ST MAWGAN-IN-PYDAR PARISH COUNCIL

REVIEW OF SECTION 137 PAYMENTS

An overview of Section 137 payments

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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, any body providing any public service in the UK otherwise than for gain, or any fund related to a public appeal.

The appropriate sum for the purpose of section 137(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 1972 (the 1972 Act) for parish and town councils in England for 2023-24 is £9.93

A review has been carried out of section 137 at a time when the 2023/24 External Audit has been completed.

In the Financial Year 2023/24, expenditure on section 137 payments was £2411 made up of:

Hall Donations	£1,000
Campaign to Protect Rural England	36
Royal British Legion	75
Dreckly Community Magazine	300
Defibrillators	500
The aim of the review is to maintain overall expenditure on the above items	£1,911
Scheduled Grants Awarded	
SMASH	500

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