

**ST ALLEN PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2026, 7.00PM
AT St. ALLEN PARISH CHURCH**

Present: Cllr. C Wilson (CW) (Chair)
Cllr. S Jones (SJ)
Cllr. R Hatt (RH)
Cllr. A Stallard (AS)

Apologies: Cllr. Hulks, Cllr. Ebbatson & Cllr. Laity

In Attendance: Mrs K Rees (Clerk); Cllr. Barker (left at 7.30pm); Two members of the public

1. Chairman's Announcements incl. Public Safety Announcement & Declarations of Interest

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

1.2 Cllr. Jones declared an interest in Agenda Item 9(i) Planning application PA26/05255 (Land adj. to Woodward's Barn)

2. Suggestions From Members of the Public:

- 2.1 Mr Bennett asked if there was an update on the queries he raised at the August Meeting regarding Project Hazel:
- The small holding is two fields that are rented to a local farmer but no property. It does not include any property.
 - There is still no clarification on the extent of the land included in the Call for Sites submission.
 - Cornwall Council is supportive of a Call for Sites submission on this particular piece of land. It does not mean that they are supportive of any planning application.

RESOLVED: To bring agenda item 7 (Cornwall Council Report) forward on the agenda.

3. Cornwall Council Report:

- 3.1 RB had submitted a report which the Clerk will circulate. Particular reference was made to the following:
- An update on the Hawkins Arms had been given by the Planning Enforcement Officer at the closed meeting prior to the Parish Council meeting.
 - RB has requested a meeting with Sharon Bundy on Friday 2nd October to raise issues including the opening of the two bridges, the installation of the outstanding signage, the handover from National Highways, follow-up after the recent accidents and the lighting in the tunnels which is encouraging anti-social behaviour.
 - RB is proceeding with a ward Neighbourhood Priority Statement with the aim of trying to protect the green space in his ward. He is in the process of drafting a document for which will shortly be given to the Parish Council to review and would welcome any input. ***RESOLVED: CW will send the Streetscape information to RH to assist with the draft document.***

RESOLVED: To bring agenda item 9 (planning) forward on the agenda

4. Planning:

4.1 Applications:

PA26/05255	Land adj. to Woodward's Barn	Permission in Principle for the construction of up to 3 dwellings	3 dwellings is considered an overdevelopment of the site. The principle of 1 dwelling is SUPPORTED as would address concerns over drainage & access and would be in-keeping with properties in Church Lane. (P/S: AS/RH. SJ left the room while application was discussed)
PA26/05744	Tretherres Bungalow	Reconfiguration of garden to incl. new boundary treatments & partial change of use from agriculture to domestic garden	SUPPORT (P/S: RH/AS)

4.2 Decisions:

PA26/03485 (Land NE of Gwarnick Mill): Approved
PA26/05569 (Lower Tolcarne Farm): No Objections

Appeals:

PA25/02427 (Land at Marazanvose): Dismissed.
It was discussed that as the appeal has been dismissed, the land should now be returned to its original state. **RESOLVED: Matter to be reported to Planning Enforcement.**

5. Minutes

5.1 **RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th August 2026, as circulated, were approved, and signed by the Chairman.**

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

6.1 None that aren't already on the agenda.

7. Police Matters:

7.1 The anti-social behaviour taking place in Trevalso Tunnel was discussed which has been exacerbated by the lighting that has been installed. It is imperative that any incidents are reported online so that they can be logged and the police can take appropriate action – www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/ro/report/acr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/

8. Saints Coast CAP Report:

8.1 CW gave a report of the recent meeting. There were items on coastal erosion, connectivity to try to encourage non-vehicle use and the Penhallow Geo-thermal plant. **NOTED.**

9. Playing Field:

9.1 Maintenance Works to the Playing Field: The work to the zip wire has been completed and it will be painted when the weather allows. Rob Riley is working on the horse and this will be reinstalled soon. **NOTED.**

9.2 Installation of Village Gateway Signs: The signs have been delivered. It was discussed that the '20 mph' can be blanked out until it becomes official so CW will ask RR Property Maintenance for a quote to install them as soon as possible. AS asked if the Neighbourhood Watch signs could be put on the gateway signs. **RESOLVED: Permission granted for Neighbourhood Watch signs to be put on the posts, ZVCA to pay for the signs.**

10. Highway Issues:

10.1 A30 Handover Issues: Dealt with under 3.1.

10.2 Work to Engelly Bridge: This is now scheduled for 14th – 16th October.

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

- 11.1 CW is meeting the farmer to discuss the new gate at the beginning of the Shortlanesend to Nancarrow Footpath in September on 3rd October. She will also look at the Killivose signage.

12. Community Building Provision in the Parish:

- 12.1 Following the meeting of the Steering Group held in July, James Humphreys (Trewithen Land Agent) has confirmed that the Estate is happy to discuss the principle of a community building and allotments being built on land at the Eastern end of the Village, adjoining the High Road. The Estate would now like to see a proposed plan for the site and subject to agreement, would grant the Parish Council an option on the site, allowing the Parish Council to apply for planning permission without having to purchase the land first. The Clerk had contacted Atlantic Building Consultants for a quote to draft a proposed plan which would be circa £625. This plan could then be used to submit a pre-application, if appropriate. A discussion ensued. **RESOLVED: PC to proceed with drafting a proposed plan with the cost coming out of contingency funds. Clerk to organise a meeting with the consultant.** It was also discussed that if the PC is to proceed with this project then an allowance must be made in the Precept to contribute towards the costs.

13. Neighbourhood Priority Statement:

- 13.1 RH advised that although Cllr. Barker is drafting a statement for the ward, he had reached the conclusion that it would be prudent for the PC to have their own statement. A discussion ensued. **RESOLVED: PC to proceed with a Neighbourhood Priority Statement. RH to register intention with Cornwall Council. Clerk to advertise for more volunteers to join the Steering Group. Clerk will find out the number of households on the Homechoice Register.**

14. Correspondence:

- 14.1 St. Erme Parish Council (Consultation – Neighbourhood Priority Statement): **NOTED.**
- 14.2 CALC (Update – Weed and Public Realm Management): **NOTED.**
- 14.3 Local Resident (Dog mess in village litter bin/village survey): It was discussed that there is no solution to the litter bin issue as the bin is a Council owned dual litter/dog poo bin. **RESOLVED: Clerk to reply.**

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

16.1

Income:	£0
HSBC Community Account:	£25,033.28
HSBC Business Account:	£28,465.58

RESOLVED: Accounts totalling £4891.11 were approved for payment.

- 16.2 NALC Pay Review 26/27: **RESOLVED: Clerk's pay increased inline with the NALC Pay Award 26/27.**

- 16.3 External Audit 25/26: The Clerk read out the External Audit which commented on the level of the Parish Councils 'reserve'. This is wholly refuted and it was **RESOLVED that whilst the External Audit Report is acknowledged, the Clerk would write to the Auditor to express disappointment at the report.**

16. Agenda Items for the October Meeting:

16.1 No new items.

17. Date of the Next Meeting:

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

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.52 hrs

Signed:.....
CHAIRMAN

Date.....