

Minutes of the Meeting of St Just in Roseland Parish Council held on Monday 3rd March 2025 in the Millennium Room, St Mawes. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

Councillors Present: R Giles (Chair), E Andrew, P Hare-Scott, S Goldsmith, K Ives, C Williams, P Salter, R Baylis, K Warren, A Fordham, A Marchant

Also present: J German (Cornwall Councillor)*, H Couch (Parish Clerk), R Fordham (Parish Administrator) and seven members of the public

1. To accept apologies for absence: None

2. Declaration of Interest:

- a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest – None declared
- b) Non-Registerable Interest – None declared
- c) Of gifts to the value of more than £25 - None declared
- d) To consider requests for dispensation on items on the agenda – None declared

3. Public Participation:

St Mawes Recreation Ground:

The Chair of the Recreation Ground Committee gave an update on the progress of their plans to upgrade and introduce new facilities for the community and thanked the Parish Council for their ongoing support. The feedback from the public consultation meetings was mainly positive, and plans have been altered to take account of public concerns. The padel court would now be situated behind the tennis court, to allow for greater green space between the MUGA (multi-use games area for football and basketball) and the skateboard park, and to attempt to address concerns about noise. The two pétanque pitches and the zipwire would be moved to the right of the recreation ground just below the hut. The existing tennis court also needs resurfacing, the cost of which would be included in the business plan for the build.

Concerns about the need, growing popularity, cost and use of the padel court were discussed. It could produce a significant income stream for the Recreation Ground, although the business plan is yet to be finalised. The MUGA and pétanque pitches would be free to use.

Concerns were also raised about the sustainability of the project – as mentioned before, obtaining grants to start capital projects isn't necessarily the problem, but the ongoing upkeep can be difficult.

A request was made by a councillor to perhaps construct the MUGA first and then consider going forward with the padel and pétanque areas. Due to the logistics of drainage and construction, the Recreation Ground Committee considered that doing the project in stages would be much more expensive.

The Chair of the Recreation Ground informed the meeting that a planning application is going to be submitted to Cornwall Council, and asked the Parish Council to consider financing the cost of the installation of the MUGA. The completed business plan will be submitted to the Finance Committee for consideration.

4. Confirmation of the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th February 2025.

The Council **RESOLVED**, by a show of hands by those who had attended that the said minutes be approved, with minor changes. All in favour and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising:

St Mawes Traffic Consultation

The Clerk confirmed that Cormac had received many comments, mainly negative, about the proposed parking changes. They will arrange a meeting to discuss next steps.

5. Cornwall Councillor Report

It was agreed this item would be moved back until Cllr German arrived.

6. Clerks Report

The Clerk confirmed that the new server had been installed by Acronyms Ltd and was working well. Problems with the financial software had been causing considerable problems, but this has also now been resolved.

7. External Committees & Local Representatives

Heritage Group

Cllr Williams confirmed that the Heritage Group had released their interest in the gig club building, and that the building has now been sold, with the gig club as ground floor tenants.

No training recorded.

8. Correspondence – An email was read to the meeting concerning signage at St Just in Roseland, and the contents noted.

9. Accounts and Finance

The Council was asked to approve the following payments:

The Bacs were approved	None
Direct Debits/Debit Card/ Standing Orders shown as paid in February	£14,274.08
Salaries for February	£5,096.97
Income shown as received during February	£6,123.99

Approval of the payments of accounts was proposed by Cllr Baylis and seconded by Cllr Salter. All in favour by a show of hands. **RESOLVED** by the Council.

The car park income for February was noted.

	Pay & Display	Pay & Display	Permits	Permits	Total
	Monthly	Cumulative	Monthly	Cumulative	Cumulative
Feb-24	4,889.30	224,558.65	0.00	43,807.33	268,365.98
Feb-25	5,305.50	212,477.50	0.00	28,935.00	241,412.50
Feb 2025 comparable with 2024	416.20	-12,081.15		-14,872.33	-26,953.48

This includes £4,574.00 (gross) taken on card payments.

A quote from Wheeler Roofing to mend the broken tiles on the roof of the public toilets in St Mawes was discussed. Although it was not an agenda item, it was agreed to go ahead with the repair as the cost is under the Clerk's discretionary threshold.

10. To note Committee Meetings held since last Full Parish Council Meeting and discuss recommendations:

- Planning Meeting held on 4th February. No recommendations.

11. Parish Issues/Concerns

Update on St Mawes Car Park and Fishermen's Cage

The appearance and surface area of the Fishermen's Cage in the car park is causing concern – the Clerk is to send a letter requesting improvement.

Relining and patching of certain areas in the car park is taking place in March.

Public Consultation Meeting – St Mawes Affordable Regeneration Teams – St Mawes School Playing Field

The Clerk gave a report about the meeting, which had taken place earlier that day. Cllr German had called the meeting for all interested parties which were: St Mawes School(Aspire Academy Trust), St Just in Roseland Parish Council, Community Land Trust, St Mawes Affordable Regeneration Team, Gerrans and St Mawes Football Club, Cornwall Council, and a representative from the local MP's office. The prevailing opinion about the plan to construct community-led housing on the St Mawes School playing field was very positive. The football club have offered their ground for all school sporting activities, and the Aspire Academy Trust are happy to give up the lease for the right project. The CLT would be the main named body as they have a legal constitution. There is money available (up to £40,000) for an early stage feasibility study. Another meeting will be held in a couple of months' time.

Update from the Way Forward

Cllr Fordham confirmed that all Way Forward activity was now confined to individual groups, with no central control. A request had come in for census information from the Wellbeing Group, to which Cllr German agreed to respond. Clerk to forward email.

Possible sites for the Cornwall Local Plan

It was agreed that the call for sites document asking the Parish Council to identify suitable areas within the parish for additional housing construction would be discussed at the next meeting of the Planning Committee on Monday 10th March and comments forwarded to Cornwall Council.

A concern was raised about the building site container that has been sited in St Just in Roseland for a considerable length of time, and which is causing problems with traffic. Cllr German confirmed that although complaints had been received, the building firm had been granted a Highway Licence for the container.

12. Future Meeting dates and road closures:

- Planning Meeting to be held on Monday 10th March at 6.00pm in the Millennium Rooms..

13. Any other business that the Chairman considers to be of urgency

Cllr Giles requested that the hedge on the corner by St Mawes Castle should be cut back further. Administrator to action.

Administrator to chase Summers Beach revetment repairs.

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14. Enforcement - None

15. Personnel Issues - None

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.25pm

The next meeting is on Monday 7th April 2025 at 7.00 pm in the Millennium Rooms, St Mawes.

Signed as a true record.....Chairman