



**Minutes of a Full Council Meeting of St Clement Parish Council held at St
Clement Parish Hall on Tuesday 27th January 2026 at 7.00pm**

Present: Councillors T Cowling, H James (Chairman), K Littlejohns, S Salvoni, D Stone & M Stoner

In Attendance: Tomas Hill (Clerk) and Cllr L Rich CC

1/26 APOLOGIES

Cllr Jackson had submitted his apologies due to work commitments.

Cllr James proposed, Cllr Stone seconded and the Council **resolved** to accept Cllr Jackson's apology.

2/26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

Cllr Littlejohns declared an interest in Agenda Items 9/26 & 10/26 due to being an allotment holder.

3/26 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

4/26 CORNWALL COUNCILLORS

Cllr Glasson CC was not present and did not submit any apologies or associated report.

Cllr Rich CC reported that the government settlement was less than expected and therefore the Cornwall Council budget would consequently be worse than anticipated. Cllr Rich CC had obtained two National Landscape cast iron signs. One sign had been given to the 'Friends of Sunny Corner' to erect and one was available to St Clement Parish Council. Cllr Rich CC contended that the results of Storm Goretti would be months of highway clearance and scheduled works would be consequently delayed.

5/26 MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Cllr Littlejohns proposed, seconded by Cllr James and the Council **resolved** to approve the minutes of the previous Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25th November 2025 as a true and accurate account of the meeting.

6/26 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The following planning application had been approved with conditions:

PA25/06796 Proposed demolition of the former public toilets and construction of 1no self-build dwelling with timber patio and a car parking deck - Public Conveniences Malpas TR1 1SQ (Agenda Item 150/25).

PA25/08079 Full approval to retain existing nursery (current approval is for 15 years). No changes are proposed as part of this application. With removal of condition 1 in respect of PA12/02332 dated 20/11/2012 - Penair Happy Days Nursery Penair School St Clement TR1 1TN (Agenda Item 191/25).

PA25/08424 External works, Alterations to Outbuilding and Proposed Porch to House - Victoria House St Clement TR1 1TD (Agenda Item 193/25).

The following planning application had been granted:

PA25/09443 Permission in principle for a proposed housing scheme of up to 3 dwellings (minimum 2, maximum 3 dwellings) - The Quarry Malpas TR1 1SQ

N.B. The Council did not comment on this application.

Per 206/25, the Clerk had submitted the precept requirements to Cornwall Council.

7/26 CORRESPONDENCE

As per usual, the Clerk had circulated various correspondence to Councillors between meetings.

The Council had received a briefing invitation for Tuesday 24th February 2026 from Cornwall Council concerning national planning changes and consultations from Government. An extract of the invitation is as follows:

“This event will provide more information on what these changes are and aim to help local councils submit their own responses to the Government’s current consultations. It will complement our recently published [briefing note](#) that provides a brief summary of the key changes to national planning policy. Full NPPF consultation may be viewed at: [National Planning Policy Framework: draft text](#). Depending on changes finally agreed by Government, a number of Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan policies may be out of date from the publication of the final NPPF expected in March/April. We will be assessing this and will update on this separately once the final NPPF is in place. You can find a list of open Government consultations and

closing dates on the [Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government website](#)".

8/26 TRESILLIAN SUMMER AND WINTER PLANTING

Tresillian Village Improvement Group had submitted a request for summer and winter planting in Tresillian as per previous years.

Cllr Salvoni proposed, Cllr Stone seconded and the Council **resolved** funding not exceeding £450.00 plus VAT.

Cllr Littlejohns left the room.

9/26 TRESILLIAN ALLOTMENT

Following reports of storm damage to the fencing adjacent to the allotment car park, the Clerk had met with a fencing contractor (who had previously undertaken work for the Council) and consequently obtained a quotation.

Cllr James proposed, Cllr Littlejohns seconded and the Council **resolved** to agree a budget of £4,000.00 plus £500.00 for additional repairs, obtain an additional quotation and delegate the decision to the Clerk.

10/26 TRESILLIAN ALLOTMENT

The Clerk reported that the toilet in the allotment required replacement.

The Thetford 92820 Porta Potti 365 at £80.90 from Amazon had been identified as a suitable replacement.

Cllr James proposed, Cllr Cowling seconded and the Council **resolved** to purchase a new toilet.

Cllr Littlejohns returned to the room.

11/26 ST CLEMENT PARISH HALL

The Clerk reported that South West Community Builds had requested a submission extension to 31st January 2025 and was agreed by the Community Capacity Fund.

The Clerk had also made contact with the Duchy of Cornwall to reignite discussions concerning land opposite the hall.

12/26 ST CLEMENT PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Due to Storm Gorretti, the unisex toilet had flooded and following communication with the Chairman and Councillors, emergency cleaning was authorised at a cost of £220.00. The Chairman felt that the wall needed to be raised and any channel / pipe cleared.

Cllr Salvoni proposed, seconded by Cllr James and the Council **resolved** to authorise the emergency works amounting to £220.00 and an initial budget of £300.00 to investigate the issue.

The Chairman reported that RTP had produced a survey of the existing building and was progressing onto the next stage.

13/26 HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

The Clerk had written to Viv Bidgood (Highways Manager – Cornwall Highways) concerning available CIL monies of up to £100,000.00 for "connecting communities" in relation to Tresillian Bridge. The Clerk stated that the dangerous bend at Tresillian Bridge cuts off safe connectivity to Tresillian Church and St Michael Penkivel and enquired as to the feasibility to construct a pedestrian bridge at Tresillian Bridge on the seaward side utilising CIL monies. The Clerk had also enquired as to whether the monies could be used for improvements to the Trehane / Bodrean junction and received the following response:

"Further to our recent correspondence ref the Trehane junction, any significant improvement is likely to be beyond the available CAP budget and therefore not feasible from that pot. The "relatively cost effective" measures are already being considered by CC i.e. moving the warning sign to provide better advanced awareness of the junction, which I understand is in hand.

The bend at Tresillian bridge was subject to a safety improvement in relatively recent years, which realigned the carriageway to reduce the intensity of the bend, whilst also adding measures to improve deflection of any vehicles misjudging the bend. Thankfully, there have been no injury collisions at this location within at least the last 5 years, therefore this improvement has been very successful in improving safety. In terms of the idea of a new pedestrian bridge on the seaward side of the existing bridge it is noted that there is already a segregated footway in this location which appears adequate in enabling pedestrians to navigate the bridge safely. The Council do not control the land to the seaward side (I understand this is Tregothnan Estate land), therefore landowner agreement would need to be secured in the first instance to enable further discussion. I would not rule out the possibility of a new pedestrian bridge in the future, however, this would be a further maintenance burden on the Council and whether or not such a structure could be delivered and/or adopted for the budget available is unclear, given feasibility/detailed design would also need to be funded, alongside likely full public and statutory consultation. Planning consent would also need to be considered and could well prove problematic, in particular, given the existing environmental constraints around the bridge/river i.e. designated County Wildlife Site and possibly other constraints from other agencies such as Environment Agency".

The Clerk had also raised the matter with the Clerk of St Michael Penkivel Parish Council who stated that it would be discussed at their next meeting in March 2026.

14/26 TREHANE JUNCTION

Following the resolution per Agenda Item 158/25, the transferor's legal fees were higher than anticipated.

The other party's legal costs would be in the sum of £1,750.00 plus VAT plus disbursements (which would be limited to £100.00). The Council were requested to provide an undertaking to be responsible for their fees, whether or not it proceeds to completion and to enable the Council's solicitor to provide that undertaking a payment from the Council in the sum of £2,200.00 was required. The Council's anticipated fees was anticipated not to exceed £900.00 plus VAT and disbursements which would not exceed £60.00.

Cllr James proposed, seconded by Cllr Stoner and the Council **resolved** to agree the quoted legal fees.

15/26 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY SIGNAGE

Councillors considered correspondence from Truro Loops CIC concerning signage.

The Clerk was confident that Cormac Countryside Service should be able to provide replacement posts if the Council can facilitate installation and would contact the Cormac Countryside Service in the first instance.

16/26 NEIGHBOURHOOD PRIORITY STATEMENTS

The Clerk reported that he had contacted the Neighbourhood Planning Team at Cornwall Council concerning an expression of interest for a Neighbourhood Priority Statement. The Council had been added to the "*NPS interest register*" and "*more information and guidance will be coming soon*".

17/26 TELEPHONE KIOSKS

Cllr Littlejohns had distributed some research but was having difficulty identifying suitable locks.

18/26 FINANCE

The Clerk presented a budget monitoring report and bank reconciliation dated 27th January 2026 which was duly noted.

Cllr Littlejohns proposed, Cllr Salvoni seconded and the Council **resolved** to approve the payments per the budget monitoring report inset box entitled 'payments for authorisation' to the total sum of £17,212.70.

19/26 REPORTS FROM MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

Cllr Cowling had attended the Roseland and Truro Community Area Partnership and discussed community liaison with neighbouring parishes such as using a mini bus.

20/26 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - matters to be included as an agenda item at the next meeting

St Clement Public Conveniences
Village Hall
Telephone kiosks
Public right of way signage

The meeting closed at 20:20.

Signed as a true record of the meeting.

Chairman

The next Full Council Meeting would be held at Malpas Village Hall on Tuesday 24th February 2026.