

SENNEN PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Cllr Alice Burt

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Minutes of the full council meeting of Sennen parish council at Sennen Churchtown Hall held on Wednesday 11th February 2026 at 7.00 pm.

Present: Cllr A Burt (chairman), Cllr K Hann, Cllr K Shannon, Cllr G Patterson-Beedle, Cllr A Collins, Cllr J George and Cllr J Nicholas.

Clerk Jodie Ellis, Cornwall Cllr B Clemens and no members of the public.

1. **Apologies for absence** – were received from Cllr Puddiphatt.
2. **Acceptance of minutes** – The Minutes of the ordinary council meeting held on the 14th January 2026 were unanimously agreed and signed by the chairman.
3. **Declarations of interest for items on this agenda** – Cllr Shannon in item 10 Sennen Beach Toilets and planning item 9 PA25/09554. Cllr Burt in item 9 planning PA25/07453 and item 10 Sennen Beach toilets. Cllr Nicholas in planning PA25/07453
4. **To consider any applications for dispensations under section 33 of the localism act 2011** – none received.
5. **Public participation** – none.
6. **Chairman's comments** – Cllr Burt wished to send the parish council's condolences to the Puddiphatt family following the loss of Peter. Peter was a parish councillor and chairman for many years, and we send our thoughts to his wife Val, his sons Richard and Paul, and the family.
The community centre are in the process of applying for further grants for their gym fund. They wanted the parish council to know as Trustees that they are applying for the Duke of Cornwall charitable fund for £10,000 as we would not also be able to apply for the same fund as Trustees. Cllr Burt confirmed we are not applying to this fund.
7. **Councillors' questions and comments** - 24-hour notice in accordance with Standing Orders advisable –
It was noted the community centre is suffering from anti-social behaviour.
8. **Cornwall councillor's comments** – Cllr. Brian Clemens gave the following report: 'Funding opportunities are few and far between now so if you are looking to take on any projects the CILL funding is open and many Councils have already applied, I feel this will be oversubscribed this year so be quick.
I know that the fields behind the pub are still causing concern and having received yet more evidence of the mess left behind I have after speaking with the enforcement officer escalated the case with environmental health as the enforcement do not have the capacity to carry out the clean-up work.
The next CAP meeting theme will be emergency plans following the recent storms it is a good time to refresh them, and it may encourage those councils that don't have one to consider their position.
Planning is about to be in spotlight following the new NPFP document and as, yet we are still uncertain how the changes will affect us.
We recently had a training session on enforcement run by the chief Appeal Inspector for England at New County Hall, it was certainly an eye opener for those of us who have been involved in planning for a while to understand how recent changes have impacted local Authorities'. Cllr Clemens had offered the community centre £175 from his community chest but no application has been received, and the closing date is the 13.02.26. Go Cornwall will start the bus contract on the 15.02.26 and have changed some routes to make the service viable to the company.
9. **Planning:**
Cllr Shannon left.
PA25/09554 - Lantern Cottage 1 Mayon Cottages Sennen Penzance - Replace existing conservatory with orangery to the rear of the property. It was RESOLVED to support the application.
Cllr Shannon returned.
Cllr Burt and Cllr Nicholas left the meeting.
PA25/07453 - Land East of Escalls Farmhouse Escalls Cliff Sennen Penzance - Removal of existing agricultural barn. Construction of replacement agricultural barn. It was RESOLVED to support the application.
Cllr Burt and Cllr Nicholas returned.
PA25/09629 - Clidga Cottage Sunny Corner Lane Sennen Penzance - Installation of 20no. ground mounted photovoltaic panels and a new retaining wall within the garden of the dwelling. It was RESOLVED to support the application.
Cllr Shannon and Burt left.
10. **Amenities Sennen Beach Toilets** – Cllrs discussed the current situation update from our solicitor and it was agreed we would move forward with a meeting with our solicitor and the business and their solicitor. It was agreed that Cllr A Collins would attend the meeting along with either Cllr Hann or Puddiphatt depending on availability. As the closing date for the CIL EOI is the end of February it was agreed the clerk would submit an EOI for the maximum £100,000.
Cllr Shannon and Burt returned.
11. **Cemetery** – no issues have been reported and Long rock Memorials have carried out the works identified.
12. **Clerks Report** - Bench and planters at Mayon Green – the work that has been carried out was discussed and Cllrs expressed their thanks, but noted any work carried out by parishioners needs to be authorised and agreed by full council first. The invoice for materials will be paid at march's meeting totalling £270.00.

13. Payments - It was RESOLVED that the following payments be authorised.

HMRC – month 10 PAYE	£264.47
Jodie Ellis – Clerk Salary	£979.37
Source for Business – Toilet water (04.12.25-08.01.26)	£7.06
Long Rock Memorials – work to headstones to make safe	£600.00
Southwest Loos – Portaloo booking summer 2026 – deposit	£882.00
ICT Connect Monthly Charge	£12.00
Total	£2744.90

14. Financial report of the clerk – It was RESOLVED to approve the budget monitoring statement as of 30.01.26.**15. Items for next month's agenda** – none.**16. Time and date of the next meeting** – Wednesday 11th March 2026 at 7.00pm for the ordinary parish council meeting at Sennen Churchtown Hall.**17. Exclusion of the Press & Public** – It was RESOLVED that in accordance with S.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Press & Public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following business due to its confidential nature.**18. LMP Contract 2026/2027** – Cllrs discussed and reviewed tenders for the following contracts.

1. Grass cutting contract 2026/2027 - It was RESOLVED to award the contract to T P Preddy.
2. LMP contract 2026/2027 - It was RESOLVED to award the contract to M Lowe and R Jackson.