Minutes of Morval Parish Council Meeting held at Widegates Village Hall on Wednesday 3 September 2025

Present: Councillors A Jackson (Chair), D Kirkland, J Kitson, C Pearn, G Tamblyn, S Murdoch, B Pengelly, T Patterson, Parish Clerk, Councillor M Gibbons (CC), 2 members of the public, PCSO D Billing

25/106 Apologies for Absence

None

25/107 Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda

Councillors Kitson and Pengelly declared an interest in PA25/05236 Steppes Lodge.

25/108 Open Forum/Public Participation

M Willmott had circulated a response from Baroness Taylor of Stevenage (Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Housing and Local Government) following planning concerns that he had raised. A zebra crossing was suggested to be installed outside the playpark.

A Macmillan coffee afternoon will take place at Widegates Village on the 28 September between 2-4 pm.

25/109 Devon and Cornwall Police Report

PCSO D Billing reported it had been a peaceful summer for Looe. There were 4 crimes in August, 2 criminal damage and 2 harassment. A parishioner asked if the private security had helped.

There had been reports of young people in the play park 2 -2.30 am during the weekend. PCSO D Billing agreed to add this to the patrols.

25/110 Cornwall Councillor Report

Councillor Gibbons reported that following the unexpected flooding volunteers had stepped in to help with the clear up. The Good Growth fund is coming to a close. We are waiting to see what the government is due to offer going forwards. Cornwall Council backed a motion on the 22 July calling on the Government to formally recognise Cornwall as the fifth nation. A fire had broken out at Lean Quarry between 22 July and 4 August. The Saltash Tunnel is a its most disruptive phase. I am still reviewing local bus services specifically the no 73 and looking at options to re-instate. It is hoped that Cornwall Council will deal with the overgrown vegetation on the footpath to the school. Concerns regarding empty council houses at 4 Tremayne Terrace and 12 and 16 Farriers Way will be followed up. There are significant changes coming to the planning system.

A parishioner asked if Cornwall Council would be bearing the cost of waste removal following the fire at Lean Quarry. The answer was not known at this time.

A parishioner asked if the Council Tax would be rising by the maximum cost again. The answer was not known at this time.

25/111 Minutes of the meeting held on the 2.7.25

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 2.7.25 which were confirmed as a true and correct record.

25/112 Planning

Applications

There were no objections to the following applications:-

 PA25/04902 East Trenean Farm Widegates Listed Building Consent for the replacement of two corroded mild steel conservation rooflights with two visually consistent stainless steel conservation rooflights with marine grade corrosion resistance and improved thermal efficiency. • PA25/05236 Steppes Lodge Sandplace Road St Martin Looe Listed Building Consent for re-roofing works to allow for removal of spray-foam insulation and installation of patio doors.

Approved

- PA25/03464 Courtyard Cottage Colvase Farm Widegates Change of use of two holidays lets into 2, 1 bedroom full residential dwellings with associated parking and amenity.
- PA25/02370 Removal of a porch, demolishing of two outbuildings and replacement with a two-storey extension Henna Cottage
- PA25/01830 Tudor Lodges Morval Change of use of 7 no holiday lodges to market dwellings and associated works (re-submission of PA22/04688)

25/113 Finance

It was resolved to approve the financial statements and payments that had been circulated including expenditure totalling £2629.07.

25/114 Play Park update

An email from the Directors of Farriers Way Management Ltd asking to ban ball games and add parking restrictions at a cost of £7k had been received. Councillors voted not to ban ball games given this area was specifically installed for ball games and new higher fencing was being installed. There was no evidence of systemic poor parking and it was resolved not to pursue parking restrictions at this time. The Parish Council do not have 7k available within the budget for this. Parishioners are reminded to report illegal parking to Cornwall Council and the Police. It was agreed to obtain a further quote for the repair of the path and proceed with the best value quote.

25/115 Correspondence for action

It was agreed to investigate the Peninsula Transport £100k Rural Mobility fund and make an application if possible.

25/116 Clerk's Report

Nothing to report

25/117 Correspondence for information (Circulated to all)

- Safer Cornwall Have Your Say Survey 2025
- National Highways: A38 Saltash Tunnel
- Peninsula Transport £100k Rural Mobility Fund
- Minutes for East Sub-Area Planning Committee, Tuesday, 5th August, 2025, 10.00 am
- Town and Parish Council Newsletter: 1 August 2025
- Affordable Housing Newsletter July 2025
- Agenda for Strategic Planning Committee, Thursday, 21st August, 2025, 10.00 am
- CALC: Training update S parkinson finance courses Schedule September 2025 to March 2026
- South East Cornwall CAP Climate Change & Nature Recovery Network/Community Engagement Network
- CC Public Spaces Protection Order: Review of existing dog bans on beaches
- Clean Cornwall Newsletter, CRCC
- Planning News for Local Councils and Agents Summer 2025 now available
- Minutes for East Sub-Area Planning Committee, Monday, 7th July, 2025, 10.00 am
- Closure Intention Notice Coombe Farm to Wilton Cottage, Widegates
- New Site Finder for Rural Housing Enabler Programme

25/118 Time, Date and Venue of next Parish Council Meeting

7.00pm on Wednesday 1.10.25 in Widegates Village Hall