

WENDRON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Wendron Parish Council held on Monday 12th May 2025 at 7:10p.m

Present: Cllr R. Durkin (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs K Hampton
Cllr P Thorne
Cllr Mrs S Benney
Cllr T Corpes
Cllr S Dooley
Cllr Mrs B Borman (from point noted)
Mrs J Richards (Clerk)

Also present: CCllr Loveday Jenkin and one member of the public

1 Election of Chair of the Parish Council.

Cllr Mrs K Hampton nominated Cllr R Durkin, who accepted the nomination. The nomination was seconded by Cllr Mrs S Benney.

There being no further nominations, Members voted on Cllr R Durkin's nomination.

RESOLVED that Cllr R Durkin be elected Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year.

Proposed by Cllr Mrs K Hampton seconded by Cllr Mrs S Benney and carried unanimously.

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2. Chair's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Cllr R Durkin duly read out and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman and chaired the remainder of the meeting.

3. To Receive Apologies of Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr J Gifford.

4. To receive declarations of Interest:

a) in items on the agenda: - None were declared

b) of gifts (received as a result of being a Members of the Council) of a value greater than £50 - None were received.

5. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14th of April 2025.

RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 14th of April 2025 as a true record of the proceedings.

Proposed by: Cllr P Thorne seconded by Cllr Mrs K Hampton and carried unanimously.

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6. Matters Arising from the Meeting held on the 14th of April 2025, not covered elsewhere on the Agenda.

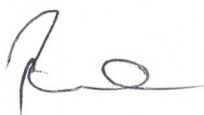
There were no matters arising.

7. Public Participation

The Chairman invited the member of the public present to address the Meeting.

Representations were received in support of PA25/02725. The Chairman thanked the speaker for his comments.

19:15hrs Cllr Mrs B Borman joined the meeting.



8. Cornwall Councillor's Comments

CCllr Loveday Jenkin addressed the Meeting and expressed her delight for being elected as the Councillor for Crowan, Sithney and Wendron Ward once again. She then briefed the Members on the following:

- Cornwall Council was currently in a state of limbo due to the outcome of the recent election, with no clear majority. The leader of the Council was due to be elected on the 20th of May.
- There was a need for a new Local Plan, no timescales had been set yet.
- Bye ways are showing some sign of improvement, however there are still some that are extremely rough.

The Chairman agreed that Agenda Item 20 Planning would be brought forward to this point in the Meeting, but for the purpose of these Minutes, they will be recorded in chronological order.

9. Standing Orders

RESOLVED to adopt the Standing Orders as presented to the meeting.

Proposed by: Cllr Mrs B Borman seconded by Cllr Mrs K Hampton and carried unanimously.

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10. Financial Regulations

RESOLVED to adopt the amended version of the Financial Regulations as presented to the meeting.

Proposed by: Cllr T Corpes seconded by Cllr Mrs K Hampton and carried unanimously.

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11. Risk Assessment

RESOLVED to adopt Wendron Parish Council's Risk Assessment document. As presented to the meeting.

Proposed by Cllr P Thorne seconded by Cllr Mrs B Borman and carried unanimously.

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12. Appointment Of Councillors To Posts Of Responsibility:

RESOLVED to confirm the following appointments to posts of responsibility:

- Bank Signatories: Cllr R Durkin, Cllr Mrs B Borman, Cllr Mrs K Hampton, and the Clerk
- Neighbourhood Plans: All Members.

• Noticeboards

Burras	Cllr J Gifford
Carnkie	Cllr R Durkin
Edgcumbe	Cllr P Thorne
Penmarth	The Clerk
Porkellis	Cllr Mrs K Hampton
Rame Cross	Cllr P Thorne
Trevenen Bal	Cllr S Dooley
Trewennack	Cllr S Dooley
Wendron	Cllr R Durkin

• Defibrillators

Burras	The Clerk
Penmarth	The Clerk
Rame Cross	The Clerk
Trewennack	The Clerk

- Wendron Lawn Cemetery Post to be removed.
- Carnkie-Wendron Village Hall Representation at the AGM Only - Cllr Mrs B Borman
- Helston and South Kerrier Area Community Network Panel Cllr R Durkin
Proposed by Cllr Mrs B Borman seconded by Cllr P Thorne and carried unanimously.
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13. Co-Option of Councillor

There were no applications to consider at this meeting.

14. General Power of Competence

Review criteria to enable the Council to exercise the General Power of Competence

RESOLVED to confirm that the Council satisfies the criteria necessary to exercise the General Power of Competence.

Proposed by Cllr Mrs S Benney seconded by Cllr Mrs K Hampton and carried unanimously.
MINUTE: 07/05/25

15. Appointment of the Internal Auditor for 2025/25.

RESOLVED that Mr James Peter Richards be appointed as the Parish Council's Internal Auditor for the financial year 2025/26.

Proposed by Cllr P Thorne seconded by Cllr Mrs B Borman and carried unanimously.
MINUTE: 08/05/25

16. Confirmation of the Dates for Council Meetings 2025 / 26

Resolved to accept the dates of the Council Meetings for 2025/26, to be held on the 2nd Monday of each Month, except August.

Proposed by Cllr R Durkin seconded by Cllr Mrs B Borman and carried unanimously.
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17. Renewal of Insurance Policy

RESOLVED to confirm the adequacy of the current arrangements for insurance cover in respect of all insured risks and approve the payment of £891.55 to Clear Councils due on renewal by 1st June 2025.

Proposed by Cllr P Thorne seconded by Cllr T Corpes and carried unanimously.
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18. Neighbourhood Development Plan

Cllr R Durkin gave a brief update. It was hoped that as the elections were now over, we can focus on progressing the NDP.

19 Finance

19.1 Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2024/25

RESOLVED:

(a) The Members declared that there were no conflicts of interest with the appointed External Auditor BDO LLP.

(b) To approve the Internal Auditors report as presented to the Meeting.

(c) To respond 'yes' to all questions asked in the Annual Governance Statement for 2024/25.

(d) To approve the Accounting Statement for 2024/25.

Proposed by: Cllr T Corpes seconded by Cllr Mrs S Benney and carried unanimously.

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19.2 **To note the Council's financial position as of 30th April 2025**

The Clerk drew the Members attention to the Financial Reports detailing the financial position as the 30th of April 2025. The information was noted.

19.3. **To authorise the payments due in May 2025.**

RESOLVED that all invoices and regular payments due in May 2025, voucher No's 6 – 14 are authorised for payment via BACS. Cllr R Durkin signed the payment authorisation report.

Proposed by Cllr R Durkin seconded by Cllr P Thorne and carried unanimously.

MINUTE: 12/05/25

20. **Planning**

20.1 **Decisions notified.**

PA25/01714 – APPROVED - Farm View Farm, Carnkie – Demolition of existing conservatory and the erection of a replacement single storey extension.
(Wendron Parish Council Supported)

PA25/00466 – APPROVED - Farm View Farm, Carnkie. Demolition of outbuilding and erection of self-contained annexe as ancillary accommodation to host dwelling (Fairview Farmhouse)
(Wendron Parish Council Supported)

PA25/00686 – REFUSED – Trewavas Farm, Wendron – Proposed agricultural access track.
(Wendron Parish Council Supported)

PA25/01356 – REFUSED – Barn at Trewavas Farm, Wendron – Proposed new dwelling to replace Class Q prior approval (ref: PA24/08720)
(Wendron Parish Council Supported)

20.2 **To note planning decisions received after the publication of the Agenda.**

PA25/01722 – APPROVED – Wheal Dream Public House, Wendron – Proposed use of Claymore House as an unrestricted dwelling.

PA252/01354 – REFUSED – Barn at Trewavas Farm, Wendron – Demolition of existing and barn and erection of proposed new self-build and custom build dwelling and garage to replace Class Q prior approval consent under PA24/08719

20.3 **To make observations on planning applications including the following:**

20.3(a) **PA25/02725 – Calvadnack Farm, Calvadnack** – Conversion and extension of farm buildings to a single dwelling house.

RESOLVED to support this application.

Proposed by Cllr R Durkin seconded by Cllr P Thorne and carried unanimously.

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20.3(b) **PA25/02791 – Environment Agency Flood Warning Station, Trenear, Wendron** – Replacement of an existing Environment Agency flood warning station, to include new recycled plastic lumber compound with telemetry kiosk and solar panel and new slender steel gantry crossing the river to support a new flood warning sensor.

RESOLVED to support this application.

Proposed by Cllr R Durkin seconded by Cllr Mrs B Borman and carried unanimously.

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20.4 **To consider planning applications received after the publication of the Agenda.**
No further planning applications had been received.

21 Clerk's Report.

To consider the Proposed Diversion of Public Footpath 144.

RESOLVED that the Clerk to submit the following comment: "The existing historic footpath follows an existing track leading to Trewavas Farm, the proposed footpath will require the installation of a new pedestrian gate and removal of existing hedgerows. Whilst it diverts the path from the Trewavas Farm, the revised path will follow the perimeter of open farmland / field and closer to neighbouring properties.

Proposed by Cllr R Durkin seconded by Cllr Mrs S Benney and carried unanimously.

MINUTE: 15/05/25

- 21.1 To consider response in relation to Commons Application Ref: 3077 – Boswin Common.
RESOLVED TO Not Support this application. There are concerns regarding the purpose of this application and the benefit, if any, to the Parish of Wendron.
Proposed by Cllr R Durkin seconded by Cllr Mrs B Borman and carried unanimously.
MINUTE: 16/05/25

- 21.2 To consider if any further response is required in relation to Commons Application Ref: 3076, Porkellis Moor.
RESOLVED that no further comment is required.
Proposed by Cllr R Durkin seconded by Cllr Mrs S Benney and carried unanimously.
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22 Chairman's & Councillor's Comments:

The Chairman informed the Members that he had been invited to attend the Annual Reception at RNAS Culdrose, unfortunately he was unable to attend, he asked that if anyone could attend to represent the Parish Council, could they let him know asap.

Cllr P Thorne raised concerns regarding the poor condition of the fencing surrounding Stithians Reservoir, it was agreed that the Clerk was to report this to South West Lakes Trust. He also updated the Members on plans for work around the Rame Bus Shelter

Cllr Thorne also asked that the Parish Council consider working with Stithians Parish Council to highlight issues with drivers using the slip roads leading to 'from the A394, and consider making the 2 roads 'one-way', to remove the current problem of vehicles having to reverse along the slip road. The Clerk to contact Stithians Parish Council to gauge interest.

Cllr Mrs S Benney highlighted the problem of trees overhanging the road from Porkellis to B3297, these were causing serious issues for the double decker buses that use this route. The Clerk to contact Highways Manager.

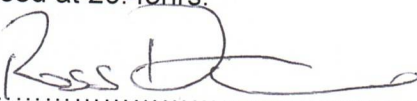
23. Matters for Inclusion at the next Meeting.

Ruby Terrace Play Park

24. Confirmation of date and time of next Meeting

Confirmed that next Meeting of the Council would be held on Monday 9th June at 7.30p.m. The meeting to be held at Penmarth Methodist Sunday School.

Meeting closed at 20:45hrs.

Signed:  Chairman

Date: 

