Minutes of St Dominic Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 7 October 2026 at 7.00pm at St Dominick Parish Hall

Present: A Cox (Chair), G Brown, J Wenmoth, G Wilkins, S Brady, D Potter, K Hunn, D Fry.
Also in attendance: Cornwall Cllr A Long, AM Clark (Parish Clerk) and 1 member of the public.

Item		Action by
1	**Apologies** Cllrs Hughes and Clewes submitted written apologies for absence to the Clerk.	
2	**Public Participation and Council's Response** Nothing to report.	
3	**Report from Cornwall Councillor Andrew Long** Cllr Andrew Long reported that he was pursuing outstanding highways and housing maintenance issues with Cornwall Council. This includes Baber Court and he has written to the Portfolio Holder for Housing on this matter. He advised that there were more potential solar farm proposals with possibly a second at Dupath, although formal applications were still awaited. He also provided an update on the tungsten mining project, highlighting potential employment opportunities and future public consultation. Cllr Long discussed changes to neighbourhood planning, including the forthcoming referendum on Callington's Neighbourhood Plan, and welcomed plans to expand special educational needs provision at Callington Community College. He also reported ongoing efforts to address Tamar Bridge toll charges and the funding of the bridge, noting some progress in discussions with Government.	
4	**Declarations of Interest** a) **Interest in Agenda Items** Cllrs Cox and Wenmoth delared an interest in Item 17 c). b) **Gifts to declare** None. c) **Written Dispensations requested** None.	
5	**Approval of Minutes** a) It was proposed by Cllr Wenmoth, seconded by Cllr Brady, with all in favour, to approve the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 2 September 2026 as a true and accurate record of the meeting.	
6	**Matters arising from Minutes** None.	
7	**Planning** a) **Planning Applications considered** None. b) **Planning Applications received after the publication of the agenda** None. c) **Planning Decisions** None.	

	d) **Planning Correspondence** None.	
8	**Footpaths** a) The matter with Dilletts path is still ongoing. Cllr Cox will follow up with Cllr Long if there is no further progress. Cllr Wilkins to write to Cllr Long regarding the path north-west of Brendon. b) Cllr Wilkins has created a pack for residents who have used the route at Radland Mill for distribution, completion and return.	**Cllrs Cox, Wilkins** **Cllr Wilkins**
9	**Highway Matters** a) No update has been received regarding the proposed signage for large lorries using the lane from the Who'd to Cotehele, despite the Clerk having followed up. Clerk to continue chasing.	**Clerk**
10	**Safety Inspections** a) The safety inspections undertaken during the previous month were noted, together with the completed inspection checklists. Cllr Brady proposed holding a 'Recreation Field Day' at Lovells to clean, repair and maintain the equipment. It was agreed that this would take place on Sunday 22 November at 10.00am. Cllr Brady was thanked for cleaning the defib telephone box. b) Cllrs Brown and Hughes or Clewes to carry out inspections for November. c) Cllr Long updated on Baber Court during his report. d) Cllr Hughes had sent his apologies for the meeting and was therefore unable to provide an update on the quotes for the multiplay equipment.	**All** **Cllrs Brown Hughes or Clewes** **Cllr Hughes**
11	**Play Equipment and Recreation Ground** a) Cllr Cox reported that he had spoken with Sue Morrish, who wished to clarify that the minutes of the previous meeting did not accurately reflect her role in the funding application. Cllr Brown has started work on a National Lottery funding application. The Clerk to assist with financial details. b) Basketball facility. No councillors reported any feedback following a request for comments in Sept Parish News. c) The matter of installing a new bin at Lovells Park is in hand and the Clerk will provide an update on progress at the next meeting.	**Cllr Brown** **Clerk**
12	**Bus Shelter and Other Assets** a) The Clerk provided an update on the Chatty Bench signage and raised concerns about the possibility of the QR code being copied or tampered with, potentially redirecting users to a website other than the Parish Council's website. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Wilkins and seconded by Cllr Brady that the QR code be used. Inspection of the QR code will be added to the safety inspection sheets.	**Clerk**
13	**Reports from other Community Groups** a) Parish Hall Management Committee Cllr Cox reminded the council of the Pasty and Pud event on 17 Oct. b) Community Shop	

	Cllr Wilkins reported that there was a new board member and more volunteers and customers would be welcomed. c) Community Area Partnership A meeting taking place on 3 Dec. Cllrs Fry and Cox will be attending.	
14	**Correspondence** a) The Clerk gave an update on the position with insurance on the proposed bench at Halton Quay and will report back on costs involved. b) Life ring – as above. c) Cllr Brown reported that she will register an interest for The Who'd to be an Asset of Community Value. d) The Council discussed the letter received from the National Trust and agreed that the Clerk would write to the tenants at Fursdon, enclosing a copy of the letter.	**Clerk** **Cllr Brown** **Clerk**
15	**Community Engagement** a) Cllr Brown provided an update on the community energy scheme. It was agreed that this item would be removed from the agenda. b) Councillors confirmed that they would attend the Remembrance Service. It was proposed by Cllr Potter and seconded by Cllr Wilkins that a donation of £50 be made. The proposal was carried, with five votes in favour and three abstentions.	**Clerk**
16	**Training** No training requirements.	
17	**Grant Applications** a) Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Hunn and seconded by Cllr Brady that a donation of £1,000 be made to St Dominick PCC for maintenance. All were in favour. b) It was proposed by Cllr Brady and seconded by Cllr Hunn, with 2 abstentions, that consideration of a donation towards the floor and clock repairs be deferred until the following month. This is pending confirmation of the amount raised through the St Dominick PCC public appeal. c) Cllrs Cox and Wenmoth left the room. It was proposed by Cllr Wilkins and seconded by Cllr Brown that the Parish Council contribute towards the Parish Hall car park repairs, with the contract to be between the Parish Council and the contractor. All were in favour.	**Clerk**
18	**Finance** a) Payments for October were agreed. Proposed by Cllr Brady, seconded by Cllr Brown, with all in favour. b) The cashflow and bank reconciliation were noted as accurate. Proposed by Cllr Wilkins, seconded by Cllr Brady, with all in favour. c) The Clerk reported that the external audit had been concluded.	**Clerk**
19	**Urgent items not on the agenda** None.	
20	**Items for next agenda** None.	

21	**Details of next meetings** The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be held at St Dominic Parish Hall on Wednesday 4 November at 7pm.	

It was proposed by Cllr Fry, seconded by Cllr Brady, with all in favour, that the meeting be extended by ten minutes. The Chair closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

Signed……..Chairman Dated…….