

St Martin – By - Looe Parish Council

MINUTES FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AT 7.30PM.

HELD ON THURSDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 2026 AT NO MAN'S LAND MEMORIAL HALL.

Attended by:

Chair: Robert Henly.

Vice Chair: Roberta Powley

Parish Councillors: Barbara Reynolds, David Keeble,

Louise Western, Paul Matthews, Simon Lawes.

Charles Hyde, Parish Clerk & Proper Officer of the Council.

Public Question Time and Councillors Comments on Declared Interests:

Nothing raised or declared.

Agenda Item 1: Declarations of Interest:

None.

Agenda Item 2: Apologies for absence:

Parish Councillor David Keeble, County Councillor, Mark Gibbons.

PCSO Dave Billing.

Agenda Item 3: Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting:

3.1.1: Minutes for the Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd July 2026 It was proposed by Councillor Reynolds, seconded by Councillor Matthews and agreed 5-0 (Councillor Lawes did not attend the meeting) that they be taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Agenda Item 4: Planning Applications:

4.1.1: Application No: PA26/04788.

Proposal: Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Change of use of Agricultural buildings to dwellinghouses (use Class C3) with variation of Condition 1 of decision notice PA23/08738 dated 23.01.2024

Location: Bay View Farm St Martin Looe Cornwall

Applicant: Mrs E Elford

Grid Ref: 227363 / 54410

Parish Councils Decision: Comment not necessary as only requesting more time, so no issue identified.

Agenda Item 5: Planning Decisions received by the date of the meeting:

5.1.1: Application No: PA26/02613. APPROVED

Applicant: Mrs Jill Spicer.

Location: House At Looe Country Park Caravan and Campsite, Bucklawren Road, No Man's Land, Cornwall, PL13 1QS.

Proposal: Formation of new vehicular access from Bucklawren Road.

Cornwall Councils Decision: APPROVED.

Agenda Item 6: Planning Matters:

None received.

6.2: Correspondence:

Forwarded by email where possible.

7.1.1: Summary of Accounts.

Reconciled balances date 26/08/2026.

Opening Bank Balances 1 st April 2026	£26,334.62
Income to date	£7,362.57
Expenditure to date	£8,425.26
Balance to date	£25,271.93

7.2: Accounts paid in July 2026.

Payment type	Organisation	Amount
BACS	Clerks June 2026 Salary (not including PAYE or NI)	677.68
BACS	HMRC PAYE (Paid quarterly)	266.60
BACS	HMRC Employers NI £79.09 covered by Gov Grant	0.00
BACS	HP Instant Ink (Monthly subscription) (Paid by C Hyde).	6.49
SO	Bank Service Charges	4.25
BACS	B Reynolds Community Garden Grant Money	16.00
	Total	971.02

7.3: Income in July/August 2026.

2-Jul-26	The Roofing Company AD REVENUE		£	120.00
3-Jul-26	Ashley Bowen AD REVENUE		£	10.00
11-Aug-26	R Bray AD REVENUE		£	30.00
26-Aug-26	Bank Interest		£	42.30
		Total	£	202.30

It was proposed by Councillor Western, seconded by Councillor Matthews that Items 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 are ratified. ALL AGREED.

7.4: Requests for Funding received by date of meeting.

None received.

7.5: Receipts and letters of thanks received by the date of the meeting.

None received.

7.6: Financial Business.

7.6.1: External Auditor Report – Uploaded to our website, no issues found.

7.7.1: Accounts to be paid in September 2026.

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BACS	Clerks July 2026 Salary (not including PAYE or NI)	677.68
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BACS	HP Instant Ink (Monthly subscription) (Paid by C Hyde). Aug.	6.49
BACS	Bank Service Charges. Aug.	4.25

BACS	Ashley Bowen – Bus Shelter Preservative and repair.	500.00
SO	Information Commissioner – Data Protection Fee	47.00
BACS	Poppy Wreath – Paid for by C Hyde	23.00
BACS	Audid Fee – donated to a wildlife charity	100.00
	Total	2580.04

It was proposed by Vice Chair Powley, seconded by Councillor Lawes, that the following be authorised for payment. ALL AGREED.

Agenda Item 8: Reports on Matters arising from the Minutes.

8.1.1: B3253 and Bucklawren Road Junction – Visibility seriously impaired by vegetation, needs a cut. The Clerk reported to Cormac and work carried out.

Discussions ensued and it was raised the other side of the road needs attention also, The Clerk to report to Cormac.

8.1.2: Pothole by Monkey Sanctuary Entrance – The Clerk to reported to Cormac and work carried out.

8.1.3: Hedgerow failing – On Bucklawren Road in unofficial passing space. The Clerk to reported to Cormac who claim no remedial work is needed but will monitor the situation.

Agenda Item 9: Business received after publication of agenda:

9.1.1: No Dumping sign – Broken at the Holland Road Community Garden and other signs removed but recovered. The Chair will take a look at removing the unused post and The Clerk will report the incident to the Police and ask for extra patrols.

Agenda Item 10: New Business:

10.1.1: Items reported to the Parish Council in August:

Access only sign on top of Looe Hill faded – Cormac inspected and said it was not urgent and would replace when money becomes available. This has also been reported by a resident to County Councillor Mark Gibbons.

10.1.2: Passing Places signage – Monkey Sanctuary to Looe Hill, signs were asked to be removed and replaced as there are no passing places, Cormac responded with this has already been reported to them.

10.1.3: Increase in camper vans and motor homes coming from Seaton – This is since Penhale was given permission to allow these types of vehicles. Sat Nav and lack of signage at Seaton are causing the problem.

Agenda Item 11: Around the table:

Councillor Reynolds:

Property on Bucklawren Road – Possible use as HMO. The Clerk to contact Cornwall Council.

Buses – Any news on the suggestion that Go Bus run a mini bus service in the Parish to enable people to access Liskeard directly without the chaos of changing in Looe – The Clerk to go back to Go Bus.

Councillor Lawes:

Millendreath Holiday Village – Planning application approved one year ago no signs of activity on the site as yet.

Culvert Clearout – This needs to be done before winter, The Clerk to contact Cormac.

Councillor Matthews:

Nothing raised.

Councillor Western:

Nothing Raised.

Vice Chair Powley:

Holland Road Surface – Not level, pot holes appearing, grass growing through the surface, tools left behind (in salt bin now). The Clerk to report to Surfacing Team.

The Chair:

Loose Cattle from Keveral – This was reported and eventually the cattle returned to Keveral Farm.

Possible abandon car – In Tregoad dip – The Clerk to investigate and report if needed.

B3253 Dover, fallen tree – What's happening to made safe before winter? The Clerk to investigate.

PCSO Dave Billing:

Police Report - During the month of August there was 1 crime reported to Devon and Cornwall Police within the public domain.

We have been patrolling the Parish when on duty and everything seems to be in order, although after speaking to Robert during the week apparently there were some rogue traders in the area. The Police had no reports regarding this so please if there are any further issues with rogue traders, please can it be reported at the time.

If there are any issues raised at tonight's meeting that concerns the Police, please email me the details.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: 1st October 2026, **The Parish Council Meeting** at 7.30pm at the No Man's Land Memorial Hall.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.25pm.