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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26th June 2026

Members present: Cllrs S. Meads (Chair), K Dickin (Vice-Chair), J Cruse, A Green, L Spenser, J Stansfield, G. Sutton
Also present: Parish Clerk, 1member of the public (present in part)

AGENDA REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION
26-06/01	**PERSONS PRESENT/APOLOGIES** To **NOTE** persons, present and **RECEIVE** apologies for absence. None
26-06/02	**MEMBERS DECLARATIONS** To **RECEIVE** any Declarations of Interest from Members for the agenda items a. Pecuniary/Registrable Declarations of Interests b. Non-Registrable Interests c. Declaration of Gifts None declared
26-06/03	**PUBLIC FORUM** The Council received a presentation from an agent regarding a redevelopment proposal of Hawthorn Lodge, Waterloo currently being prepared for submission as a planning application. The design proposals encompassed the replacement of the existing dwelling with a highly energy-efficient building designed to respond sensitively to its landscape setting. The agent highlighted the proposed use of natural materials, renewable energy measures. Councillors asked questions regarding the scale of the proposal, its relationship to nearby heritage assets, the treatment of the existing building and the anticipated timetable for submission of a planning application. The agent advised that supporting heritage, landscape and ecological assessments were being prepared and that a planning application was expected to be submitted later in the year. The Chairman thanked the agent for the presentation and reminded Members that the Council could not discuss the merits of the proposal until a formal planning application had been submitted and referred to the Council for consultation.

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19:18	***Member of the public left the meeting***
26-06/04	**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Draft Minutes of the last Blisland Parish Council meeting having been previously circulated, were taken as read. It was **proposed** by **Cllr Dickin**, seconded by **Cllr Green** and **RESOLVED** by the Councill to approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 26 May 2026 as a true and accurate record. Majority. Carried
26-06/05	**MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS** To **NOTE** any matters arising from the accepted Minutes Cllr Stansfield provided an update on a meeting with MP Ben Maguire, during which he discussed the Helland Wind Farm, potential community benefits arising from the development, and national housing targets. The Clerk confirmed that no response had yet been received regarding the fence issue previously raised with Cornwall Council's Enforcement Team. It was agreed that, should no response be forthcoming, the matter would be escalated. Members noted the outcome of the meeting with the Blisland Community Shop Committee. A draft letter had been prepared to assist the Committee in approaching surveyors and other professional advisers in support of future grant applications. The Clerk reported that the grass-cutting contract for the Village Green could not be located and would need to be replaced. A draft contract would be prepared for consideration at the next meeting.
26-06/06	**CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** To **RECEIVE** the monthly Cornwall Councillor's Report Not received
26-06/07	**PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND PRE-APPLICATIONS** To **RECEIVE** information, **DISCUSS** and **RESOLVE** a course of action as appropriate a) **PA26/01068**|Local Development Order - Upgrading septic tanks and small sewage treatment plants within River Camel Special Area of Conservation.|River Camel Catchment Area Members considered the clarification received from Cornwall Council regarding the purpose of the proposed Local Development Order. It was **proposed** by **Cllr Stansfield**, **seconded** by **Cllr Cruse** and **RESOLVED** by the Councill to support the proposed Local Development Order, recognising that it would enable householders to upgrade septic tanks and sewage treatment systems without the need for individual planning applications.
26-06/08	**PLANNING DECISIONS** To **RECEIVE** information, **DISCUSS** and **RESOLVE** a course of action as appropriate **a)** **PA26/02178**|Proposed annexe extension|Tregaddick Lodge Blisland Bodmin Cornwall PL30 4QL **Approved with conditions 04 Jun 2026** The above was noted by the Council

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26-06/09	**OTHER PLANNING MATTERS** To **NOTE** and **RECIEVE UPDATES** on other planning matters, late Decisions and Urgent Correspondence a) Cornwall Planning Partnership – vacancy The Council noted the invitation to nominate a representative to the Cornwall Planning Partnership. Members agreed to consider whether they wished to put themselves forward before the closing date. b) Wetland project at Blisland Members received an update on Blisland Wetland Project and recent changes of phosphate mitigation requirements within the River Camel catchment. Concerns were raised regarding the decision not to proceed with the wetlands project and the redirection of funding towards septic tank upgrades. Members considered that further clarification and supporting evidence should be sought regarding the scientific basis for the revised approach. It was **proposed** by **Cllr Stansfield**, **seconded** by **Cllr Spencer** and **RESOLVED** by the Council to prepare a draft letter for consideration by the Parish Council seeking further clarification, and to continue discussions through the Camel Valley Community Network Advisory Panel and other appropriate channels. c) Lyndale House The Clerk reported that Cornwall Council Enforcement had visited the site and had agreed to allow to allow a further six months, to the 5th of December 2026, to achieve compliance with the planning conditions contained in the Planning Consent. The update was noted.
26-06/10	**ANNUAL POLICIES REVIEW** To **REVIEW** adopted policies a) Standing Orders – deferred until the revised document had been circulated to Members together with details of the proposed amendments
26-06/11	**CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE** To **RECEIVE Clerk's Report** and **NOTE** correspondence. a) Report from Clerk and correspondence received before the dispatch of the agenda - Correspondence from Citizen Advice Bureau The Citizens Advice Cornwall annual report was received and noted. Members agreed that the information provided useful demographic data and highlighted issues affecting residents which could assist in preparing the Neighbourhood Priority Statement. b) Urgent correspondence received after dispatch of the agenda The Clerk presented correspondence received from the Community Association regarding the forthcoming Blessing of the Stonework. The correspondence was noted by the Council.
26-06/12	**COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** a) Participation in Blisland Fayre – **to RECEIVE** updates **and RESOLVE** as appropriate Members discussed for the Parish Council's attendance at Blisland Fayre. It was agreed that the Council would obtain quotations for a display banner and use the event to engage with residents regarding the developing Neighbourhood Priority Statement. The Clerk to confirm that the necessary insurance arrangements were in place

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26-06/13	**NEIGHBOURHOOD PRIORITIES STATEMENT** To **RECEIVE** information, **DISCUSS** and **RESOLVE** a course of action as appropriate a) Terms of Reference for the Steering Group Members considered the revised Terms of Reference for the Neighbourhood Priority Statement Steering Group. It was **proposed** by **Cllr Stansfield**, **seconded** by **Cllr Dickin** and **RESOLVED** by the Councill to approve the draft terms of reference for adoption by th NPS Steering Committee. b) Joint Statement with Helland Parish Meeting Members considered correspondence from Helland Parish Meeting proposing the preparation of a joint Neighbourhood Priority Statement. Whilst recognising that there were areas of shared interest between the two parishes, Members considered that Blisland's priorities and aspirations were not fully aligned with those of Helland. In particular, Members considered that Blisland's location within the National Landscape means the parish has its own planning and environmental priorities, which are best reflected in a parish-specific Neighbourhood Priority Statement. It was **proposed** by **Cllr Meads**, **seconded** by **Cllr Spencer** and **RESOLVED** by the Councill to continue to prepare its own Neighbourhood Priority Statement and not to pursue a joint statement with Helland Parish Meeting. The Clerk was instructed to respond accordingly and confirm that Blisland's existing designation remains unchanged.
26-06/14	**FINANCE** a) To **RECEIVE** and **NOTE** the bank reconciliation as of the 30th June 2026 – deferred until the next meeting b) To **RECEIVE** and **APPROVE** June 2026 Payment Schedule Members considered the payment schedule. It was **proposed** by **Cllr Dickin**, **seconded** by **Cllr Stansfield** and **RESOLVED** by the Councill to approve the payment schedule as presented. c) To **REVIEW** the Asset register Members noted that insufficient time had been available to review the Asset Register. It was agreed that the Asset Register be circulated to Members for review and deferred to the next meeting. d) To **CONSIDER** donation to St Breward Area Community Bus Members considered a request for financial assistance from the St Breward Area Community Bus service. It was **proposed** by **Cllr Spencer**, **seconded** by **Cllr Stansfield** and **RESOLVED** by the Councill to approve the donation of £100 to the St Breward Area Community Bus. e) To **CONSIDER** donation to the Blisland Fayre Members considered a request for financial support from Blisland Fayre. It was **proposed** by **Cllr Spencer**, **seconded** by **Cllr Green** and **RESOLVED** by the Councill to purchase Pets at Home vouchers for the Dog Show, up to a value of £100, from the Council's donation budget.
26-06/15	**ASSETS MANAGEMENT** To **RECEIVE** information, **DISCUSS** and **RESOLVE** a course of action as appropriate a) Institute improvement works, including updates on the planning consent The Clerk reported that additional information requested by Cornwall Council in respect of the building consent application had been submitted and the Council was awaiting validation of the application. Members also received an update on funding opportunities for the Institute improvements. An Expression of Interest had been submitted to Historic England for funding towards a new ventilation system. b) Institute tables and chairs – to **CONSIDER** replacement Members considered options for replacing the existing tables and chairs at the Institute.

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	It was agreed by the Councill to obtain feedback from the Institute users for suitable replacement tables and chairs before a final decision is made and any grant application submitted.
26-06/16	**HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS** To **RECEIVE** information, **DISCUSS** and **RESOLVE** a course of action as appropriate**.** a) Enhanced LMP 2027 Members discussed the possibility of submitting a grant for installing a boardwalk along the path Public Footpath No. 503/8/3. It was agreed that Cllr Green would contact the contractor to arrange a site visit and ask for a quote. b) Any other issues related to Highways or footpaths Members reported that vegetation at the double S-bend near Treswarrow remained partially uncut, creating a road safety concern. Members raised concerns regarding vegetation management along the footpath between Waterloo and Blisland village. It was noted that whilst the path had recently been cut, overhanging vegetation from the top of the bank continued to encroach on the route, particularly affecting its use by school children. Concerns were also expressed regarding the standard of clearing undertaken following maintenance works. It was agreed that the matter be raised with the contractor responsible for the footpath maintenance. Councillor Stansfield gave an update in relation to the Final Surface Water Drainage Plan for the Duelled A30 between Higher Carblake and Temple; Cornwall Councillor Dan Rogerson, the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Highways, had verbally told Councillor Stansfield at the CORMAC Engagement on the 11th of June that the CC Strategic Director had agreed that an independent review of the design, efficacy and implementation of the A30 Drainage Plan would be carried out; specifically in relation to the significant flooding issues that have been experienced adjacent to the Southern entrance to the Trewardale Estate and on the highway from the A30 to the Pengelly Bungalow' s. Members also received an update on the Community Highways Improvement Programme proposal for additional road markings at the double S-bend. It was **proposed** by **Cllr Dickin**, **seconded** by **Cllr Stansfield** and **RESOLVED** by the Councill to write to the local Cornwall Councillor requesting support for the proposed road-marking scheme in view of the road safety concerns previously identified. c) BT phone box It was reported that the BT box was repainted and it was unclear who carried out the works
26-06/17	**TRAINING** AND **MEETINGS ATTENDED** To **RECEIVE** information, **DISCUSS** and **RESOLVE** a course of action as appropriate Cllr Green reported on attending Moorland History Group Members noted the introduction of a new interactive mapping tool by National Landscape which would become publicly available from 1 July 2026 and could provide useful information for parish councils and the preparation of the Neighbourhood Priority Statement. She further added that AONB is still a legal term which is used alongside National Landscapes
26-06/18	**DIARY DATES:** a) Next Full Council meeting – Blisland Village Hall – 23rd July 2026 19hrs b) NPS session with Cornwall Council – 1st July 2026. The above was noted by the Council
26-06/19	**CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSION** Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960, to **RESOLVE** that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, **the public and press leave**. No members of the public present

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26-06/20	- To consider actions arising from the Annual Parish Meeting The members discussed the feedback from the residents and agreed to arrange a meeting with Cornwall Councillor Batters in the forthcoming days
26-06/21	- NPS Steering group membership The Council considered applications received from members of the community wishing to join the Neighbourhood Priority Statement Steering Group. Following discussion the Council agreed to appoint the following applicant to the Steering group: • Roy Wilson; • Rod Atkins; • Phil Shephard The Clerk was requested to notify all applicants of the Council's decision and thank them for their interest in supporting the project.
26-06/22	**TO CLOSE THE MEETING** The meeting closed at 9:20

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