Minutes of Morval Parish Council Meeting held at Widegates Village Hall on Monday 16 November 2026

Present: Councillors T Patterson, (Chair), S Hutchins, D Kirkland, J Kitson, S Murdoch, C Pearn, B Pengelly, Parish Clerk, 1 member of the public, Councillor M Gibbons (CC)

26/129 Apologies for Absence
Councillors G Tamblyn, R Liddle

26/130 Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda
None

26/131 Open Forum/Public Participation

Councillor Gibbons gave a summary of concerns regarding planning application PA26/06410 commenting on the lack of qualification in certain areas eg water supply and sewage. He had been in touch with the Planning Officer and would be following up on these areas.

An update on the HomeChoice local fairness protocol motion which advocates for a fairer, more transparent social housing allocation scheme across Cornwall's choice-based lettings platform. Following the approval of the motion, the proposals have been handed over to Cornwall Council's Cabinet portfolio holder for housing and the corporate team. The framework is being integrated into the preparatory work for Cornwall Council's scheduled annual review of the Homechoice Allocations Scheme, which is set to take place in March 2027.

Objections have been raised on the Kimlers Way planning application for the erection of a convenience store, associated parking and landscaping. Westcountry Land & Homes is running a public consultation on the 18 November before filing a planning application for a new Tesco supermarket and 90 affordable homes on land east of Barbican Road in East Looe. Feedback to the developer is open until Monday, November 30, 2026.

I am continuing to help secure the future of the Looe Family Hub Centre. The skate park project has been awarded £100k from the CIL fund.

26/132 Minutes of the meeting held on the 19.10.26
It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 19.10.26 which were confirmed as a true and correct record.

26/133 Planning

Applications

- PA26/06410 Land South Of Harding Meadow Widegates Outline application with all matters reserved except access, for the construction of up to 52 dwellings, public open space and associated infrastructure - It was agreed to defer comments until the next meeting

- PA26/06457 Colvase Barton Widegates Construction of a replacement dwelling with associated parking and landscaping following Prior Approval PA25/03432 – No objections

- PA26/07459 Bindown And No Mans Land Stores 21 Bindown Court No Mans Land Prior approval for change of use of ground floor from retail to dwelling house - No objections

26/134 South East Cornwall Community Highway Improvement Programme
Deferred until the next meeting. Councillor Gibbons offered to follow this up with CC.

26/135 Emergency Planning
The emergency plan is in the final stages of completion. Councillor Murdoch has been waiting for a response from Cornwall Council and agreed to copy Councillor Gibbons into the email.

26/136 Precept/Budget proposals
Following a review of the budget for 2027/2028, the Parish Council considered the anticipated expenditure, income, ongoing commitments and the need to maintain adequate reserves. Having carefully considered the financial requirements of the Council and the impact on local taxpayers, it was agreed to increase the parish precept by 3.6% to £26587.49. This increase is considered necessary to help meet rising costs while ensuring the Council can continue to provide and maintain services and facilities for the benefit of the parish and its residents.

Councillor Kitson is awaiting a quotation for replacement Soldier Silhouettes. It was agreed that an application for some funding would be submitted through Councillor Gibbons to the Cornwall Council Community Chest.

26/137 CAP representative
Councillor Patterson offered to attend the CAP meetings if Councillor Jackson was unavailable.

26/138 Play equipment inspections
It was agreed to ask Councillor Liddle if he would undertake the play equipment inspections and Councillor Murdoch offered to be the back up.

26/139 Finance
- It was resolved to approve the latest Financial Statements and payments of £1725.06

26/140 Correspondence for action
- Play park football netting – Councillor Liddle investigating
- Request to use Village Green for Christmas light switch on 5.12.26 - Approved

26/141 Clerk's Report
- None

26/142 Correspondence for information (Circulated to all)
- Anna Gelderd MP's Weekly Update
- Minutes for East Sub-Area Planning Committee, Monday, 26th October, 2026, 10.00 am
- Closure Intention - Morview Road, Widegates 15/16 December
- Town and Parish Council Newsletter: 6 November 2026
- CALC Training & Development Bulletin | November 2026 to January 2027
- CC Budget analysis and response
- Planning News for Local Councils and Agents - Autumn 2026 now published
- Closure Intention - Junction East of Coombe Farm, Widegates 10-11 December
- Closure Intention - Road From The B3252 At Cleesewood, St Martin 11-14 Decmeber
- CALC: Winter Preparedness & Community Resilience Briefing by Cornwall Council on Wednesday 18 November 2026 at 11am
- CALC: Information sharing and requests 21/10/26
- Minutes of The Safe 38 Meeting 21st October
- CALC: News 19/10/26
- Have your say on proposed changes to Council Tax Support
- Invitation: Wales & West Utilities Social Commitments
- Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy consultation
- Agenda for East Sub-Area Planning Committee, Monday, 26th October, 2026, 10.00 am

26/143 Time, Date and Venue of next Parish Council Meeting
- Monday 14 December 2026 7.00pm in Widegates Village Hall