

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 2021/22 External Audit has been completed.

In the Financial Year 2021/22, expenditure on section 137 payments was £ made up of:

Hall Donations	£1000
Campaign to Protect Rural England	36
Royal British Legion	75
Defibrillators (located at Falcon Inn & Merrymoor)	320
Dreckly Community Magazine	150
The aim of the review is to maintain overall expenditure on the above items	
Scheduled Grants 2021	£0
Total	£1581.00

[An overview of 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 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, anybody providing any public service in the UK otherwise than for gain, or any fund related to a public appeal.

The Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) has notified the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) that the appropriate sum for the purpose of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for local (parish and town) councils in England for **2022/23 is £8.82 per elector**.

Further details can be found on the NALC website here: [Government confirms Section 137 expenditure limit for 2022/23 - News \(nalc.gov.uk\)](#)

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