

## **Minutes of Morval Parish Council Meeting held at Widegates Village Hall on Wednesday 5 November 2025**

**Present:** Councillors A Jackson (Chair), S Hutchins, D Kirkland, J Kitson, C Pearn, S Murdoch, B Pengelly, T Patterson, G Tamblyn, Parish Clerk, Councillor M Gibbons (CC), 4 members of the public

### **25/132 Apologies for Absence**

None

### **25/133 Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda**

None

### **25/134 Open Forum/Public Participation**

The applicant for plans to develop the field next to the play park provided information on the proposals for circa 50 dwellings, access, public open space and parking. A consultation had been planned but it was suggested deferring until later in the year to enable better advertising. Post meeting note - The consultation will be held 21.1.26 3-7 pm in Widegates Village Hall. There will be a mix of different family homes including bungalows and apartments. The Cornish hedges around the perimeter will be retained along with new planting and new hedging to buffer existing dwellings. The plans include a wildlife area in one corner and an orchard.

Parishioners raised concerns about water pressure in the area and inadequate drainage for sewage stating that the treatment plant at Shortacross is overwhelmed at times.

M Willmott reported the following:-

- At the Harvest in St Wenna's over 55Kg of food was donated to the Looe & Liskeard food bank. £150 was donated to the Gaza Appeal and £150 was raised for McMillan last month.
- Those participating in Remembrance Sunday will need to be at the Morval War Memorial by 10:45.
- Outlook: reconfirming that information for the Morval Parish Council section of Outlook will be forwarded to J Collings by 12<sup>th</sup> of the month, so the finished article to Outlook by 14<sup>th</sup> of the month.
- Following the presentation regarding plans for the 50 new houses: Given the desire for parishioner outreach, I was surprised that Outlook had not been used to inform all parishioners about the consultation and hoped that similar future events should use Outlook
- As a point of information, there had been 31 discharges from the local sewage works in the local water courses during 2024.

### **25/135 Devon and Cornwall Police Report**

PCSO D Billing report that during October there were 5 crimes reported to Devon and Cornwall Police, they are as follows:-

- 1 x Non-fatal Strangulation and Suffocation.
- 1 x Criminal Damage
- 1 x Theft
- 2 x Violence S47 and Less Serious.

### **25/136 Cornwall Councillor Report**

Councillor Jackson thanked Councillor Gibbons for organising the clearance of the path to the school.

Councillor Gibbons also recommended the planning consultation announced in public participation was postponed to allow a longer consultation.

There had been a lot of issues with the varying speed limits and overtaking lanes on the A38 to Plymouth. The Community area partnership has been written to. There was no consultation on the proposals. The Tideford puffin crossing has been approved for March 26. There is a scheduled road closure on the A387 at Hessenford.

**Station Road:-**

- The stabilisation project remains on schedule.
- Protective fencing is now in place, allowing work to continue safely without impacting rail services.
- Anchor drilling has begun on the upper section of the site.
- Overnight work has been completed, meaning less disruption for nearby residents.
- Signage around St Martin's Junction has been adjusted and additional vegetation removed to improve access for larger vehicles.
- Installation of scaffolding for the new parapet wall will begin this week.

**Sandplace:-**

- Cracking along the carriageway near the river continues to be monitored and traffic lights are there for everybody's safety.
- Investigations have confirmed a gas main close to the site, requiring further coordination with contractors.
- Trial pits will be excavated in the coming weeks to confirm the gas main's location.

Waste charges for Councils will be increased in 2026.

Home improvement loans to fund essential repairs and bring empty houses into use are available.

The Lean Quarry incident is ongoing and I am preparing a report.

There are some Community Chest monies available.

A parishioner raised a concern about a deceptive council tax summons from Cornwall Council. Parishioner to send copy of letter to Councillor M Gibbons.

Eastern Airways has gone into administration. They were coming to the end of the contract. A new operator is hoped to be found.

**25/137 Minutes of the meeting held on the 1.10.25**

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 1.10.25 which were confirmed as a true and correct record.

**25/138 Planning**Approved

- PA25/04902 East Trenean Farm 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.

**25/139 Finance**

- It was resolved to approve the latest Financial Statements and payments of £2798.30.

**25/140 Grant application Trenode School**

- It was resolved to make a donation of £100 to Trenode School on the proviso that funding could be found for the whole project. It was suggested the school apply to the Cornwall Council Community Chest Fund.

**25/141 Correspondence for action**

- The tenant on Trenode Field had noted that there was a lot of badger activity on the field. No action is necessary at this time.
- Councillors were reminded to watch the Code of Conduct training and confirm when completed to the Clerk.

**25/142 Clerk's Report**

- Nothing to report

**25/143 Correspondence for information (Circulated to all)**

- Understanding Cornish Places - Expiry 19/11/25
- CALC training update: Finance training sessions
- Cornwall Community Flood Forum Annual Conference 7th November
- Planning News for Local Councils and Agents - Autumn 2025 now published
- National Highways: Saltash Tunnel update
- South East Cornwall Community Area Partnership Meeting - Action Notes
- Draft Minutes of The Safe 38 Meeting 15th October
- Property Vacancy, Shortacross View, Widegates
- Liskeard CSW Group - Widegates - Tuesday 7 October 2025
- CIL Neighbourhood Parish Payments - October 2025
- South East Cornwall CAP meeting - Highways Manager presentation
- CALC: Invitation to join the calc executive board
- Town and Parish Council Newsletter: 10 October 2025
- The Cornwall Local Plan: Planning to 2050 - drop in sessions
- Affordable Housing Newsletter September
- CALC NEWS BULLETIN 24/09/2025
- Closure Order - A387 Between Bake Lane And The A374, Trerulefoot
- Cornwall Council Let's Talk Taxis

**25/144 Time, Date and Venue of next Parish Council Meeting**

7.00pm on Wednesday 3.12.25 in Widegates Village Hall