

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON  
MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> MAY 2026, 7.20PM  
AT St. ALLEN PARISH CHURCH**

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

Apologies: Cllr. R Barker

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk);

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 None.

3. Minutes

3.1 ***RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026, as circulated, were approved, and signed by the Chairman.***

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

4.1 The Clerk has not received the application form for the Community Chest grant awarded for the new noticeboard. The Clerk will chase for the paperwork.

5. Police Matters:

5.1 AH attended the recent Police Liaison Meeting and reported the following:

- Crime between January – March has increased by 16% on the same quarter last year. This is largely due to an increase in the reporting of stalking/harassment crimes due to a raised profile and drug related crimes due to a targeting stop and search policy.
- There has been an increase in homelessness and anti-social behaviour in Truro.
- Shoplifting is extremely under reported so a new reporting system is being implemented.
- AH reported the accidents and speed concerns on the B3288. The police advised that there is some dispute over the speed limit on that road. National Highways think it is 50mph, Cornwall Council think it is 60mph. This is currently being resolved. RH advised that this was discussed at the meeting with Sharon Bundy who advised that the concerns and incidents should be reported to the Council's road safety team which that Clerk will action.

6. Cornwall Councillor Report:

6.1 RB had submitted a report which the Clerk will circulate. Particular reference was made to the following:

- RB will discuss Neighbourhood Priority Statements with the PC at the June meeting.
- Jayne Kirkham MP is launching a parliamentary petition on 28<sup>th</sup> May for improvements to road safety at Cubert Crossroads. Further information on how the petition can be signed will follow in due course.

## 7. Saints Coast CAP Report:

7.1 No report.

## 8. Planning:

### 8.1 Applications:

PA26/01569	Agricultural barn on Nanteague Farm	Conversion & extension of existing single-storey barn to form 2 x self-build dwellings	<b>SUPPORT</b> – query number of static caravans on the site. (P/S: RH/SJ)
PA26/02542	Land Sth of Rosevine Cottage	Self-build dwelling	<b>SUPPORT</b> – with independent sewage system (P/S: SJ/CL)

8.2 There were no other planning matters.

## 9. Playing Field:

9.1 Quote for Treeworks: AS had received quotes for works to the trees in the Playing Field and the beech trees at the Western end of the High Road. These were discussed. The beech trees require topping by 30% as the trees are causing damage to the footpath and roadside. **RESOLVED: PC accepts both quotes. Work to beech trees to be undertaken now. Works to the Playing Field trees to be undertaken in Autumn. If PC is happy with the quality of the work, quote to be requested for works to the fruit trees to be undertaken in Jan/Feb.** It was requested that if works are being undertaken in the playing field, that notice is given so that residents are informed. (P/S: DE/AH)

9.2 ROSPA Risk Assessment: The Clerk advised that the annual risk assessment had been undertaken and she had received the report earlier today. On initial inspection, there were no immediate safety concerns, but she will send the report to AS who will draw up a list of maintenance tasks. The hole for the bolt at the bottom of the gate needs a metal tube and it was agreed that this would be added to the list of maintenance tasks. **NOTED.**

## 10. Highway Issues:

10.1 Meeting with Sharon Bundy: RH gave a report of the meeting with Sharon Bundy that he, the Clerk and RB had attended:

- The B3288 and surrounding roads will be handed over to Cornwall Council until July.
- The signage will mirror what was there before. The Council is using Google Earth for comparison. This has benefited the Parish in some locations but not in others.
- Any proposals for new signage must be requested with Cornwall Council.
- The issue with the signage at Pennycomequick was recognised and will be looked at.
- There are currently no plans for any works to be undertaken at Boxheater Junction although concerns were noted.
- The lack of planting on the north side of the hedge will be queried.
- The Marazanvose Village sign and Ventongimps directional sign will be reinstalled.
- Tolgroggan Bridge should be re-open at the end of June. This frustrating as two weeks ago a date of 11<sup>th</sup> May was given. There has been no explanation of why there is a further delay.

- The Green Bridge will be open at the end of June.
- National Highways has agreed to install PROW signage at both locations. However, there is concern that motorised traffic will use the bridges as a shortcut as they have been tarmacked and are wide enough for motorised vehicles. The road to Nancarrow is a private road.

10.2 Reintroduction of Weed Treatment by Cornwall Council: The Clerk read out the latest correspondence from Cornwall Council, following the cabinet meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> May. The Council has recognised that there was a lack of engagement with Town & Parish Councils and that further discussion is required. This year, the Council will progress a series of environmental improvements without the use of chemicals and further. engagement will take place on the future of the public realm program. **NOTED.**

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

11.1 CW asked for volunteers to help lift back the granite set lying on the river bed at Clapper Bridge at Tolgroggan to help protect the river bank edge from erosion. Several Cllrs volunteered and CW will organise a date.

11.2 Three waymarker posts need replacing on the PROW at Vicarage Downs.  
**RESOLVED: CW & AS will undertake the work. CW to be reimbursed for materials. Clerk to request waymarker signs from Cormac.**

11.3 The Clerk advised that enhanced LMP funding is available for works to PROWs. CW thought that funding should be applied for to replace the gate from the Shortlanesend Road to Nancarrow. **RESOLVED: Clerk to contact Cormac to see if this project would be suitable for funding.**

#### 12. Community Building Provision in the Parish:

12.1 A meeting will take place on 28<sup>th</sup> May to discuss this further. **NOTED.** AS advised that some of the roof tiles are slipping off the Mission Hall. The Clerk will report to building control.

#### 13. Neighbourhood Priority Statement:

13.1 The Clerk had circulated the latest information from Cornwall Council and a discussion ensued. It is hard to make a decision without seeing a draft plan and a working group would have to be set-up with Councillors and local residents to undertake the consultation required. **RESOLVED: RH will contact Cornwall Council for further information and the Clerk will contact St. Erme Parish Council to see if there is a draft of their statement. Further discussion to take place at the next meeting.**

#### 14. Emergency Plan:

14.1 The Clerk has started to draft the plan but now needs input from local residents. She will send a copy to CW who will liaise with the ZVCA. **NOTED.**

#### 15. Correspondence:

15.1 Cornwall Council (Notice of Intention to Commence Preparation of the Cornwall Local Plan) – **NOTED.**

15.2 Forestry England (Notice that parking charges will be introduced at Idless Woods) – **RESOLVED: Clerk to write and express disappointment and ask if charges are being introduced at other sites in Cornwall.**

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

15.1

Income: £8500.00

HSBC Community Account: £29,385.72

HSBC Business Account: £28,465.58

***RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £3617.15 were approved for payment.***

17. Agenda Items for the June Meeting:

17.1 Planning Enforcement

18. Date of the Next Meeting:

18.1 The next meeting will be held on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2026 at 19.00hrs, St. Allen Parish Church**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.20 hrs

Signed:.....  
CHAIRMAN

Date.....