

Altarnun Parish Council

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DRAFT Minutes of Altarnun Parish Council (APC) meeting held at Altarnun Village Hall, Wednesday 1st July 2026, which commenced at 7.30 pm. **APC members present:** Cllr Dowler (Chair), Cllr Bloomfield, Cllr Kendall, Cllr Masters, Cllr Smith, Cllr Vickery, Cllr Halls & Cllr Pannell. **Also present:** one member of the public & APC clerk, Mr R Turner.

95/26 Apologies for absence: Cornwall Cllr A Parsons. APC Cllrs Wendon & Branch. The clerk advised that Cllr Pooley had written to the chair resigning his role of parish councillor, creating a casual vacancy which has been published.

96/26 Members declaration of interests and requests for dispensations. Members declaration of gifts and hospitality. No declarations of interests or gifts were made.

97/26 Invitation for members of the public and Cornwall Cllr Adrian Parsons to address the meeting.

No one addressed the meeting and Cllr Parsons did not file a report.

98/26 To approve the minutes of the Altarnun Parish Council meeting held 3rd June 2026.

It was proposed by Cllr Dowler and seconded by Cllr Kendall, then unanimously **resolved** that the minutes of the APC Meeting held on 3rd June 2026 were correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chair. Cllr Dowler signed the minutes.

99/26 Matters arising from minutes of APC meeting 3rd June 2026 and not included in this agenda.

There were no matters arising.

100/26 Finance Matters:

Responsible Finance Officer reported:

-Funds received 10.6.2026 £74 - cemetery reservation fees.

-Funds received 30.6. 2026, £13.44 - Nat West deposit interest

-APC bank balance as at 30.6.2026 £23,396.65 credit.

-Quarter 1 2026/27 finance details circulated to members per standing order 17.c, prior to the meeting.

-Provisional reserves be stated as at 30.6.2026 (after quarter one 2026/27 expenses at Bolventor churchyard £245 were deducted from the apportioned reserve, defibrillator expenses £124 were deducted from the apportioned reserve and £300 transferred from the general fund to the election reserve) as follows: Public convenience £5610, Defibrillator £1796, Mill Green £263, Cemetery £3850, Bolventor Church Yard £1005, Election £1501 & General Fund £9371.

Cllr Dowler proposed that APC reserves be restated to agree with these sums, Cllr Kendall seconded and it was **resolved** to restate the figures as proposed.

Accounts payable

-£38.52 Pennon Water Servs re public conveniences – to be collected by direct debit 8.7.2026

-£6.29 Postages Q1 26/27. Chq 1572

-£398.35 Clerk salary July 2026 Chq1573

- £1076.98 Smart Brothers - General Maintenance £285, Mill Green planting£68, Toilet cleans £234, Consumables £39.98, Penpont View grass cuts £80, Parish grass cuts £210, Bolventor cemetery £160. Chq 1574.

Cllr Masters 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.

101/26 Planning Applications:

-**Application PA26/03950** Proposal: Advertisement Consent for 1no. double-sided D6 Display. Location: Bodmin Moor Garage Altarnun. Applicant: Wildstone Estates Limited.

After discussion and clarifying the planning documents, Cllr Dowler proposed & Cllr Masters seconded to approve the following consultee comment to Cornwall Council Planning & Sustainable Development Office, which was **resolved:**

'Altarnun Parish Council has no objections to this application and assume the sign will be sited as not to obscure driver vision'

102/26 Planning Decisions – for information only: The following applications were reported as being approved: PA26/02616, PA26/03022, PA26/00772, PA26/02805. Application PA26/01629 was reported as being withdrawn.

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/>

103/26 Pre-Application Planning: No cases were reported.

104/26 Highways:

(*Cllr Bloomfield joined the meeting. *Cllr Halls joined the meeting)

-Cornwall Council A30 Plusha Junction study Group: The clerk and Cllr Halls reported on the study group online meeting held 10.6.2026, which announced a short list of three possible schemes to improve safety and connectivity between Kennards House & Five Lanes, and the timescales within which the study report will be concluded and passed to National Highways. Councillors were mindful that their full and complete comments made to Cornwall Council, dated 21.11.2025 on each proposed scheme remain current and clearly express the preferred and only acceptable option being a grade separated junction at Plusha and selected gap closures.

-Cormac 'Meet the Team' event 11.6.2026, Bodmin Rugby Club: The clerk reported on his attendance and advised that he discussed remedial works required and in progress around the parish with the Highways Manager.

105/26 Proposed reintroduction by Cornwall Council of highway weed spraying.

No update had been received from Cornwall Council at the date of this meeting.

(*Cllr Pannell joined the meeting)

106/26 Neighbourhood Priority Statement.

The clerk reported he had contacted South Petherwin and Lewannick Parish Councils in this regard to establish their positions and objectives, after which a lengthy debate took place and councillors were of the opinion more time was required to look at the Cornwall Council information pack that the clerk had circulated to all members on 10.6.2026 before committing to a decision to whether participate in the scheme or not. Cllr Bloomfield proposed that no action be taken or decision made at present and that this item be returned to the next full council meeting, Cllr Smith seconded and it was unanimously **resolved** that the clerk be instructed to include this agenda item for the next APC meeting.

107/26 Correspondence – for information only.

-Cornwall Council – introduction of dog and waste bin emptying charges and fees to be imposed by Biffa. (To be an agenda item at the next APC meeting)

-Member of the public - regarding roof repairs to the grade 2 listed Bolventor Reading Room and whether the parish council had been consulted prior to the work commencing.

-South West Water apologising for lapses in overall service quality and promising future upgrades to their infrastructure.

-Various NALC, CALC, Cornwall Council, Community Area Partnership and Citizens Advice briefings.

108/26 Advise venue, date & time of next council meeting expected to be at Altarnun Village Hall, Wednesday 5th August 2026 at 7.30pm.

These details were confirmed and Cllr Dowler closed the meeting at 8.45pm.