

# Minutes of St Dominic Parish Council Meeting

**Wednesday 22 July 2026 at 7.00pm at St Dominick Parish Hall**

**Present:** A Cox (Chair), G Brown, J Wenmoth, G Wilkins, S Brady, S Clewes, K Hughes.

**Also in attendance:** Cornwall Cllr A Long, AM Clark (Parish Clerk) and 2 members of the public.

| Item |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Action by |
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| 1    | <b>Apologies</b><br>Cllrs Fry, Potter and Hunn submitted written apologies for absence to the Clerk.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |           |
| 2    | <b>Public Participation and Council's Response</b><br>A member of the public spoke about community involvement and benefits arising from large-scale renewable energy developments, particularly in relation to any future EDF proposals.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |           |
| 3    | <b>Report from Cornwall Councillor Andrew Long</b><br>Cllr Long provided an update on a number of matters:<br>Planning: changes to the planning system mean applications for fewer than nine dwellings may no longer be called to committee.<br>Solar developments: Cllr Long confirmed no planning application has yet been submitted for Viverdon Down.<br>South West Water: more than 60 parish and town councils have now supported the campaign for a vote of no confidence in South West Water. Cornwall Council had also voted unanimously in favour of a vote of no confidence.<br>Dupath Road: progress was reported regarding road safety concerns.<br>Tungsten mine: planning permission has been granted for the final stage of drilling.<br>Planning consultations: Cllr Long reminded the Parish Council that it can submit comment on planning applications even where a formal consultation is not required.<br>Councillor security: Cornwall Council is reviewing security advice for councillors and updated advice will be circulated when available. |           |
| 4    | <b>Declarations of Interest</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <b>Interest in Agenda Items</b><br/>None.</li> <li>b) <b>Gifts to declare</b><br/>None.</li> <li>c) <b>Written Dispensations requested</b><br/>None.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |           |
| 5    | <b>Approval of Minutes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) It was proposed by Cllr Wenmoth, seconded by Cllr Brown and resolved to approve the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 3 June 2026 as a true and accurate record of the meeting, with one abstention.</li> <li>b) It was proposed by Cllr Wenmoth, seconded by Cllr Brown and resolved to approve the minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 17 June 2026 as a true and accurate record of the meeting.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |           |
| 6    | <b>Matters arising from Minutes</b><br>None.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |           |
| 7    | <b>Planning</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <b>Planning Applications considered</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |           |

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|           | <p><b>PA26/04407</b><br/> Haye Coombe Cottage, Middle Cross Field, Bohetherick, PL12 6SZ<br/> Proposed pond.<br/> Cornwall Council determined that prior approval was not required and the application was approved.</p> <p>b) <b>Planning Applications received after the publication of the agenda</b><br/> <b>PA26/04875</b><br/> Tremlett Cottages Bohetherick Saltash PL12 6SZ<br/> Proposal Works to Trees within a Conservation Area.<br/> The Council had no objection but agreed not to submit comments on the application.</p> <p>c) <b>Planning Decisions</b><br/> None.</p> <p>d) <b>Planning Correspondence</b><br/> None.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                          |
| <b>8</b>  | <p><b>Neighbourhood Priority Statement</b><br/> The Clerk reported on responses received from other parish councils regarding Neighbourhood Priority Statements. Responses were mixed. After careful consideration, it was decided not to produce an NPS. Proposed by Cllr Wilkins, seconded by Cllr Brady with all in favour.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                          |
| <b>9</b>  | <p><b>Footpaths</b></p> <p>a) Cllr Long was asked to assist in progressing the outstanding issue with Dilletts footpath. Cllr to write to the relevant contact and copy in Cllr Long.</p> <p>b) An inspection of the lower bridge at Radland Mill had been undertaken and it was agreed that the bridge should continue to be monitored and inspected periodically with the next inspection in December 2028.</p> <p>c) Cllr Long was asked to assist in progressing the issue with the fence on the path NW of Brendon. Clerk to write to the relevant contact and copy in Cllr Long.</p> <p>d) A further update was provided regarding the incorrect route shown on the definitive map at Radland Mill. Evidence from people who have used the route is required to support the application to have the correct route recorded. It was agreed that evidence forms would be made available locally and publicised through the parish communication channels.</p> | <p><b>Clerk, C<br/>Cllr Long</b></p> <p><b>Clerk, C<br/>Cllr Long</b></p> <p><b>Cllr<br/>Wilkins</b></p> |
| <b>10</b> | <p><b>Highway Matters</b></p> <p>a) Following a meeting with local residents, it was confirmed that residents at Halton Quay did not currently wish for a salt bin to be installed. As the Council had previously resolved to purchase the bin, and the standing orders restrict the reversal of a resolution within six months, the matter will be reconsidered after the six-month period.</p> <p>b) Cllr Long reported that the bollard at Squirrel Cottage was on the list but the list was lengthy.</p> <p>c) Signage for large lorries using the lane from the Who'd to Cotehele still in progress.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Clerk</b>                                                                                             |
| <b>11</b> | <p><b>Safety Inspections</b></p> <p>a) The safety inspections undertaken during the previous month were noted, together with the completed inspection checklists.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                          |

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|           | <p>b) Cllrs Hughes and Brown volunteered to carry out inspections for August with Cllr Clewes available to assist. Cllrs Wenmoth and Wilkins will undertake the September inspection.</p> <p>c) No update on Baber Court.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                               |
| <b>12</b> | <p><b>Play Equipment and Recreation Ground</b></p> <p>a) The Gym Equipment Committee has not yet met since the previous report as it was awaiting further information regarding grant applications. A meeting will be arranged with Sue Morrish to progress the paperwork and any grant application requiring the Parish Council's approval/signature will be brought back to the Council for consideration.</p> <p>b) Measurements for the proposed basketball practice facility have been given to the National Trust and remains with them for consideration.</p> <p>c) The possible installation of a toilet at Lovells was discussed. Cllr Clewes reported that costs were approx. £3,500 for a standard unit and £4,500 for an accessible unit. Before progressing further, Cllr Cox will discuss the proposal with the Parish Hall committee, regarding the siting, cleaning, security and ongoing maintenance responsibilities. The matter will then return to the Parish Council for further consideration.</p> | <p><b>Gym Equipment committee</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b><br/><b>Cllr Cox</b></p> |
| <b>13</b> | <p><b>Bus Shelter and other Assets</b></p> <p>a) Cllr Fry to report on progress with Book Exchange in Bus Shelter at the next Parish Council meeting.</p> <p>b) The Clerk reported that the matter was in progress with the Chatty Bench signage.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p><b>Cllr Fry</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p>                                    |
| <b>14</b> | <p><b>Reports</b></p> <p>a) <b>Parish Hall</b><br/>Cllr Cox reported that the plant sale had been successful. The car park surface requires attention and the Hall Committee will seek advice regarding repairs to potholes. The Community Shop has requested a lockable box for the plants. Upcoming events include: Pasty and Pud: 17 Oct and Christmas Concert: 6 Dec.</p> <p>b) <b>Community Shop</b><br/>No update.</p> <p>c) <b>Community Area Panel</b><br/>No update.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                               |
| <b>15</b> | <p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>a) The Clerk reported that the National Trust has responded regarding vacant properties and will provide further information when available.</p> <p>b) Cllr Clewes has spoken to Pentillie Estate who are happy with a bench being reinstated at Halton Quay. The possibility of a life ring was discussed. Before any decision is made, the Clerk will establish if the offer of a bench is still available and check the Council's insurance position in relation to a life ring.</p> <p>c) Cllr Cox reported that St Austell Brewery were looking at reopening The Who'd. The Council discussed the idea of registering the pub as an Asset of Community Value. It was agreed that Cllr Brown will investigate the process and report back to Council.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>Cllr Brown</b></p>              |
| <b>16</b> | <p><b>Community Engagement</b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                               |
| <b>17</b> | <p><b>Training</b></p> <p>No training requirements.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                               |

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| <b>18</b> | <b>Finance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Payments for June were agreed. Proposed by Cllr Wilkins, seconded by Cllr Brown, with all in favour.</li> <li>b) The cashflow and bank reconciliation were noted as accurate. Proposed by Cllr Hughes, seconded by Cllr Clewes, with all in favour.</li> <li>c) The Clerk reported that the transfer of funds to the 32-day savings account remained in progress.</li> <li>d) The Clerk provided an update on the outstanding HMRC matter.</li> <li>e) The Council considered the increase in the employee mileage allowance and it was proposed by Cllr Wilkins, seconded by Cllr Hughes, with all in favour to increase the allowance from 45p to 55p per mile.</li> <li>f) It was proposed by Cllr Wilkins, seconded by Cllr Brady, with all in favour for payments for July to be authorised by email following the circulation of a payment schedule.</li> </ul> | <b>Clerk</b><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><b>Clerk Clerk</b> |
| <b>19</b> | <b>Urgent items not on the agenda</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Councillors discussed the forthcoming CALC briefing relating to community renewable energy. Councillors interested in attending will arrange registration.</li> <li>b) An electric bicycle being used on the recreation ground was discussed and the matter noted.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                        |
| <b>20</b> | <b>Items for next agenda</b><br>None.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                        |
| <b>21</b> | <b>Details of next meetings</b><br>The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 2 September at 7pm.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                        |

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 20.59pm

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