

St Mabyn Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of St Mabyn Parish Council held in St Mabyn Peace Memorial Hall, St Mabyn, on Tuesday 4th November 2025 commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs: G Smith, Chairman, R Martin, Vice Chairman, R Chadwick, R Ashton, N Campbell, Mrs C Bray and G Martin.

In Attendance: Mrs L Coles, Parish Clerk, Cllr R Moorcroft, Cornwall Councillor

There were 5 members of the public present.

Item No		Action By
1	Apologies. Apologies received from Cllr M Slater and Cllr P Sandy.	
2	Declarations of Interest. a) Agenda Items. None declared. b) Gifts. None declared.	
3	Consideration of written requests for dispensation. None received.	
4	Unitary Councillor's Report. Deferred until later in the meeting.	
5	Helland Barton Wind Farm. Walter Wonnacott and Mark Quinn attended the meeting and gave details of the proposed Wind Farm. The planning application is being prepared for seven wind turbines at Helland Barton, which will be approximately 100m high to the tip and comparable to those at Delabole. Bat and bird surveys have been taking place over the last two years and a Landscape and Visual Assessment is being finalised. Public meetings have been held at Helland and WW and MQ are happy to attend a further St Mabyn PC meeting once the planning application has been validated and is out for consultation. Grid capacity will be allocated once planning permission is received, which could be in a year's time with complete installation taking up to three years. A Q&A session took place and Mark and Walter answered questions from the public and councillors.	
4	Unitary Councillor's Report. Councillor Moorcroft had nothing to report.	
6	Public Participation. Nothing brought forward.	
7	Response to Public Participation. Not applicable	
8	Chapelfield. No updates.	
9	South West Water. There has been no decision to date on the planning application.	
10	Planning a) Planning applications received before the agenda was finalised: None b) Planning applications received after the agenda was published: None c) Planning decisions received from Cornwall Council: None d) Cornwall Council Housing Representative and S106 money. No update but the Chairman will contact St Endellion Land Trust. e) Other planning matters. Neighbourhood Priority Statement. The Clerk has received confirmation of the expression of interest from Cornwall Council. f) Cllr Chadwick asked about the gate that has been opened up at the slaughterhouse field; it was reported that this is to enable livestock to be moved safely and planning permission was not necessary.	

11	Minutes from the meeting held on Tuesday 7th October 2025. It was RESOLVED that the above Minutes are a true record of the meeting, proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Bray with all who had been present at the meeting in favour.	
12	Matters Arising from the above Minutes. None	
13	Village Hall. The Clerk reported that the Meeting Room is almost complete and is waiting for Cornwall Council to sign it off.	
14	Longstone. Nothing to report.	
15	King George V Playing Field. a) There is no update on the quotes for the new play equipment; Cllr Ashton will meet with the volunteers to discuss. b) The Clerk has received the Tree survey from Jason Bellenger and will email a copy to the Members for discussion at the next meeting.	RA Clerk
16	Cemetery. a) Memorial Bench. The Clerk has got quotes for the new bench and it was RESOLVED to purchase the Shenstone recycled material bench from Broxap at a cost of £535 plus VAT (includes fixings). Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Chadwick with all in favour. b) Disabled Access. The Clerk is still waiting to hear back from the Diocese.	Clerk Clerk
17	Footpaths. The Probation Service is cutting the footpaths. The Clerk will contact Tim Pitt to ask exactly what work has been done. The bridle path from Little Tresquite to Polglaze needs a hedge trimmer on it. The Clerk will look into. The map of the footpaths will be put on the website.	Clerk Clerk Clerk
18	Highway Matters. The EOI for works at the junction by St Mabyn Inn and Wadebridge Road needs to be resubmitted now that the Community Network Area has become the CAP. The Clerk will report the potholes at the Chapelfield entrance in St Tudy Road. It was reported that the VAS at Longstone has been repaired.	Clerk Clerk
19	Car Parks and Toilets. Mark Andrews will supply scalplings for the potholes in the new car park.	
20	Correspondence a) Police Report. Noted	
21	Finance a) Payments. It was RESOLVED to make the payments for October 2025 proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Bray with all in favour of the following: Online – L Coles, Clerk's salary, office and expenses for October Online – HMRC, Clerk's October PAYE and Employer NIC Online - WesternWeb, renewal of .gov.uk domain - £66.00 Online – Jason Bellenger, Tree Survey - £350.00 Online – St Mabyn Village Hall, Hire of hall - £20.00 Online – St Mabyn Village Hall, Toilet cleaning - £406.00 Direct Debit – Monthly account charge, Unity Trust Bank - £6.00 b) RECEIPTS – None c) Bank Reconciliation (Circulated to Members). It was RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliations October 2025 proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Bray with all in favour.	

	d) Laptop. The Clerk reported that she cannot use the PC laptop for some of its functions; it is old and no longer compatible with some of the newer programmes. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk may purchase a new laptop from Amazon at a cost of £465.00, proposed by Cllr R Martin, seconded by Cllr Smith with all in favour. WesternWeb will be asked to transfer files from the old laptop and set up. e) Budget and Precept. The Clerk had circulated the papers at the October meeting. There was some discussion about the budget and it was RESOLVED to set the Precept at £49,000, an increase of 3.7%, proposed by Cllr G Martin, seconded by Cllr Smith with all in favour. There was some discussion about the remaining budget headings for this financial year 2025/26 and it was RESOLVED that the Council will purchase two new Evolis Vision Flashing Speed Signs from ElanCity at a cost of £4,499 + VAT and shipping, as per the special offer extended. Proposed by Cllr G Martin, seconded by Cllr Bray with all in favour.	Clerk Clerk Clerk
22	Any Other Business. Cllr Bray will lay the Wreath on Remembrance Sunday. Cllr Bray asked about EV charging points in the car park and was asked to contact the person who is offering this service and ask for a Business Plan to be submitted to the Council for consideration. It was pointed out that the land on which the Car park is situated is leased by the Parish Council and hard standing is not permissible nor is changing the layout without further planning permissions and permission from the Landlord. As a condition of the existing Lease the Council would have to reinstate the agricultural/ grazing land should the lease become non renewable. Permission would also be required for power cables to be laid. The Clerk now has a Crime Reference number for the vandalism to the trees in the Playing Field and the Neighbourhood Police will keep a watch for further vandalism. The number is 50250259994 and should anyone have any information on the perpetrator/s this can be passed on to the Police using this reference.	CB
23	Items for the next agenda. • Under item for Car Parks – EV Charging units.	
23	Date of next meeting. The next meeting of St Mabyn Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 2nd December 2025 commencing at 7.30pm, in the Peace Memorial Hall, St Mabyn.	

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting closed at 9.04pm.

Signed.....Chairman. Date.....

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