Then this is followed by a sulphur candle which is lit and left over night.

I plan to start off my shallots in pots in the greenhouse, they will be planted in 4in square pots using multipurpose compost, I have two varieties this year, a French long shallot which I have grown for a few years now, from stock that a friend gave me originally. Plus some other standard shallots which looked good in the supermarket ,grown in the UK, so they should be suitable to grow here. I will also make the first of my successional sowing of broad beans using the variety superaquadulce. This will also be in pots in the cold greenhouse. They will take 2 or 3 weeks to germinate and once that happens I will make the next sowing.

I also hope to get a head start with some salad sowings, a pinch of lettuce seed in a pot of fresh compost for pricking out a few weeks later plus I will make some broadcast sowings of lettuce in boxes for some quick salad leaves. For these broadcast sowings I will

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fill boxes with spent compost which I will add some fertiliser. At this time of year it will take around 5 weeks to get a crop. I plan to do a similar thing for some radish. I will also sow some spring onions in modules and some pointed cabbage in pots to be pricked out later.

Now is a really good time to plant shrubs especially evergreens. They should get away quite quickly as the warmer days appear and we have cut out a lot of the days of damaging salty winds which dehydrate and burn the plants, sometimes they even rip the leaves off the bushes. The damage is done because the plants cannot draw up water fast enough as the root system has not developed well enough. I have a place where the old escallonia is shot and needs replacing. I would never recommend planting escallonia now as it suffers from a fungal disease which after a few years sees it off. I fancy putting a yew hedge there so now is the time to get on with it.

I have some weeding to do around the daffodils this will help to deter the slugs and snails I don't want any damage as they will be destined for the Spring Show in March. There are some chrysanthemum cuttings to take plus some perennial bedding cuttings to take from stock plants that I have managed to over winter.

I hope that this has given you a few ideas for jobs in the garden, enjoy your gardening. Oh, by the way happy New Year!

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**Answers to the February Quiz on
page 30.**

1. Name Shakespeare's most romantic play. **A: Romeo & Juliet**
2. The above is set in which romantic city? **A: Verona**
3. Film Shirley Valentine, who played the leading role? **A: Pauline Collins**
4. What is Cupid's name in Greek Mythology? **A: Eros**
5. What flowers are traditionally given to symbolise love? **A: Red roses**
6. Who is the Chicago gangster behind St Valentine's Day Massacre? **A: Al Capone**
7. What is the star sign for Valentine's Day? **A: Aquarius**
8. Who is the English King who declared St Valentine's Day a holiday? **A: Henry VIII**
9. What date is Valentine's Day? **A: 14th February.**
10. Who sang the opening theme to 'A Fine Romance'? **A: Judi Dench**

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GRADE RUAN PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the
Sunday School Room, Methodist Chapel, Ruan Minor
on Wednesday 9th November 2022 at 7 pm

127/22 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair) Green (Vice Chair, late arrival), Carter, P Collins, Cox, Fleetwood, Lee, Scolding, Trewin.

Apologies: Cllr Agutter, S Collins, Keeley. Cllr Soady CC.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk). 1 member of the public.

128/22 To Receive Declarations of Interest/Dispensations. None.

129/22 Reports from outside bodies.

Cllr Preston passed on a verbal report from Cllr Soady CC regarding the recent attempted sale of a Coastline Housing dwelling: information is being sought on the “disposal programme” of social housing and how such houses can be removed from the social rented sector when there is clear need in the Parish. The Council
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ANSWERS TO THE RNLI TIDAL TEASERS ON PAGE 31

Question 1: Next year sees the two hundredth anniversary of the RNLI but which is the oldest of the Institute’s 238 operational lifeboat stations?

A: Established in 1802 and taken over by the RNLI in 1857, REDCAR LBS is acknowledged as the oldest operational lifeboat station.

Question 2: How many miles of the UK coastline do the RNLI’s lifeboat stations provide safety cover for? **A: 19,000 miles**

Question 3 - Name these RNLI lifeboat stations:

A: Salcombe LBS B: Plymouth LBS C: Hastings LBS

Question 4: The greatest depth of ocean found on earth measures an incredible 10,984 metres (6.8 miles). In which ocean is this phenomenon situated and what is the specific area of ocean bed called?

A: Pacific Ocean Mariana Trench in the Challenger Deep

Question 5: Where is this? **A: Godrevy Lighthouse**

Question 6: Irrecoverably sunk in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour on 17th December 1941, with the loss of 1,177 sailors and Marines, what was the name of this American battleship

A: BB-39 USS ARIZONA

Question 7: A fabled character in Hertge’s world acclaimed children’s comic ‘The Adventures of Tintin’, this seafaring captain was once president of ‘The Sober Sailors Society’. What is his name?

A: Captain Archibald Haddock



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request that a meeting is set up with Coastline Housing, Cllr Soady CC, and Parish Council representatives. Clerk to liaise

**Cllr Green entered the meeting*

130/22 Reports from Parish Council representatives to outside bodies.

A meeting took place on 9th November between RNAS Culdrose, the Parish Council, Cllr Soady CC, and the AONB Planning Officer to discuss a variety of issues affecting the Parish. Notes of the meeting to be distributed in due course. Clerk to circulate notes when ready

- The Recreation Ground Committee are seeking advice/support on a persistent and damaging issue around dog fouling on the football pitch. This threatens the ability of Ruan Minor FC to play home games, and is also unpleasant and potentially dangerous. The Council felt that due to the persistence of the problem, and the seriousness of its impact on the community, it would support in principle a ban of dogs on the recreation ground.

- Play area repairs have begun and are nearly complete. Thanks were given to the voluntary work put in by Pete from Rozen Furniture. Recreation Ground Committee to pursue

131/22 Public Participation.

N Jose raised the following matters: that the disposal of socially rented housing in the Parish is highly objectionable and the timeline for locals to register interest is too short; that any resurfacing of FP6 (Cadgwith) should address accessibility for the elderly and for pushchairs, and drainage matters; that the yellow lines in Cadgwith Cove should be removed altogether in favour of a sign explaining parking restrictions (per Helford); as part of the warm spaces scheme it would be ideal to have a directory of people that can help with various aspects (such as driving to health appointments).

132/22 Council Meeting: Minutes 12 October 2022

RESOLVED that the above Minutes of the Meeting of the Council having been previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Cllrs Scolding/P Collins. 6 in favour, 3 abstained: Cllrs Carter, Cox, Preston. No matters arising **NOTED**.

133/22 Planning Applications for consideration

PA22/09425: Proposed New Access to A3083. Mr Hendy. Moorlands Hervan Lane Predannack TR12 7AU

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

134/22 PA22/09775: Works to a tree subject to a Tree Preservation Order for Ash (T1), repollard to previous pollarding points (last pollarded in 2014 under planning application PA14/05006), regrowth now suitable for repollarding. Mrs Worden.

The Rectory St Ruan. The Council supported the application. Proposed, seconded. Unanimous.

Clerk to respond

135/22 **Planning Applications decided by CC since the last meeting**

APPROVED:

PA22/02858: Residential development of one 4 bedroom house. The Beach Kuggar TR12 7LX

REFUSED

PA22/08563: 2-storey rear extension to existing cottage including installation of 3 conservation roof lights into existing roof without compliance with condition no. 2 of Decision Notice PA21/02912 dated 02/06/2021. Blackberry Cottage Kuggar Ruan Minor TR12 7LY

136/22 **Preapplications, consultations and appeals.**

The unpermitted wall in St Ruan has now been removed.

137/22 **Finance report and Payments**

RESOLVED to adopt the most recent Finance Reports (1, 2) and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:

Octopus Energy	Public lighting	21.22
R Sanders	Play area grass cutting, SWCP strim, verges	702.60
Staffing		924.42

Cllrs Scolding/Lee. Unanimous.

Agreed to arrange a Finance Committee meeting in the coming weeks, and to delay budget-setting until the January Full Council meeting.

138/22 **Community Network Area review: consultation**

RECEIVED information from Cornwall Council per above (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6).

CONSIDERED the Council's position and **RESOLVED** to respond that both proposed new geographical areas are too large, making smaller and rural parishes like Grade Ruan less influential in local decision-making. The plan to include Hayle in particular was felt to result in Grade Ruan and the Lizard Peninsula becoming too peripheral, and the Council prefer to keep the Network Area the same as it currently is. Cllrs Green/Cox. Unanimous.

Clerk to respond

139/22 **Grade Ruan School communication**

NOTED correspondence as above. The Head Teacher has responded and is happy to talk about options. The Council noted that links between the School and the Recreation Ground Committee could also be enhanced at the same time.

Clerk to contact

140/22 **Joint Lizard Parishes meeting**

DISCUSSED items for the agenda. Date to be agreed by email for partners.

Clerk to pursue

141/22 Update: Old Bus Shelter renovation

DISCUSSED as above. A specification is ready to seek quotes for.

Clerk to seek quotes

142/22 Update: Youth Forum

RECEIVED as above from Cllr Cox and **DISCUSSED**. An initial steering group could be formed, incorporating a Cllrs, another adult, and 2/3 young people in order to define the role and parameters of a Youth Forum. The Forum itself must be engaging and democratic, and may have a budget allotted from the Parish Council, and be able to scrutinise Council decisions. A Youth Forum should aim to represent local young people; identify issues that matter to young people; promote provision and identify gaps; promote partnership and democracy.

Clerk to place initial notice in Gazette and elsewhere. Cllrs Cox and Carter to pursue thereafter.

143/22 Long-term “vision” for the Council

DISCUSSED as above. Cllr Cox felt that in the absence of clear drive from the community to pursue a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP), there could be an alternative strategic document, such as an updated Village/Parish Plan. Parish Plans have more breadth than NDPs, are a strategic, long-term view, though have

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no legal weight. It was agreed that a small working group led by Cllr Cox could pursue ideas.

Cllr Cox to lead. Cllr Preston to contact those who expressed interest in an NDP

144/22 **Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report.**

a) **RECEIVED** an update on a site meeting with the Highways Manager regarding a number of matters around the Parish. Amongst other matters, there will be a working party for clearing around Polstangey bridge (subject to landowner permission); and parking and drainage at Cadgwith was discussed.

b) **RECEIVED** an update on potential resurfacing/tarmacking at FP6.1, Cadgwith. Further site meetings with potential contractors are due to take place.
)Footpath Committee to pursue

c) **RECEIVED** an update on registering as a PROW the access from New Rd to the above FP6. The site notice has now been in place for the required time and the next stage of the application process will begin. Clerk to pursue

d) **RECEIVED** an update on Higher Moor-Glebe Place access. A third quote to be sought and a resolution to be made at a future Council meeting on whether to proceed. Footpath Committee to pursue

e) No further update **RECEIVED** from the Chapel Terrace surface repair working group....Working group to pursue

f) **NOTED** Mundy's Field car park strimming arrangements. Thanks were given to Mr Stephens for voluntary work undertaken. The Council will consider future management options.

g) **CONSIDERED** other reports: 2 PROW signs are needed for FP26 (newly cleared), one at the Treal end, one at the Polstangey bridge end (south side), and also one for FP46 (on the north side of Polstangey bridge).
Clerk to contact Countryside Access Team

145/22 **Notification of meeting/items for agenda**

NOTED: Budget considerations for 2023/24; Dog ban on the Recreation Ground; Formal appointment of a representative to the School (if appropriate); resolution for Higher Moor/Glebe Place access; Warm spaces/Cost of Living crisis.

146/22 **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: Staffing. Cllrs Green/P Collins. Unanimous.

147/22 **Nationally agreed pay award for Local Council staff**

NOTED the nationally agreed changes to SCP pay scales and annual leave.

Meeting closed at 20:55.

GRADE RUAN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held in the Committee Room (upstairs) at Ruan Minor Village Hall on Monday 12th December 2022 at 7 pm

148/22 Persons Present/Apologies

Present: Cllrs Preston (Chair) Green (Vice Chair), Cox, Lee, Scolding, Trewin.
Apologies: Cllr Agutter, Carter, P Collins, Keeley, Fleetwood.

Absent: Cllr S Collins.

In attendance: L Dunkley (Parish Clerk). Cllr Soady CC. 0 members of the public.

149/22 To Receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensations.

Cllr Trewin declared an interest in item 14c – quotation for works to stile.

150/22 Reports from outside bodies.

Cllr Soady CC:

- expressed thanks for the invite to Culdrose liaison meeting in November.
- Reported a lack of information forthcoming regarding the Mayor for Cornwall and differences between “level 2” and “level 3” funding associated with it.
- Reported that additional Dog warden coverage has been requested for the parish.
- Reported that tyres remain at a flytipping site (Traboe Cross) and their removal is being pursued..

Cllr Trewin reported that works on the A3083 by South West Water has caused disruption and disquiet as there did not appear to be work undertaken/people in attendance for several days.

151/22 Reports from Parish Council representatives to outside bodies.

RECEIVED notes from a meeting with representatives of RNAS Culdrose, a continuation of the stakeholder meetings with a format of friendly enquiry. The aim is to help raise and retain mutual awareness and understanding, and identify the small adjustments to flight patterns beneficial to the populated coastal strip (Cadgwith, Ruan, Kuggar, Kennack) in this section of Cornwall's AONB. The fully approved notes from the meeting are also on the Council website. **DISCUSSED** the 'Peninsula Joint Councils' meeting, and set the date as Tuesday 24th January 2023. No other reports **NOTED**. Clerk to confirm Joint Parishes meeting

152/22 Public Participation. None.

153/22 Council Meeting: Minutes 9 November 2022

RESOLVED that the above Minutes of the Meeting of the Council having been
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previously circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed. Cllrs Lee/Cox. Unanimous. No matters arising **NOTED**.

154/22 **Planning Applications for consideration.** None.

155/22 **Planning Applications decided by CC since the last meeting**

APPROVED

- PA22/09775: Works to a tree subject to a Tree Preservation Order for Ash (T1), repollard to previous pollarding points (last pollarded in 2014 under planning application PA14/05006), regrowth now suitable for repollarding. The Rectory St Ruan Ruan Minor TR12 7JS
- PA22/09793: Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO), works include 3no. ash trees suffering from ash die back to be coppiced to ground level and trees around car park to be crown lifted where brushing vans to approx 3m. Inglewidden Flats Cadgwith TR12 7LA

REFUSED

- PA22/08127: Proposal Construction of workshop, parking and landscaping. Land West Of White House Farm And South Of Trepool Ruan Minor Helston Cornwall TR12 7JS

156/22 **Preapplications, consultations and appeals.**

Cllr Lee attended planning training and gave brief report – including on matters surrounding enforcement.

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An update was given on Planning Enforcement Investigation ref EN22/00261, St Ruan House, St Ruan, Ruan Minor, Helston, where block work still remains in place.

157/22 Finance report and Payments

RESOLVED to adopt the most recent Finance Reports (1, 2) and authorise the payments of Accounts Outstanding:

Octopus Energy	Public Lighting	24.44
Ruan Minor Methodist	Room Hire (annual)	150.00
R Sanders	Play area grass cutting	114.00
Williams Travel	x 2 Christmas Coach	350.00
Parc Signs	Move map and noticeboard	361.50
L Dunkley	Software Reimbursements	119.98
Staffing		809.12

Cllrs Lee/Scolding. Unanimous.

Cllr Cox queried the Winch House reserve and it was clarified that there is a plan of works to be undertaken on the Winch House which will use up the reserve.

158/22 Finance working group and recommendations

NOTED recommendations from the Finance Working Group. **RESOLVED** to make recommended changes to the earmarked reserves. Cllrs Cox/Trewin. Unanimous. **CONSIDERED** draft budgets (1, 2) for resolution in January, including in particular expenditure budgets for projects and for grants.

Clerk to provide summary for January meeting

159/22 Dog ban on Ruan Minor Recreation Ground

RECEIVED a request for Council support for a dog ban (1, 2). **CONSIDERED** and **RESOLVED** to support the exclusion of dogs on the recreation ground. Cllrs Trewin/Lee. Unanimous. Clerk to respond

160/22 **Update: Old Bus Shelter renovation RECEIVED** as above. Quotations are forthcoming. Clerk and Cllrs to pursue

161/22 Update: Youth Forum

RECEIVED as above. A number of people have come forward that are interested in helping establish the Forum.

Cllr Cox to pursue

162/22 Long-term “vision” for the Council

RECEIVED as above. Cllr Cox reported back on research undertaken with a variety of local people. A list of important issues has been collated. SWOT analysis on facilities in the parish is needed. After completion of an integrated plan, an effective/skilled grant finder will be needed. Cllr Cox is keen to put together a group in January, with the aim to write a draft plan by June 2023. Clerk to invite Cllrs to join

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Footpaths, Highways; Tree wardens report.

- a) **RECEIVED** an update on potential resurfacing/tarmacking at FP6.1, Cadgwith. Quotations are being pursued.
a) Clerk and Cllr Preston to pursue
- b) **RECEIVED** an update on registering as a PROW the access from New Rd to the above FP6. The necessary process is still underway.
Clerk to monitor

****Cllr Trewin left the meeting***

- c) **RECEIVED** an update and quotations (1, 2) for Higher Moor - Glebe Place access works. A lengthy discussion took place. The Council understands that stiles are historically significant and have a heritage value. In this specific case the Council felt that there was a significant accessibility need in this location as it connects an area of housing with the doctor's surgery, and the alternative pedestrian route for those with mobility issues is significant, impractical and exclusionary. Therefore it was decided that in this individual case only the Council should act to improve accessibility, having already obtained landowner permission and approval from the Countryside Access Team. The project will retain the three Serpentine slabs and in tandem seek to restore another stile (in conjunction with the landowner) further along the footpath which is currently in a poor state. **RESOLVED** to accept a quotation from Freddy Trewin and pursue the renovation of the other stile separately. Cllrs Lee/Cox. Unanimous. Clerk to contact landowner regarding second stile at FP1 and Cllr Preston to pursue quotations

****Cllr Trewin re-entered the meeting***

- d) No update from the Chapel Terrace surface repair working group.
Footpath Committee to pursue
- e) No other reports.

164/22 Notification of meeting/items for agenda

NOTED: Budget resolution 2023/24. National Trust update. Community Trust accounts. Community Assets list. Parish Plan group terms of reference (if forthcoming). Defibrillator quotation for Kuggar. Warm Rooms/Spaces.

165/22 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. None.

Meeting closed 21:10.

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