

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 15th DECEMBER 2025, 7.00PM
AT St. ALLEN PARISH CHURCH**

Present: Cllr. C Wilson (CW) (Chair)
Cllr. D Ebbatson (DE)
Cllr. S Jones (SJ)
Cllr. A Hulks (AH)
Cllr. R Hatt (RH)
Cllr. A Stallard (AS)

Apologies: Cllr. C Laity; Cllr. R Barker

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk); 3 Members of the Public

1. Chairman's & Public Safety Announcement

1.1 The Chairman welcomed everyone and advised the public safety information.

2. Suggestions From Members of the Public:

2.1 Mr Tom Edmunds spoke against the Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) at Lanteague. He has lived at the property since 1989 and there has never been a restricted byway on that track. He will be objecting on this basis. His comments were supported by another member of the public who expressed concern about the health and safety of a PROW in this location. Unfortunately, comments about health & safety are not considered in this process, it is based on evidence that the PROW previously existed.

A local resident also objected to the DMMO at Sixty Acre Farm. In addition, a letter of objection has been received from the land-owner, Trewithen Estates which had been circulated. This letter also objects to the proposal.

RESOLVED: To bring agenda item 11 (iii) forward on the agenda (Notice of DMMO's at Lanteague and Sixty Acres Farm)

CW advised that the Parish Council had been asked to register all PROW's in the Parish in the 1990's. The Parish Council omitted to register four, including Lanteague which like the other three stopped at the St. Allen Parish boundary with neighbouring parishes who had registered theirs. In 2020, DMMO notices for both sites were issued showing historic rights of way over the land. This evidence was presented to the PC which puts the PC at a disadvantage as they cannot ignore the evidence. The objections of the residents were noted, and they were advised to submit their objections to Cornwall Council. The Council will then either confirm the order or if representations are received, submit the evidence to the Secretary of State for them to make a decision.

3. Minutes

3.1 ***RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th November 2025, as circulated, were approved, and signed by the Chairman.***

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

4.1 None.

5. Police Matters:

5.1 No report. The Clerk advised that the next Police Liaison Meeting takes place on 15th January and the dates in 2026 had been confirmed. AH agreed to attend these meetings, if available.

6. Cornwall Councillor Report:

6.1 RB was not in attendance but had sent in a report which the Clerk had circulated. He has requested a meeting with Sharon Bundy in mid-January. An update from National Highways has been received regarding the reinstatement of the hedge between Zelah Hill and West of Trevalso. The hedge will be planted on both the North and South side of light screen fencing. The arrangements are being finalised with the contractor and will be forwarded to the PC as soon as they are confirmed.

7. Saints Coast CAP Report:

7.1 CW attended the recent CAP meeting. She has a meeting with Cornwall Council to discuss the implementation of a 40mph speed limit on Henver Lane as part of the Twenty is Plenty scheme being rolled out next year. The current proposal is for the 20mph to run between the East and West chicanes on the High Road, through central Zelah. Henver Lane to Scotland Road is to remain 60mph. Cornwall Council is currently of the opinion that reducing the speed limit to 40mph along Henver Lane will create a target for drivers and surveys show that the average speed along this stretch of road is low 30's.

8. Planning:

8.1 Applications:

PA25/09008	Casavrina	Lawful development certificate for existing use of a dwelling in breach of planning conditions (agricultural tie)	PC to respond and advise they cannot offer any evidence to either support or object to the application.
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8.2 Decisions: None.

9. Playing Field:

9.1 Cutting of Playing Field Hedges: AS has a meeting on Wednesday with Treescapes and will circulate the quote so that the work can be agreed and undertaken before the 28th February deadline. **NOTED.**

9.2 Repair to the Wall: CW has organised for local handyman to do the work who will be able to do other small maintenance jobs in the Parish. She is just waiting for the quantities of cement and sand to be confirmed and he will then carry out the work. It was discussed that the bench by the bus shelter needs repairing and the contractor would be asked for a quote to do this work too. **NOTED.**

9.3 Gap in Hedge: The gap in the hedge needs to be finished and planted up. AS to organise working party in January.

9.4 Playing Field Sign: The Clerk had circulated the design and a discussion ensued as to whether it was too 'authoritarian'. **RESOLVED: Clerk to accept quote with design as proposed.** (DE against)

10. Highway Issues:

10.1 A30 between Carland Cross and Chiverton:

- CW is doing a report for the Cornwall Access Forum which she will circulate. This will mainly look at connectivity.
- The lighting is being installed in the Church Lane Underpass. The village side has been cut back and is open.

- Clerk to contact Costain to ask when Tolgroggan brige and the underpass at Carland will be opened.
- Clerk to contact Costain to request the planting schemes for the large areas around the Parish including Trevalso, Tolgroggan, Merton's Lodge and the bund at St. Frieda's. Plans show that these will be planted but it hasn't been done.
- Clerk to ask Costain to repair the corner at Two Burrows Cottages.
- Clerk to ask Costain when the gully at Chiverton Lodge will be pumped out.
- It was discussed that the Chiverton Interchange is dangerous in times of heavy traffic due to queuing on the slip road. Clerk to ask Costain for comment.

10.2 Reinstatement of the Cornish Hedge from Zelah Hill to West of Trevalso: Dealt with under 6.1.

10.3 Meeting with Sharon Bundy: Dealt with under 6.1.

10.4 Rollout of Twenty is Plenty Scheme in the Parish: Dealt with under 7.1.

10.5 Works at Engelly Dip: No update. Clerk to chase again.

11. Matters to Report Concerning Rights of Way/Paths/Stiles/Maintenance:

11.1 Footpath 10 - (Goonhavern to Scotland Road): CW had had a positive meeting with the Land Agent and a further update will be provided in due course. **NOTED.**

11.2 Celtic Way: No further action required by the PC at this time. **NOTED.**

11.3 Definitive Map Modifications: Dealt with under 2.1.

12. Correspondence:

12.1 A letter from the owner of Elmsleigh had been received objecting to Planning Application PA25/02427. The objection had been submitted to Cornwall Council. It was agreed that the Clerk would write and acknowledge the letter.

13. Finance: To Approve Spending, Accounts & Monthly Payment's

14.1

Income:	£0
HSBC Community Account:	£28,318.58
HSBC Business Account:	£28,263.64

RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £391.36 were approved for payment.

14.2 Assertion 10: The Clerk advised that next year's audit will include Assertion 10, relating to digital compliance. The Clerk will shortly be drafting an IT policy for approval. A discussion took place about the current email system. It is essential that Councillors use a separate email for Council business and whilst it was acknowledged that the current Webmail system is difficult to use, it was **RESOLVED to continue with this system for now.**

14.3 Precept 26/27: The Clerk had circulated a proposed budget for 26/27. A discussion ensued. **RESOLVED: Budget for 26/27 to be £21,190 with a Precept of £17,000.** This is a 3.2% increase for a Band D property or £3.08 pa.

14. Agenda Items for the January Meeting:

14.1 No new items.

15. Date of the Next Meeting:

15.1 The next meeting will be held on **Monday 19th January 2026 at 19.00hrs, St. Allen Parish Church**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.58hrs

Signed:.....
CHAIRMAN

Date.....