## ST MAWGAN-IN-PYDAR PARISH COUNCIL

## **REVIEW OF SECTION 137 PAYMENTS**

A review has been carried out of section 137 at a time when the 2017/18 External Audit has been completed.

In the Year 2017/2018 expenditure on section 137 payments was £1741 made up of:

- Annual monitoring costs of Merrymoor and Falcon Inn defibrillators = £ 630
- Hall Donations 1000
- Campaign to Protect Rural England
  36
- Royal British Legion 75

The aim of the review is to maintain overall expenditure on these items.

The Parish Council has also awarded two Scheduled Grants totalling £1700 which were paid in May 2018.

A brief explanation of section 137 payments is provided below:-

## Section 137 payments.

These are payments made in accordance with the terms of section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972. It gives the Parish Council the power to provide things not otherwise authorised for and which are for the benefit of some or all of its parishioners.

It is not compulsory for the Parish Council to incur this expenditure but does allow them to incur it if in its opinion it is in the interests of and will bring direct benefit to their area or any part of it, or to all or some of its inhabitants. The benefit must be commensurate with the expenditure.

It allows the Parish Council to make contributions to any charitable body or work in the UK, any body providing any public service in the UK otherwise than for gain, or any fund related to a public appeal.

The rate for 2018 is set at £7.86 per head of the parish electorate.

13th June 2018

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