MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF STITHIANS PARISH COUNCIL
Held on Tuesday 17th November 2026

Persons Present: Cllr Miss H Downing, Cllr Mrs J Thomas, Cllr Mrs V Nicholas, Cllr Mrs C Sylvester, Cllr D Nightingale, Cllr Mrs J Taylor, (to the point noted) Cllr T Smith, Cllr Mrs A West and the Clerk.

Also present: 8 members of public.

1. APOLOGIES :
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mrs S Cotton and Cllr W Oakley-Moore.

2. URGENT ITEMS:
The Chairwoman informed the Members that there was one item for consideration:
- Application to CAP for funds from the 'Small Community Grants Fund'

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION:

Declarations of interest were received from Cllr Miss H Downing, Cllr Mrs V Nicholas and Cllr D Nightingale in relation to an application to be discussed under agenda item: 10.4: PA26/07449 Demolition of existing stables and erection of 1 no. residential dwellinghouse with associated works on land associated with Trembroath Farm Cottage.

A request for dispensation to address the Members was received from Cllr D Nightingale in relation to PA26/07449
RESOLVED that Cllr D Nightingale be allowed to address the Members in relation to PA26/07449, but to be excluded from further discussion and the vote.
Proposed by Cllr Mrs J Taylor seconded by Cllr Mrs C Sylvester.
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4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS:
Confirmation of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 20th October 2026.
RESOLVED: to accept the minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 20th October 2026 as a true record of the proceedings.
Proposed by Cllr Mrs J Thomas seconded by Cllr Mrs A West and carried unanimously.
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5. MATTERS ARISING:
Matters arising from the Council Meeting held on the 20th October 2026 and not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda.

- Land Registry have acknowledged the Parish Council request to be notified in relation to Tregolls Common.

The Chairwoman closed the meeting at 19:05hrs.

6. Public Participation:
Members of the public addressed the Members in relation to the following:
- *To outline the proposal in relation to PA26/07449, Members were invited to ask questions.*
- *To outline the proposal in relation to PA26/0637, 2 further members of the public spoke in support of this application.*
- *To express concern regarding the restrictions placed on the Facebook page in relation to the promotion of community events in neighbouring parishes.*

The chairwoman re-opened the meeting at 19:26hrs.

***7.* PRESENTATION FROM LUKE TELFORD – REVIEW OF PLAYING FIELD RENT VALUATION.**
Mt Telford was unable to attend.

8. CORNWALL COUNCILLOR JOHN THOMAS
CCllr J Thomas was not present at the meeting.

9. Co-Option of Councillors
The Clerk reported that no applications had been received**.**

10. PLANNING

10.1 *Notification of Planning Decisions Received:*
None received.

10.2 *To note Planning Decisions Received after publication of Agenda.*
PA26/06049 – REFUSED – Currahee, Goonlaze – Erection of garage. *(SPC did Not Support)*

10.3 *To consider Planning Applications received.*

10.3(a) & 10.3(c) – The following applications were considered together:
PA26/06531 – Little Menerdue, Rame Common Cross – Continued use of the Existing Agricultural Building and Watershed Building and Use of the Artists Workshop as a Bat Migration Building.
PA26/06347 - Little Menerdue Rame Common Cross - Alterations of former dairy building for use as a domestic garage/store and continued use of the existing agricultural building.
RESOLVED that these applications are supported and caried unanimously.
Proposed by Cllr Mrs J Thomas seconded by Cllr D Nightingale
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10.3(b) Tregolls Cottage Stithians – Proposed two storey extension to existing dwelling.
RESOLVED to support this application.
Proposed by Cllr D Nightingale seconded by Cllr Mrs C Sylvester. (I abstention & 1 vote against)
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10.4 *To consider any Planning Applications received after the publication of the agenda.*

PA26/07449 Demolition of existing stables and erection of 1 no. residential dwellinghouse with associated works on land associated with Trembroath Farm Cottage.

In accordance with the dispensation accepted, Cllr D Nightingale addressed the Members in relation to PA26/07449.

Having declared an interest in this application the Chairwoman, Cllr Miss H Downing, handed the Chair over to Cllr Mrs C Sylvester.
Cllr Miss H Downing, Cllr Mrs V Nicholas and Cllr D Nightingale left the meeting.
RESOLVED to support this application.
Proposed by Cllr Mrs J Taylor seconded by Mrs J Thomas
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Cllr Mrs C Sylvester handed the Chair back to the Chairwoman, Cllr Miss H Downing.

PA26/07697 – London Wells Bungalow, Herniss – Proposed general purpose building for use ancillary to the dwellinghouse location.
RESOLVED to support this application.
Proposed by Cllr Miss H Downing seconded by Cllr Mrs J Thomas and carried unanimously.
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11. CLERK /RFO's Reports

11.1 *Council's Current Financial Position*
RESOLVED to agree the financial position as of 31st October 2026.
Proposed by Cllr Mrs C Sylvester seconded by Cllr Mrs J Taylor and carried unanimously.
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11.2 *Authorising of Payments, to include invoices received after publication of the agenda and regular payments / direct debits for November 2026.*
RESOLVED: To authorise the payment of direct debits & invoices received for the period, 22nd October 2026 – 18th November 2026. Voucher No's: 102 – 119, total £6,263.65 (net)
Proposed by Cllr T Smith seconded by Cllr Mrs C Sylvester and carried unanimously.
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11.3 To *approve the draft 2027/28 Budget & Precept.*
RESOLVED that the

a) **2027 / 28 Budget is accepted.**
b) **PRECEPT be submitted to Cornwall Council for the amount of £119,127.**

Proposed by Cllr D Nightingale seconded by Cllr Mrs J Taylor and carried unanimously.
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11.4 Update on PSPOs Granted by Cornwall Council.
The Clerk presented her report the content of which was noted.

12 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

12.1 *Notes from the EMC Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd November 2026*
The content of the report was duly noted.

12.2 *Report from Portfolio Holder* on *Footpaths, Highways and Environment*
Portfolio holder not present, no report received.

12.3 *Report on Speed Watch & Traffic Data from MSAS System*
Cllr Mrs J Taylor informed the Members that this month's session had been cancelled due to the adverse weather conditions.
The Clerk presented the data from the speed camera on Foundry.
The content of the reports was noted.

12.4 *To schedule next date and schedule of works for the next Volunteer Gardening Session.*
To be carried forward to January Meeting.

13**.** *Update on the relocation of the Cornish Cross currently located in the garden of the Old Vicarage.*
The Clerk briefed the Members on information received from Historic England and previous discussion in relation to this action.
RESOLVED that the resolution agreed in October 2020, under Minute: 07/10/20 continues, in that: information provided in the report on the Cornish Cross situated in the garden of 1 The Old Vicarage and to agree not to pursue the matter of moving it to the Churchyard at the present time but to publicise its existence on the "Memories of Stithians" Facebook page.
Proposed by Cllr Mrs V Nicholas seconded by Cllr Mrs C Sylvester and carried unanimously.
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14. Playing Field Lease Renewal
` To defer until report received from L Telford**.**

15. Resilience Planning (Emergency Plan)
RESOLVED that working group meet on 1st December 2026 at 7 p.m in the Stithians Centre. Cllr D Nightingale to be added as a member of working group.
Proposed by Cllr Mrs J Taylor seconded by Cllr Mrs J Thomas and carried unanimously.
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16. Stithians Community Facebook Page
Cllr D Nightingale briefed the Members on the administration of the Facebook page.
The content of the report was noted.

17. Update & Next Steps for Albert Collins Community Hub Project
RESOLVED that.

a) **Cllr Miss H Downing will undertake to carry out a costing of the build.**
b) **The Clerk to organise a meeting with representatives of Marraum to discuss next steps.**
c) **Cllr Mrs V Nicholas and Cllr Mrs A West be added to the working group following the resignations of P Blease and W Thomas**

Proposed by Cllr Mrs C Sylvester seconded by Cllr T Smith and carried unanimously.
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18. **Consultant's Preliminary Report on Redesign of the Skateboard Park**
Project to be deferred to later date.

19. **Christmas Lights Insurance Renewal**
RESOLVED that the Parish Council will pay the cost of the Christmas Lights Committee Insurance Policy renewal for 2026/27 at a cost of £400.75.
Proposed by Cllr Mrs J Thomas seconded by Cllr Mrs A West and carried unanimously.
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20. To consider response to Cornwall Council's Consultation on the Cornwall Local Plan
Response submitted as a member of the Mining Villages Regeneration Group (MVRG)

21:00hrs Cllr Mrs J Taylor left the meeting.

21. URGENT ITEMS
Notification received for applications to be submitted for funds for projects from the Small Community Grants Fund. Deadline for submission: 25th November 2026.
RESOLVED: that

a. **The Clerk seek clarification on timescales for decisions.**
b. **Depending on decision date, 2 x applications be submitted each for the sum of £500 to enable the Lantern Making Workshop and Lunch Club Christmas Dinner to be provided free of charge,**

Proposed by Cllr Mrs C Sylvester seconded by Cllr V Nicholas and carried unanimously.
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19. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.
Essential Business only.

19. Date of Next Meeting:
To confirm the date of the next Council Meeting as Tuesday 15th December at 7p.m in the Hendra Room, in the Stithians Centre. ESSENTIAL BUSINESS ONLY

The meeting Closed at 21:30 hrs.

Signed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

…… Chairwoman. Date:

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