

Altarnun Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of Altarnun Parish Council (APC) meeting held at Altarnun Village Hall, Wednesday 12th November 2025, which commenced at 7.30 pm. **APC members present:** Cllr Dowler (Chair), Cllr Branch, Cllr Bloomfield, Cllr Kendall, Cllr Pannell, Cllr Halls, Cllr Vickery & Cllr Pooley. **Also present:** Cornwall Cllr Parsons, Mr R Turner (APC clerk) & two members of the public.

163/25 Apologies for absence: APC Cllrs Smith, Wendon & Masters.

164/25 Members declaration of interests and requests for dispensations. Members declaration of gifts and hospitality. No declarations of interests or gifts were made.

165/25 Invitation for members of the public and Cornwall Cllr Adrian Parsons to address the meeting.

A member of the public referred to the Cornwall Council A30 Plusha grade separated junction study – stakeholder working group meeting held 22.10.2025.

Cllr Parsons presented highlights from recent Cornwall Council cabinet & committee meetings, including:

- The councils' drive to reduce the number of families being placed into B & B accommodation and commitment to deliver a substantial increase in new homes being built.

- From October 2025, the county will benefit from broadband improvements, including the Superfast 3 project, aimed at extending Superfast and Ultrafast services to over 500 businesses. Also the expansion of full fibre broadband to over 7500 additional homes and businesses. However there is a noticeable shortfall in Ultrafast (full fibre) access with only 52.8% coverage compared with the national benchmark of 70%.

- Cornwall Council is set to delay its ambitious net zero emissions target by 15 years, shifting its goal from 2030 to 2045.

Emissions have reduced by 2-3% pa since 2019 and far below the pace needed to meet the original 2030 target.

- Preparations are being made to commence the next Cornwall Local Plan which will extend to 2050.

166/25 To approve the minutes of the Altarnun Parish Council meeting held 1st October 2025.

It was proposed by Cllr Branch and seconded by Cllr Pooley, then unanimously **resolved** that the minutes of the APC Meeting held on 1st October were correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chair. Cllr Dowler signed the minutes.

167/25 Matters arising from minutes of APC meeting 1st October 2025 and not included in this agenda.

There were no matters arising.

168/25 Finance Matters:

(Cornwall Councillor Parsons and Cllr Pannell joined the meeting during this agenda item. Cllr Pannell did not declare any interests or gifts).

The Responsible Finance Officer (RFO) reported: -

- Telephone boxes situate at Mill Green, Five Lanes & Tregunnon Cross placed on all risks cover with our insurers.

- Internal finance check review of Q1 & Q2 2025/2026 signed off by Cllr Branch. No issues or concerns recorded.

- Totals of reserves and general fund as at 30.9.2025.

- Funds received 31.10.2025, bank interest £15.44.

- Bank balance as at 31.10.2025 £25914.29 credit.

November accounts payable.

- £72 Payline -payroll services July – Oct 2025 Chq 1535

- £240 AMC Electrical – Periodic electrical installation condition report re toilet block. Chq 1536

- £381.85 Clerks salary Nov 2025. Chq 1537

- £1038 Smart Brothers. Maintenance per schedule supplied £530, Altarnun grass cuts £104, Bolventor cemetery £90, Toilet cleans £234, Penpont View grass cuts £40 & Remembrance Day wreaths £40.

Cllr Bloomfield proposed to approve the payments, Cllr Vickery seconded, and it was unanimously **resolved** to pay these accounts. Cllr Dowler signed the schedule of payments being made.

Cllr Dowler asked Cllr Parsons to deliver his monthly report as noted in minute no.165/25.

169/25 Planning Applications: For noting only, as cllrs deemed no consultee comment as being necessary.

PA25/07475 Applicant: - Mrs Jessica Gillbard Location:- Tor View Farm Trethinna Hill Altarnun.

Proposal: Non-material amendment in relation to decision notice PA23/09231 dated 10/01/2024, namely

1) Removing the chimney and replacing with a metal flue. 2) Removing the apex rooflight and replacing with a rooflight on the southern slope. 3) Moving the solar array to the ground south of the dwelling.

170/25 Planning Decisions: The following applications were reported as approved by the LPA:

PA25/02383, PA25/05745, PA25/07475, PA25/05621, PA25/05633 & PA25/05634.

For more details about any planning decision, note the reference number and go to the Cornwall Council website <http://planning.cornwall.gov.uk/online-applications/>

171/25 Pre-Application Planning Cases: No cases were reported.

172/25 Methodist Chapel, Rose Hill.

Further to minute no.156/25 the clerk reported the owner of the chapel was sent a copy of the APC October 2025 meeting draft minutes with a request to reply as to whether permission would be granted or not, to allow the graveyard to be maintained by a contractor appointed by APC. No response has been received.

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173/25 Highways.

Cllr Parsons and Cllr Halls reported on the Cornwall Council (CC) A30 Working group meeting held 22.10.2025. Cllr Halls presented the long list of options that CC are being tasked to consider by National Highways in consultation with stakeholders, for safety improvements for our local communities, between Kennards House and Five Lanes. After lengthy discussion which summarised each option in turn, Cllr Dowler proposed that a timebound response was submitted to the CC team with the APC consultee comments in respect of each option. Cllr Kendall seconded, and the clerk undertook to respond as proposed within a timescale to be agreed with the CC team, subject to copying APC councillors prior to submission.

174/25 APC Website domain name and clerks email address.

Further to minute no.160/25 the clerk advised that matters are progressing and that the provision of a gov.uk domain name and email address for the clerk can be achieved at £nil cost via the approved registrar.

175/25 Correspondence – for information only.

- Laneast PC enquiring the source and cost of APC noticeboards.
- HM Land Registry with enquiries regarding the application to register Altarnun Village Green.
- Road closure at Treween 11.11.2025-13.11.2025. Also, published on APC website.
- Neighbourhood Watch Community Manager for Cornwall, asking for an invitation to attend a future APC meeting.
- Various NALC, CALC, CC & Community Link Officer briefings.

176/25 Advise venue, date & time of next council meeting expected to be at Altarnun Village Hall, Wednesday 3rd December 2025 at 7.30pm.

These details were confirmed Cllr Dowler closed the meeting at 9.10 p.m.