ST WENN PARISH COUNCIL

Full Meeting of Parish Council – 9th June 2026

26/06 2653	**Persons Present:** Cllr. C. Shapter, Chairman, Cllr. T. Lock, Cllr. T. Bourton, Cllr. M. Doughty, Cllr. S. Pedlar.	
26/06 2654	**Apologies for Absence:** Cllr. N. Hawkey Vice Chairman, C. Cllr. R. O'Connor. In Attendance: S. Theobald, Clerk and Minute taker. 3 Members of the Public.	
2655	**Declarations of Interest / Dispensations:** None.	
26/06 2656	**Chairman's Welcome:** Cllr. Shapter welcomed those present and welcomed the fact that Councillors and public could arrive in daylight and hopefully return home whilst it was still light.	
26/06 2657	**Cornwall Councillor's Report:** In the absence of Cornwall Councillor Rowland O'Connor his report was read out by the Clerk and can be found filed with these Minutes and on the website.	
26/06 2658	**Public Participation:** The first speaker expressed concern, and confusion, over an announcement made by Cornwall Council appearing to suggest that householders, not on mains drainage, would be 'required' to upgrade their septic tanks at considerable cost to the householders. The notification had confused rather than enlightened the speaker and other neighbouring parishioners. The second speaker reiterated these statements and asked that an Extraordinary Meeting of Parish Council be called, with a spokesperson from Cornwall Council present to clarify the terms within this notice and explain the consultation process which had been followed. It was noted that despite a promised 'Teams' meeting was to be held no such date, time or link to join the meeting had been received by Parishioners or Councillors. The next speaker wished to drawer to Councillor's attention a request for a grant to meet any shortfall in funding for the installation of the new signpost at Treliver junction. The speaker also pointed out that if the school were granted permission to service the flower planters along the boundary fence in the car park the weight of the planters could damage the fence. To be discussed at Item 14 on the agenda. Standing Orders now applied.	E-mailed 10.06.26
26/06 2659	**Council Meeting Minutes 12th May 2026:** Minutes of the meeting of St Wenn Parish Council, having been previously circulated, and taken as read, be approved and signed. Proposed by Cllr. Lock, seconded by Cllr. Bourton and agreed unanimously. Duly signed by the Chairman. No matters arising.	

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26/06 2660	**Planning Applications for Consultation:** None at this time.	
26/06 2661	**Planning Decisions received from Cornwall Council: Approved / Refused:** Application: PA26/01807 APPROVED Location:- Milland Farm Demelza Road St Wenn Bodmin Cornwall PL30 5PE Proposal: Request for approval under Regulation 77 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 for development falling within Class M Part 7 of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development etc) (England) (Amendment) Order 2021 in reference to PA25/05608.	
26/06 2662	**Finance Reports: 9th June 2026.** It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the Finance Reports as above including budget v actual and expenditure to date, and authorise the payments of accounts outstanding in the sum of £1760.35 and **AGREE** the bank reconciliation so presented. Councillors had scrutinised these accounts before the meeting. Cllr. Lock proposed adoption of these accounts, seconded by Cllr. Shapter and agreed unanimously.	
26/06 2663	**Lloyds Bank:** The Clerk confirmed that the change of mandate had been successfully completed. Signatories now named as Cllrs. Shapter, Lock and Pedlar.	
26/06 2664	**Clerk's Report:** The Clerk reported that all was well with the new Website and that new gov.uk e-mail addresses would be implemented as soon as the account had gone over from Netwise to Google for better security. The new form of Councillor's Register of Interests was explained, the new forms will be sent out to all in the next day or two. Councillors were requested if possible to fill these forms out on-line and e-mail them back to the Clerk. The WI Hall Treasurer had been contacted with reference to Council having not received an invoice for hiring the hall for Council Meetings since April 2025. An updated invoice will be received but would have to include a charge for heating left on inadvertently by Council after numerous meetings. The Clerk informed the meeting that it was likely she would be unable to attend the July meeting owing to a medical procedure awaited anytime in the next fortnight which would render her unable to drive for some weeks.	
2665	**Website:** As stated above.	
26/06 2666	**St Wenn Primary School: Hard Play Area:** It was agreed that thanks be extended to the Parishioner who offered to donate two refurbished benches for public use in the car park. Councillors were of the opinion that the placing of the benches would enhance the facilities in the car park for walkers, parents, cyclists, and anyone hiring the MUGA for tennis and exercising. It was agreed that if the school wished to hire out the MUGA for 'out of school' hours to members of the community they should monitor the process in which ever way they felt to be most beneficial..	E-mailed 10.06.26

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26/06 2667	**Car Park:** It was agreed that the safety of children and other pedestrians using the car park must be addressed. Cars entering the car park often did so at a speed likely to cause serious injury if a person on foot was not aware of the danger. It was thought that to lower the hedge at the vehicle entry / exit point would give greater visibility to drivers and pedestrians, new signage could be put in place as the present signs were faded and no longer noticed by car park users. A new pedestrian entry / exit point from all directions could be repositioned further away from the vehicle entrance. It was unanimously agreed that the school be given permission to plant up the fence planters but recommended that these be lowered to ground level to save putting undue weight on the fence and improve access for smaller pupils to reach and take part in the planting process.	
26/06 2668	**Defibrillator Training:** It was agreed that the Clerk contact South West Ambulance service to confirm a training day preference of 27th June if at all possible. It was further agreed that those taking part would be asked to make a contribution towards the S.W. Ambulance Charity.	
26/06 2669	**St Wenn Churchyard:** A request for a grant from this Council towards Churchyard maintenance had been received. It was proposed by Cllr. Shapter that £750 be awarded, this was seconded by Cllr. Lock and agreed unanimously.	E-mailed 10.06.26
26/06 2670	**Correspondence:** All correspondence of interest had been sent to Councillors via e-mail. An invitation from Cornwall Council to attend a presentation by Cormac (on various dates and venues) on their roadwork timetable was handed to Cllr. Shapter.	
2671	**Matters of Public Interest:**	
26/06 2672	**Date of next meeting:** Full Meeting of Council. To be on Tuesday, 14th July 2026 if considered necessary. There will be no meeting in August. September meeting to be held on 8th September 2026. There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9pm..	

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