



## **PENTEWAN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting of Pentewan Valley Parish Council held at Pentewan Village Hall, Glentowan Road, Pentewan. PL26 6DB on Wednesday 19 November 2025 at 7pm.**

**Present:** Cllrs Mike Ward, Jake Bonetta, Richard Strawford, Andy Cleverdon and George Muskett.

**In attendance:** Cllr James Mustoe, and Anne Barnes (Clerk).

### **FPC25/128 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Toni Dowrick, Miles Avery, Steve Street. and Julie Cunningham.

### **FPC25/129 Minutes of a Meeting of Pentewan Valley Parish Council**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council held 15 October 2025, be signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

### **FPC25/130 Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda**

Cllr Strawford declared an interest in agenda item 17d Pentewan Car Park. Cllr Strawford had been granted a dispensation by the Parish Council to speak and vote on matters relating to the car park.

### **FPC25/131 Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman had no announcements to make.

### **FPC25/132 Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present.

### **FPC25/133 Cornwall Councillors Report**

Cllr Mustoe's report had been circulated and he advised that ,he had met with the Contractor regarding the are temporary traffic lights and restrictions on Mount Charles Road in Charlestown due to essential gas network upgrades it had been agreed that addition traffic management would be provided to reduce the congestion in the area report had been circulated.

### **FPC25/134 Clerks Report**

It was noted that the Clerk gave an update on matters progressed since the last meeting including placement of a new litter bin on the Pentewan Trail.

### **FPC25/135 Crime and Disorder**

Cllr Ward gave an update on the proposed changes of the role of the Devon and

Cornwall Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) recently scheduled to be abolished by the government in 2028. Crime data for Grampound & Mevagissey was discussed.

### **FPC25/136 Finance, Policy & HR Committee Meeting**

Cllr Bonetta gave an overview of the minutes of the Finance, Policy and HR committee meetings and the recommendations within.

### **FPC25/137 Planning and Related Matters.**

- (a) PA25/06548 A mixed-use development comprising the erection of 78 homes (Class C3), erection of 696 sqm (net usable GIA) of flexible (Class E) commercial units, means of access, open space, maintenance shed, and associated works. Land At Former Council Offices Site Penwinnick Road St Austell Cornwall.  
It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would advise Pentewan Valley Parish Council have no objections to this application but would like to add a condition that a provision for a multi-use trail for cycle use connecting to the Wain Homes development (Adjacent to Plot 33 and path AB1) at Higher Trewhiddle.
- (b) PA25/08408 Works to Trees within a Conservation Area (TCA) - T1 - Leylandii - Reduce height to match Leylandii on lower side. T2 - Spruce - Remove. At 3 The Terrace Pentewan St Austell Cornwall PL26 6DE. It was noted
- (c) PA25/00889/PREAPP – Gewan’s Farm, St Austell. An Invitation to a Q&A session hosted by Persimmon Homes, On 25 November 2025 from 12:30pm regarding outline permission for residential-led development, including preparatory works as necessary; up to 350 residential units (Use Class C3); green infrastructure, walking and cycling routes, formal and informal public open space including trim trails, outdoor play space, drainage, and associated infrastructure, including utilities and highway works. All matters to be reserved, except for detailed vehicular access points to Tregorrick Road and other associated highways works.

### **FPC25/138 Neighbourhood Development Plan**

The clerk gave an update on the NDP meeting, the minutes had been circulated.

### **FPC25/139 Climate, Ecology & Environment Advisory Group.**

Cllr Muskett gave an update of the last meeting and the White River Project meeting held on 6 November 2025; the notes had been circulated.

Cllr Ward advised of a tree planting event being held at Penrice House on 20 November 2025

### **FPC25/140 Enhanced LMP Grant funding for 2025-2026**

Cllr Bonetta had met with stakeholders and was gathering information for the bid submission to be approved by the Council before the deadline of 31 March 2026.

### **FPC25/141 CCT Funding**

Cllr Strawford advised that CCTV for the West End car park would not meet the criteria for funding being offered by Devon and Cornwall Police at the present time.

**PC25/142 EV Charging in West End Car Park**

(a) Clerk gave an update on the installation of the EV charging units.  
(b) It was **RESOLVED** to agree a contract with Dowricks to manage and operate the newly installed electric vehicle charger in the village via the Monta operating system. It was **RESOLVED** that the clerk be given Delegated Authority to set the charges for the EV charger based on the agreed formula.

**FPC25/143 Community Highways Improvement Programme**

North Road Parking it was suggested that the local Cllrs discuss the issues with the residents of Pentewan Village. The Council would support the placement of a bus stop on Truro Road for Higher Trehiddle Residents from St Austell Town Council.

**FPC25/144 Riverbanks**

Cllr Strawford advised that debris from the fallen trees was still in the river trapped by the bridge in Pentewan.

**FPC25/145 Menagwins Car Park**

There were no concerns.

**FPC25/146 Highways Matters**

Road closure notice at Gallopine Lane St Austell from 29 January 2026. A section of the cycle path was overgrown from Sawles Road. Th clerk was requested to report to Highways.

**FPC25/147 Pentewan Car Park**

It was **RESOLVED** to continue the contract with Cornwall Council to deliver the cleansing services at the car park.

Cllr Ward suggested that the lines in the car park needed refreshing. The clerk to get quotes.

**FPC25/148 Pentewan Toilets**

There were no concerns.

**FPC25/149 Pentewan Square**

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quote from A & A Services to have the benches repaired using composite wood in light oak colour.

## FPC25/150 Financial Matters

- a) The increased energy prices were noted.
- b) The draft budget was considered, and it was **RESOLVED** to set a budget of £60,477.46
- c) it was **RESOLVED** to submit a precept demand of £14362.48, which represents an increase for a band D property of £7.52 for the year
- d) The current financial position was noted and the following payments were Authorised.

Invoice/Payment Date	Transaction Cheque No.	Payee	Reference Number	Supply/ Service	Code/ Centre	Total Payment	VAT Paid	Net Paid
01/11/2025 DD		Cornwall Council	802529493	Business Rates- Menagwins Car Park	4400/350	52.00	-	52.00
25/10/2025 DD		BT Group	M081M2	Pentewan Car Park Broadband	4510/300	53.68	8.95	44.73
05/11/2025 DD		Access Paysuite	395310	Parking Transactions	4500/300	191.40	31.90	159.50
10/11/2025 DD		Access Paysuite	395726	Parking Transactions (VAT Exempt)	4500/300	20.84	-	20.84
04/11/2025 DD		Corona Energy	3223568	Toilets Electricity	4405/250	36.47	1.74	34.73
04/11/2025 DD		Corona Energy	3223569	Pentewan Car Park Electricity	4405/300	38.16	1.82	36.34
31/10/2025 DD		Unity Trust	116	Bank Charges	4115/220	6.00	-	6.00
05/11/2025 DD		Hugo Fox	20040	Domain Emails	4140/220	20.99	3.50	17.49
22/10/2025 DD		HMRC	169028606	PAYE Payment	4000/200	387.20	-	387.20
30/11/2025 BACS		Staff Costs	Salaries, Oct 25	Staff Salaries	4000/200	890.97	-	890.97
10/11/2025 BACS		Cornwall Council	8100628539	Car Park CEO Oct 25	4505/300	150.75	-	150.75
05/10/2025 BACS		Cornwall ALC Ltd	2526-555	COF training MA	4060/200	30.00	5.00	25.00
27/10/2025 BACS		Dowrick Electrical	11266	EV Charger	4310/240	6,757.38	1,126.23	5,631.15
23/10/2025 BACS		Dowrick Electrical	11265	External Ecldtric supply	4325/240	421.11	70.18	350.93
31/10/2025 BACS		PVH Trust	007	Room Bookings	4600/240	110.00	-	110.00
16/10/2025 BACS		South West Water	60918105.75	Water charges Toilets	4410/250	204.33	-	204.33
30/10/2025 BACS		Complete Weed Control	SW4027	Weed Treatment	4315/240	372.00	62.00	310.00
11/11/2025 BACS		Poppy Appeal	No38	Poppy Wreaths	4325/240	40.00	-	40.00
02/11/2025 BACS		A& A Garden Services	4028	SWCP &LMP	4315/240	2,226.00	-	2,226.00
21/10/2025 BACS		Anne Barnes/Microsoft	555175	Microsoft 365 subscription	4140/220	84.99	14.16	70.83
17/11/2025 BACS		APS Construction Services	3980	Toilets Cleaning Contract	4415/220	2,775.00	462.50	2,312.50
						14,869.27	1,787.98	13,081.29

Copies of the month end accounts had been sent to all Cllr for review.

## FPC25/151 Correspondence Received

The council asked the Clerk to advise the highways department that there were no objection to the hedge maintenance in London Apprentice.

The clerk would send details of Neighbourhood watch scheme would be passed to local groups.

## FPC25/152 Meetings/Training Attended

Cllrs Ward and Bonetta attended events for Remembrance 9 and 11 November. Cllrs Ward, Street and Muskett attended the event at the Innovation Centre on 14/11. Cllrs Musket attended the White River Project on 6/11; Cllr Bonetta attended the CAP meeting on 22/10 Meva festival 14/11 and Higher Trewhiddle Resident Association 6/11 the clerk attended Assertion 10 briefing 18/11.

## FPC25/153 Dates for the Diary

Date	Meeting	Location
22 October	CAP	TBA
22 October	Local Plan Meeting	Quaker Centre St Austell
6 November	White River Project	TBA
14 November	Innovation Nursery	Watering Lane St Austell

### **FPC25/154 Dates of Future Meetings**

Dates of the forthcoming Parish Council Meetings which will be held from 7pm at the Pentewan Village Hall, Glentowan Road Pentewan PL26 6DB. Unless otherwise stated: 10 December 2025, 15 January 2026, 19 February 2026, 19 March 2026.

### **FPC25/155 Exclusion of the Public and Press**

It was **RESOLVED** that Under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, it is proposed that because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for agenda item 23.

### **FPC25/156 Staffing Matter**

It was **RESOLVED** that the clerks hours be increased from 40 hours per month to 48 per month from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2026.

**The Meeting Closed at 20:39pm**

**Signed Chairman .....**

**Date .....**