

Minutes of St Dominic Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 4 February 2026 at 7.00pm at St Dominick Parish Hall

Present: A Cox (Chair), G Brown (Vice Chair), D Potter, J Wenmoth, G Wilkins, D Fry, K Hughes, S Brady and D Hunn.

Also in attendance: J Candy, Locum Clerk, and 3 Members of the Public.

Item		Action by
1	Apologies a) C Cllr Long had sent apologies. b) The Chair gave apologies for the Clerk, as she was unavailable due to family issues.	
2	Public Participation and Council Response None	
3	Casual Vacancy The Chair stated that he had obtained advice from the Monitoring Officer at Cornwall Council, which resulted in Cllr Greene losing her place on the Council from December 15 th . An Extraordinary Meeting would probably be held at 6.30pm on 4 th March if residents had applied for Co-Option.	Clerk
4	Report from Cornwall Councillor C Cllr Long had circulated his newsletter.	
5	Declarations of Interest and Dispensations a) Interest in Agenda Items None b) Gifts to declare None c) Written Dispensations requested None	
6	Approval of Minutes a) Ordinary Parish Council Minutes of 3 rd December were Proposed Cllr Brown Seconded Cllr Fry, All in Favour.	
7	Matters arising from Minutes a) Cllr Wilkins stated that Footpath Finger Posts were to be installed at Ashton Barton, and opposite Coombe Park. b) Trees obstructing the paths had been cleared. c) CC Local Access Team were in discussion with the landowner re obstructions near Corneal Farm. d) The ground matting will be replaced on the Basket Swing when the weather dries up e) The closure of the pedestrian gate access to Lovells had been adjusted.	Cllr Hughes
8	Planning a) Planning Applications Considered None b) Planning Applications received after the publication of the agenda None c) Planning Decisions	

	<p>The Planning Inspectors decision to allow the appeal and grant planning permission for PA23/00881 Land Adj Stone Cross St Dominick Cornwall was noted.</p> <p>d) Planning Correspondence None</p>	
9	<p>Footpaths</p> <p>a) Cllr Wilkins intended to arrange a time and date when the rain stops to do the Dilletts footpath surfacing.</p> <p>b) Cllr Wilkins had been advised to use non slip abrasive paint for the bridge at Radland Mill.</p> <p>c) Cllr Cox stated the barbed wire near Morden Farm had been removed.</p> <p>d) Cllr Wilkins stated that 3 Heritage Trail Way marker posts on NT land need replacing and will contact George Holmes at Cotehele again for them to action.</p>	<p>Cllr Wilkins</p> <p>Clerk</p>
10	<p>Highways</p> <p>a) Cllr Brady Proposed, Seconded Cllr Hughes, that a salt/grit bin is purchased for Halton Quay, approx. cost £300 All in Favour</p> <p>b) Signage for speed reduction at Tipwell Lane should be requested from CAP Local Highways Improvement Scheme.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllrs Brady & Cox</p>
11	<p>Safety Inspections</p> <p>a) Inspections from previous month. The checklists were noted. Cllr Hughes offered to ease the door on the Ex GPO box.</p> <p>b) Cllrs Brady and Hughes volunteered to carry out inspections for March.</p> <p>c) Residents of Baber Court were considering forming a Residents Group, they will liaise with Cllr Fry. Pest control had been efficient, but repairs to guttering etc were still required.</p>	<p>Cllr Hughes</p> <p>Cllr Brady & Hughes</p> <p>Cllr Fry</p>
12	<p>Play Equipment, Recreation Ground</p> <p>a) The resident who had offered to lead on providing Adult Exercise Equipment has asked for guidance on engaging with the community.</p> <p>b) Cllr Fry Proposed, Seconded Cllr Wenmoth, that we accept the increased charges for maintenance of Lovells, All in Favour.</p> <p>c) Cllr Cox will investigate options re maintenance of Lovells Hedge to prevent obstructing the footpath.</p>	<p>Cllr Fry & Hughes</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Cox</p>
13	<p>Bus Shelter and other Assets</p> <p>a) Cllr Fry will look at installing shelves for a Book Exchange in the Bus Shelter for a 6 month trial. Proposed Cllr Potter, Seconded Cllr Hunn, All in Favour.</p>	<p>Cllr Fry</p>
14	<p>Defibrillator</p> <p>A request for provision of a defibrillator at Halton Quay was considered, however residents were not supportive. A suitable site with electricity and Wi-Fi had not been found. No Support</p>	
15	<p>Reports</p> <p>a) Parish Hall Cllr Cox stated that new acoustic panels had been installed.</p> <p>b) Community Shop January income had exceeded expectations, possibly due to the storms.</p> <p>c) Community Area Panel The request for Highway Improvement Programme closes February 27th.</p>	
16	<p>Correspondence</p>	

	<p>a) Cllr Wilkins Proposed, Seconded Cllr Hunn, that the offer of a bench at Halton Quay from Tamar Valley National Landscapes is accepted, All in Favour. Permission for siting may be needed from Pentillie Estate.</p> <p>b) Cllr Hughes Proposed, Seconded Cllr Brady for a budget of up to £30 for a Ukrainian Flag to be flown on February 24th, All In Favour.</p>	<p>Clerk Cllr Hughes</p>
17	<p>Community Engagement</p> <p>a) Cllr Hunn Proposed, Seconded Cllr Wilkins, that the PC funds a space in the Chapel for a Surgery for a 6 month trial for Cllr Long, All in Favour.</p> <p>b) Cllr Brown stated that Saltash Red Bus will pick up every week. Thursdays 10am. Alternate weeks Waitrose and Saltash. In between weeks; Sainsburys and M&S/Aldi in Plymouth £4 return. She will co-ordinate numbers.</p> <p>c) Residents want IT support as and when, but do not want training. The Locum Clerk suggested that Volunteer Cornwall be approached for further information.</p>	<p>Clerk Cllr Brown Clerk</p>
18	<p>Training</p> <p>a) Cllr Brady Proposed, Seconded Cllr Fry that the PC fund the new Clerk joining SILCA, at a cost of £170, All in Favour</p>	
19	<p>Finance</p> <p>a) Payments for January Cllr Wenmoth Proposed, Seconded Cllr Brown, that the payments for January be made, and receipts noted, All in Favour</p> <p>b) Payments for December Cllr Fry Proposed, Seconded Cllr Potter, that the payments for December be ratified, after circulation via email, All in Favour</p> <p>c) Bank Reconciliation and Cashflow Cllr Cox Proposed that these be noted as accurate, Seconded Cllr Brady, All in Favour</p>	<p>Clerk Clerk Clerk</p>
20	<p>Urgent items not on the Agenda</p> <p>None</p>	Clerk
21	<p>Items for next Agenda</p> <p>Cllr Hunn requested an update on empty National Trust residential properties.</p>	Clerk
22	<p>Details of next meeting</p> <p>The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be on March 4th at St Dominick Parish Hall at 7.00pm. Potentially an Extraordinary Meeting for Co-Option at 6.30pm.</p>	

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 20.42pm

Signed.....Chairman Dated.....

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