

SITHNEY PARISH COUNCIL
Chairman: Councillor Philip Martin

Clerk to the Council
Mrs Jodie Ellis
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Trannack Farm,
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13/25

Minutes of the ordinary parish council meeting held at Sithney school on Tuesday 05th August 2025 at 7.30pm.

Cllr P Martin (chairman)

Cllr M Tresidder (vice-chairman)

Cllr S Hilditch

Cllr N Logan

Parish Clerk Jodie Ellis and 8 members of the public.

- 1. Apologies for absence** – Apologies were received from Cllr L Penrose and Cornwall Cllr Loveday Jenkin. Cllr Bulavs was absent.
- 2. Acceptance of minutes** – The minutes of the ordinary council meeting held on the 02nd July 2025 were unanimously agreed and signed by the chairman.
- 3. Declarations of interest for items on this agenda** – None.
- 4. To consider any applications for dispensations under section 33 of the localism act 2011** – None received.
- 5. Public participation** –
 - The applicant for PA25/03809 advised they currently have a successful air B&B at Harvey's house which has parking for three vehicles. This is being sold to friends. The glamping pods will replace the vehicular access of the three vehicles, so there will be no increase. The wildlife is important and as such lights will be on timers and no music will be allowed. The applicant lives in Lowena on site and will monitor the activities.
 - A parishioner who lives adjacent to planning application PA25/03809 advised the glamping pods will look directly into his property and be a compromise of his privacy. They would be sharing the same access as his property. The area is beautiful, and the glamping pods are not the right use of the land and will have a negative impact on the area.
 - A parishioner who owns the bridleway that will be serving PA25/03809 advised the traffic numbers have already increased and horse riders are often forced to turn around and go back for cars even though a bridleway permits horses to have right of way over cars. The traffic increase and safety of those using the bridleway is of great concern.
 - A parishioner from the Trannack area who walks the paths around PA25/03809 often has concerns about the increase in traffic and use of a path that already has potholes and becomes very wet and muddy. The light pollution and impact on all the wildlife in the area is a concern.
- 6. Chairman's comments** – Cllr Martin had nothing to report.
- 7. Councillors' questions and comments** - 24-hour notice in accordance with Standing Orders advisable – none.
- 8. Cornwall councillor's comments** – Cllr Jenkin sent her apologies as she is away and advised the Community chest allocation of budget per Cornwall councillor has been agreed and any eligible groups are welcome to apply to her.
- 9. Planning:**
 - PA25/03809 - Land North Of Harvey's House Lowertown Helston - Change of use of land to site three holiday glamping pods and provision of parking. Councillors discussed the application and all the comments made by members of the public. Councillors had concerns about the traffic impact on the area and on the narrow bridleway. Also, the permanent change of use of land that the glamping pod structures would bring to the countryside. It was RESOLVED that Sithney parish council do not support the application.
 - PA25/02349 - Barn At Longstone Farm Trenear Helston - Proposed demolition of storage barn and replace with new self-build dwelling in lieu of previously approved Class Q conversion under PA24/00517. Councillors felt that being a new build two storey house, it would be significantly different from the Class Q proposal, in that it would no longer maintain a simple form and appearance. Cllrs considered that it would be more appropriate to convert the existing barn. It was RESOLVED that Sithney Parish Council do not support the application.
 - PA25/05392 - Location Trelissick Farm Sithney Helston - Permission in Principle for proposed conversion of a building to form a self- contained dwelling. Cllrs felt that the proposal would be an appropriate use for a redundant building and also appreciate that this could support the farm. It was RESOLVED that Sithney Parish Council supports the application.
- 10. Public rights of way** – 230/14/1 – clerk advised that this is being looked into by the enforcement team.

11. Clerk's report and correspondence

Sithney Street Light – It has been advised that the light will be included in the next round of overnight switch offs and daytime dimming from the 04.08.25.

CIL funds – to note CIL funds currently stand at £5910.59

Unity Bank – clerk advised we need to submit identity confirmation for Cllr Penrose to be able to move the application forward.

Land behind Merther Close – clerk and Cllr Jenkin have been chasing Coastline on a weekly basis and will continue to do so.

Sithney School – to note new hire charges for 2025/2026 are £20.00 per hour rather than £15.00 per hour.

12. Payments - It was RESOLVED, all Councillors in favour that the following payments be authorised:

Cornwall Pension Fund (LGPS) – Clerk – standing order	£149.63
Mrs J Ellis – Clerk Salary – Standing order	£799.97
CALC election training part 2 – clerk and code of conduct training x 2	£81.00
HMRC – PAYE employer NIC	£58.16
Mr R Sanders – LMP Cutting and Plovers Field cuts	£2268.33
	£3357.09

13. Financial report of the clerk – There are payments to pay totalling £3357.09 as reported in item 12. The bank reconciliations and budget monitoring reports at the end of July 2025 for the Current Account and Business Saver have been circulated to members in the Rialtas reports, it was unanimously RESOLVED to accept the bank reconciliation and budget monitoring reports.**14. Grant Applications** – Sithney Church have submitted an application requesting £500 towards the grass cutting of the churchyard. It was RESOLVED to award this payment at September's meeting.**15. Time and date of the next meeting** – Tuesday 2nd September 2025 at 7.30pm