

## South Hill Parish Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of South Hill Parish Council held in the Parish Hall, Golberdon on Tuesday, 20<sup>TH</sup> January 2026 at 7.30pm.**

Item No.		Action by
1	<p><b>Councillors present</b> – A Budd (Chairman), G Hardman (Vice Chairman), D Hicks, Mrs H Curtis, P Tunnicliffe, J Gale (Parish and Cornwall Council), P Hartley, R Squires.</p> <p><b>Also attending</b> – Mrs J Hoskin (Parish Clerk) Ten members of the public</p>	
2	<p><b>Public Session (meeting then closes to the public).</b> The Chairman opened the meeting and invited the members of the public to address the council, if they so wished. Residents of Maders spoke about recent flooding and asked when the Parish Council were going to address the issue of the water run-off from their field down a lane to the main road. Councillors explained they were looking at options and wanted the work to ensure that by renewing a drainage pipe this did not make the water run off faster and create a larger problem. A meeting had been held with Cormac.</p> <p>Councillors appreciated the frustration of residents in the length of time this was taking to resolve.</p> <p>Cllr Gale reiterated the Council's comments and he was in communication with a Cormac officer to find a resolution to their work that needed to be done.</p> <p>There was also the fact that the higher field belonged to another landowner and the bridleway was unadopted.</p> <p>Residents of Bray Shop spoke about planning application PA25/08553 on tonight's agenda and expressed their views on the site in general, and the proposals.</p> <p>Other matters highlighted the drainage at Golberdon that was unable to take the amount of surface water. Problems may be exacerbated by adjacent land currently being arable and not in long term grass that may have taken some of the natural drainage on the land.</p> <p>The request by SHARE to place a shed on the Community Orchard land was explained.</p> <p>The Council were asked by the Working Party to become involved in the Affordable Housing scheme and to apply for funding for a feasibility study.</p> <p>The public session closed at 8.40pm. Two members of the public remained for the remainder of the meeting.</p>	
3	<p><b>Apologies for absence.</b> None.</p>	
4	<p><b>Members Declarations of Interest. Councillors to register any declarations of interest. To advise of any dispensation to be granted in line with the Code of</b></p>	

	<p><b>Conduct.</b> Cllr Hardman declared an interest in the request by SHARE for a shed on the Community Orchard Site (to be discussed under Item 13 of this meeting).</p> <p>Cllr Gale declared an interest in any planning matters (agenda item 8) being the local Cornwall Council ward member and sitting on the CC East Planning Committee.</p>	
5	<p><b>Cornwall Council – report from Cllr J Gale</b> spoke about the Full Council meeting held earlier today. One of the main motions was the proposed changes in rates for businesses that would have a huge impact on pubs and hospitality venues. The council also supported a motion to government, put forward by Reform, not to accept the removal of trial by jury.</p> <p>A dentistry college was to be established in Cornwall.</p> <p>Cllr Gale spoke about the financial cuts that needed to be made over the next few years.</p> <p>A consultation was currently being held in relation to the administration costs for the Tamar Bridge tags that were recommended to go up from 80p to £2.00 per month. In future tags would no longer be posted but made available for collection from the Bridge office. Heritage funding for the visitor centre was to stop. A request had been made to scrutinize costs of the Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry.</p> <p>The housing crisis was an ongoing problem.</p> <p>Cllr Gale spoke about the planning process, appeals and procedures.</p> <p>The current consultation on the review of parking charges highlighted the introduction of payment machines at many small car parks and venues including Kit Hill. This site was under debate given the land was gifted by the monarchy.</p> <p>The fifth round of CIL funding was now open for applications, along with the Community Network Highway Scheme.</p>	
6	<p><b>Minutes – to approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> November 2025.</b> It was agreed paragraph 14 of the Minutes of the Meetings held on the 18<sup>th</sup> November be amended and they be held over until the next meeting for approval.</p>	
7	<p><b>Matters Arising except matters listed below.</b> None</p>	
8	<p><b>Planning Applications / Planning Matters to include applications received between the publication of the agenda and the meeting.</b></p> <p><b>PA25/07938 Trenance, South Hill – Proposed single storey front porch, garage conversion and detached car port.</b> No objection, proposed by Cllr Hicks, seconded by Cllr Hardman and unanimously agreed.</p> <p><b>PA25/08553 Land North East of Blacksmiths, Trefinnick Road, Bray Shop – Outline application for the construction of 2 dwellings and associated works (all matters reserved).</b> The parish council had no objection in principle to building on this site, but did have reservations about the plot size and number of properties. There is concern about the safety of the access bearing in mind the scale of the development and likely vehicular movements. The design is not in-keeping with surrounding properties. Proposed by Cllr Hardman, seconded by Cllr Tunnicliffe and unanimously agreed.</p>	

9	<p><b>Accounts / Financial matters – to approve the payment of accounts circulated by the Clerk.</b> It was proposed by Cllr Hardman, seconded by Cllr Squires and unanimously agreed the accounts be paid.</p> <table><tr><td>J Hoskin – Clerks payment / expenses and HMRC /sign for allotment gate £25.55</td><td>£ 605.67</td><td></td><td>£ 605.67</td></tr><tr><td>Cornwall Assoc Local Council – Chairing meetings training Cllr Budd October 2025</td><td>£ 35.00</td><td>£ 7.00</td><td>£ 42.00</td></tr><tr><td>South Hill Parish Hall – room hire Nov 25</td><td>£ 15.00</td><td></td><td>£ 15.00</td></tr><tr><td>Bank charges for PC account Oct/ Nov 25</td><td>£ 4.25</td><td></td><td>£ 4.25</td></tr><tr><td>Bank charges Solar account Oct/Nov 2025</td><td>£ 4.25</td><td></td><td>£ 4.25</td></tr><tr><td>Bank charges PC account Nov/Dec 2025</td><td>£ 4.25</td><td></td><td>£ 4.25</td></tr><tr><td>Bank charges olar account Nov / Dec 2025</td><td>£ 4.25</td><td></td><td>£ 4.25</td></tr></table> <p><b>To agree and record the precoat for the 2026/2027 financial year.</b> Having looked at the current years figures and the budget for the forthcoming year it was agreed to request a precept of £12,000 for 2026/2027. Proposed by Cllr Hardman, seconded by Cllr Tunnicliffe and unanimously agreed.</p>	J Hoskin – Clerks payment / expenses and HMRC /sign for allotment gate £25.55	£ 605.67		£ 605.67	Cornwall Assoc Local Council – Chairing meetings training Cllr Budd October 2025	£ 35.00	£ 7.00	£ 42.00	South Hill Parish Hall – room hire Nov 25	£ 15.00		£ 15.00	Bank charges for PC account Oct/ Nov 25	£ 4.25		£ 4.25	Bank charges Solar account Oct/Nov 2025	£ 4.25		£ 4.25	Bank charges PC account Nov/Dec 2025	£ 4.25		£ 4.25	Bank charges olar account Nov / Dec 2025	£ 4.25		£ 4.25	Clerk
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10	<p><b>Play Area – to receive recent inspection reports and address any matters identified.</b> The Chairman was due to carry out the inspection of the play area.</p>	AB																												
11	<p><b>Recreation Field – to report any matters requiring attention. Options for a temporary building at the top of the field to provide changing facilities.</b> No issues identified. It was agreed to submit an expression of interest for the CIL money available from Cornwall Council for the provision of a pavilion type building and parking at the top of the field. The wildflower area at the top of the field had been trimmed. SHARE will invoice the parish council for this work. Cllr Hardman was thanked for carrying out this work. Cllr Hardman declared and interest.</p>																													
12	<p><b>Footpaths – update on trimming and work required.</b> Cllr Tunnicliffe reported the obstruction to the path at Woodlands had not been removed. Cornwall Council had limited funding and were currently only dealing with emergency work on public rights of way. Cllr Tunnicliffe would investigate the cost of a sign and post.</p>	PT																												
13	<p><b>Allotments – update and identify any work required.</b> Having considered the options for reinstating the gateway at the allotments, it was proposed by Cllr Curtis seconded by Cllr Squires that Option 1 be accepted. This was unanimously agreed. Cllr Curtis reported plot number 15 had now been cleared and a new tenant had been issued with a tenancy agreement. The outside and top of the boundary hedge to be trimmed. Cllr Hartley offered to assist Cllr Curtus with overseeing the allotments. The council supported the request by SHARE to place a shed on the community orchard site.</p>	AB  DH PH/HC																												

<b>14</b>	<b>Drainage work required at the Maders field. To appoint a contractor for the work.</b> Discussed under Item 2 of this meeting. It was agreed to hold another site meeting with a contractor.	Clerk
<b>15</b>	<b>Proposal to improve road pedestrian, cyclist and rider visibility – update from Cllr Squires on the draft letter to be sent to local schools.</b> Item deferred until the next meeting.	
<b>16</b>	<b>Parish Council vacancies – co-option notice for two Councillors.</b> Vacancies to be readvertised.	Clerk
<b>17</b>	<b>Correspondence – to be noted and discussed. Cornwall Local Plan to 2050.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Affordable Housing Scheme and Working Group.</b> It was agreed to put this item on the agenda for the next meeting and invite a representative along to speak.</li> </ul>	AB
<b>18</b>	<b>To note the action list provided by the Clerk – for information only.</b> Noted.	
<b>19</b>	<b>Parish Matters / Any other business and items for the next meeting.</b> None.	
<b>20</b>	<b>Date of the next Full Council Meeting – Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026.</b>	
<b>21</b>	<b>To close the Meeting.</b> There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm	

Dated

Signed.