

**Minutes of the Meeting of St Just in Roseland Parish Council held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2026 in the Millennium Room, St Mawes. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.**

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

**Also present:** H Couch (Parish Clerk), R Fordham (Parish Administrator), and four members of the public

**1. To accept apologies for absence:** Cllr Ives, Cllr German (Cornwall Councillor)

**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:**

Briefing on the proposed multi-use path from St Just in Roseland to St Mawes

The meeting was addressed by members of the group investigating the possibility of creating a multi-use footpath from St Just in Roseland to St Mawes. Following the first public consultation on the footpath, the next phases of development were outlined. All landowners had been informed and were broadly in favour, although it was noted that tenant farmers did have concerns, and had not been included in the early discussions, which was acknowledged as an error. If funding is obtained, the potential phases of development would be:

Phase 1 – Decision on the preferred route, with environmental and topographical studies commissioned, further public consultation and discussion with landowners for an agreement in principle.

Phase 2 – A detailed feasibility study for the preferred route to establish detailed plans, costings and construction design.

Phase 3 – Construction of the path.

Due to this being the early stages of the project, the Parish Council had agreed to act as the legal body for expressions of interest for feasibility funding for phases 1 and 2, but this is not an expression of approval or objection. If the plans do progress, the multi-use path group may constitute themselves as a charitable organisations to access funding streams independently from the Parish Council.

**4. Confirmation of the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026.**

The Council **RESOLVED**, by a show of hands by those who had attended, that the said minutes be approved, following a wording change in Item 11 – Parish Issues/Concerns.

*'A discussion took place where it was felt that there was still work to do with all the partners involved before the Parish Council would be happy with a scheme'.*

All in favour and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

**Matters arising:**

To update on condition of Summers Beach steps

Repairs are still pending, due to the continued impact of Storms Goretta and Ingrid around the county.

To update on condition of Summers Beach slipway fence

Cornwall Council have inspected the fence and the repairs to this 25m section of fence will be carried out in this financial year.

To update on condition of seawall in front of Marine Parade

Administrator to chase up both sea wall requests currently outstanding – Marine Parade and the wall below the Idle Rocks slipway.

**5. Cornwall Councillor Report**

Following Cllr German's apologies, he requested that the meeting be informed about two new government-backed schemes from Cornwall Council providing means-tested financial support to residents in need:

Crisis and Resilience Fund Energy Support Scheme

Crisis and Resilience Fund (CRF)

These have been promoted via the Parish Council's Facebook page

**6. Clerks Report**

Car Park Update:

- New charges in force from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026  
The new charging signage was installed by April 1<sup>st</sup>, and all is working well with the new payment machines. No user complaints to date.
- Reserved Parking Spaces  
These have now been allocated for the year 2026/27
- Enforcement for 2026  
The Clerk and Cllr German are currently in a negotiation with Cornwall Council to provide a level of cover satisfactory to both parties.

- Due to an error by Cornwall Council when the lease of the St Mawes Car Park took place, it has been requested that the responsibility for the lighting in the Car Park is to be transferred to the Parish Council from Cornwall Council. A discussion was held about whether the lights should be on 24 hours or off from midnight to 5am, and it was agreed to have them on 24 hours for security purposes.
- The Clerk highlighted the difficulty encountered by people parking in the staff spaces in front of the Parish Office. The number plates of persistent offenders will be passed on to the Community Enforcement Officers for immediate penalty notices.

Break in at St Mawes Toilets – 2.30am on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March

The cashpoint situated in the toilet block was unsuccessfully targeted, causing significant damage to the ladies toilet area. This has now been repaired, and investigations are ongoing by the police. The need for additional CCTV on the toilet block was highlighted. Clerk to action.

Wall damage in St Mawes Car Park – 12.10pm on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March

This incident was captured by CCTV and details passed on to the police, as the perpetrator failed to come forward.

TR2 Road Closure – 5<sup>th</sup> September 2026

The Clerk confirmed that she will apply for road closure for this fund-raising event.

**7. External Committees & Local Representatives**

Cllr Marchant confirmed that she had attended the latest St Mawes Recreation Ground Committee meeting. Ownership of the Recreation Ground has still not been transferred to the Parish Council, due to the paperwork still being with the solicitors. The question of upkeep of areas of the Recreation Ground not covered by the Parish Council grass-cutting contract was discussed, and a publicity drive for volunteers was suggested.

Cllr Giles confirmed that he has resigned from the Roseland Community Land Trust.

Clerk reminded Councillors that at the next meeting, all committee members would be decided, so please think of which committee you would like to sit on.

**8. Correspondence**

Parking issues on the front in St Mawes and St Just in Roseland

Correspondence received about this issue was noted. The St Mawes parking was not considered to be of an immediate danger at this time. However concern over the issue of the parking in St Just in Roseland outside the Red House and Old Post Office was noted, and the Clerk will investigate the legalities of permissive parking in this area with Cornwall Council.

Dog fouling on Summers Beach

Another complaint has been received about a group of dogs being allowed to roam the beach while owners are swimming. This has been discussed with the people concerned.

Mobile Sauna siting requested for the summer

A previous request to site a sauna on Summers Beach was denied by the Parish Council, and the same concerns about the suitability of Summers Beach for a sauna location were raised. It was noted that saunas sited on a beach are a growing trend. Further investigation may be required if more requests come forward.

Cornwall Council – Public Realm and re-introduction of weed treatment

Cornwall Highways are to begin a new programme of weed treatment and public realm improvements. A proposal was made for St Just in Roseland Parish Council to opt in to this programme was made by Cllr Salter, and seconded by Cllr Fordham. 9 in favour, 1 against. Clerk to respond to Cornwall Council.

**9. Accounts and Finance**

The Council was asked to note the following payments during March:

The Bacs were approved	£0.00
Direct Debits/Debit Card/ Standing Orders shown as paid in March	£14,390.02
Salaries for March	£5,195.17
Income shown as received during March	£29,972.82

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

The car park income for March was noted.

	Pay & Display	Pay & Display	Permits	Permits	Total
	Monthly	Cumulative	Monthly	Cumulative	Cumulative
March – 25	5,430.10	229,988.75		43,807.33	273,796.08
March – 26	7,638.90	229,064.75		47,946.70	277,011.45
<b>March 2026 comparable with 2025</b>					
<b>Up</b>	+2,208.80			+4,139.37	+3,215.37
<b>Down</b>		-924.00			

This includes £6987.00 (gross) taken on card payments.

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

- To note Personnel meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – no recommendations
- To note Planning meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – no recommendations

**11. Parish Issues/Concerns**

Housing register need in the parish

The current housing register information was noted:

- 33 on the list for a 1 bed house
- 6 on the list for a 2 bed house
- 2 on the list for a 3 bed house.

This was not considered a correct representation of housing need in the parish.

Annual Meeting and election of officers for committees

This will take place in the Millennium Rooms on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May, followed by a full Parish Council meeting. It was agreed that some of the year's Parish Council meetings will be held in the St Just Institute.

Other Parish Issues

Cllr Warren requested that the installation of signage for the new parking scheme along Tredenham Road be clarified, as there seems to be old and new signage there currently, with a potential for confusion. The markings for the new scheme have not yet been laid down. Administrator to action.

The closure of the footpath from Priory Point along the Percuil to Freshwater Boatyard is being ignored by some members of the public. The Countryside Officer has been informed of this. The reason for the delay in repairs until September is due to the bird nesting season.

**12. Future Meeting dates and road closures:**

- St Mawes Affordable Regeneration Team – Parish Meeting Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 5.15pm (Memorial Hall)
- Cornwall Cultural Strategy Consultation – for information – closing date 24/04/2026
- Planning Meeting to be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00 pm
- Finance Meeting to be held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 5.00 pm
- Car Park Meeting to be held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00 pm
- Cornwall National Landscape Management Plan Review – consultation closing date 3<sup>rd</sup> May

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

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**14. Enforcement – None**

**15. Personnel Issues – None**

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.30pm.**

The next meeting is on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at 7.00 pm in the Millennium Room, St Mawes.

**Signed as a true record.....Chairman**