

Minutes of the meeting of Mawnan Parish Council
on Tuesday 17th February 2026 at 7.00pm in
The Mawnan Memorial Hall.



Present: Cllrs Potter, Stabbins, Biggin, Whibley, Moyle, Shepherd and Clerk.

6.45 Presentation from Cllr Shiona Biggin about the redevelopment of Mawnan Park

Meeting started at 7.15pm

2526.214 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

Cllrs Morris and Mason, MoP Sheila Portsmouth

2526.215 MEMBERS TO DECLARE ANY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA OR REQUEST DISPENSATIONS

Clerk informed Cllr Potter that there is a dispensation form for Cllr Biggin being able to vote on item 2526.219. Cllr Potter was under the impression from Cllr Mason that Cllr Biggin may not be able to vote. Cllr Biggin stated that with a dispensation she should be allowed to. Cllr Biggin also stated her vote was dependant on how much support in the room there is for the CIL application and match funding requirement. Clerk gave Cllr Biggin a dispensation form to fill out.

2526.216 PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA ONLY

There was a question about the Mawnan Park presentation:

A MoP asked why Mawnan Park (prev Junior Playing Field) can't be combined with the Carwinion Playing Field to create one place rather than the two the village has now. The current Junior Playing Field could be sold. Cllrs explained the land is held in trust and was gifted to the village as a safe space for children to play.

2526.217 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE 20th JANUARY 2026 **ITEM 1**

Proposed Cllr Potter, Seconded Cllr Whibley, RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the meeting 20th Jan 2026 with a few minor amendments made in pen on the paper copy to be scanned for the public record. All in favour.

Cllr Whibley commented that footpath 35 is still being used and having walked it this week it is becoming increasingly concerning. Signs are needed from Cormac on either end. People are still using Ridifarne's garden to get on the path. **Cllr Whibley agrees to take this on and follow it up.**

2526.218 TRUST MEETINGS- inform council of decisions made in Trusts meetings on 9th February.

Clerk informed meeting that these are not votable/ actionable items but for reference so council members not at the trust meeting are aware of what the main resolutions are.

ITEM 2 Carwinion Playing Field Trust minutes

Resolutions of note:

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Proposed Cllr Mason, Seconded Cllr Biggin, RESOLVED to working with the MCA to produce an annual budget to be considered as part of the precepting process and to agree shared costs and grant funding for the financial year 2026- 2027. We ask the MCA to come up with a draft budget for the next trust meeting and based on the outcome the trustees will make an appropriate grant application to the parish council to cover any shortfall. All in favour.

There was a discussion about the situation with the Ben Spike Centre (The MCA building on the Carwinion Playing Field) which is co-owned between the MCA and the parish council. Cllrs are in agreement that the building needs to be maintained and that the situation that has evolved because of the rent increase when the lease was renewed is not currently satisfactory for either parties.

Proposed Cllr Mason, Seconded Cllr Whibley, Resolved for Mr Bate to fix a wooden timber on an external wall and make safe any nails. All in favour.

Proposed Cllr Biggin, Seconded Cllr Stabbins, Resolved that Cllr Mason will contact the devolution team in Cornwall Council. All in favour.

Proposed Cllr Whibley, Seconded Cllr Stabbins, Resolved that the trust will ask the parish council continue to work towards acquiring the adjacent field. All in favour.

Cllr Potter stated that the council has already voted to proceed in trying to ~~acquire~~ ^{transfer} the field. Costs and terms need to be negotiated.

ITEM 3 Junior Playing Field Trust minutes

Resolutions of note:

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Proposed Cllr Mason, Seconded Cllr Stabbins, Resolved to thank Cllr Biggin and that the Trust support the bid to the CIL fund and for the purposes of the EOI hope and recommend that the Parish Council will agree in principle to provide the current match funding need of £80k in February's parish council meeting. It's an amazing opportunity and it should go ahead. All in favour.

Proposed Cllr Mason, Seconded Cllr Stabbins, Resolved to contribute £ 6k of current Trust funds to the CIL funding bid as part of the parish council's match funding, either as a third party organisation or behind the parish council. The trust would also ask the parish council to commit the £4k of S19 grant funding allocated to the trust in parish

council's 26-27 budget to the bid. This brings the donation from the trust to £10k in match funding for the CIL bid. All in favour.

Cllrs acknowledge all of the resolutions above.

2526.219 MAWNAN PARK CIL APPLICATION ITEMS 4 and 5

1. **Vote** to agree the council will commit to the required match funding for Cornwall Council CIL EOI application.
 - a. At the moment as it stands the match funding is £80k. That doesn't stop the fundraising over the year to close that gap, but whatever the gap is in December the parish council will resolve to meet the match funding costs if the application is successful.

This was a lengthy and lively discussion. Cllrs praised Cllr Biggin for her efforts and the presentation. Currently the council is being asked to put £125k into this project from its own resources (not all precept- some from CIL, solar grant etc). Currently this is around £45k already earmarked for the park. Hence the gap of £80k.

Questions focused around what would happen if the application failed and the financial position of the parish council and whether it had enough reserves to commit to the match funding.

If the project fails then the council could look at delivering play equipment only or look at taking out a bigger loan to fund the gap.

Cllr Shepherd looked at the reserves position and concluded that the council is not in a position to afford the match funding. Whilst he is absolutely for the project he is concerned about the match funding as he feels doing it without a loan or putting up the precept it put the council in a financially precarious position. He is absolutely against raising the precept or taking out a loan. He suggests reducing the project size to £150k, the match funding to £50k and ask for £100k of CIL funding. The council could then look at the financial position in a years time and do the final phase later if its affordable. He does not think its prudent to put the council in debt. Cllr Biggin stated that many parish councils take out loans to finance big projects. Mawnan is considered an affluent parish which is why we lost out to the CLUP fund. Going in with match funding or above is the best way to give the application the best chance.

There were a few comments from the public who were supportive of the project but wanted to know more about the financial risks and ways of funding it.

MoP (member of the public) stated that if the loan repayments suck up all the money from the council and stop it from doing anything else then it shouldn't proceed. Cllrs state that on a £60k loan it would take £12,503 per year of the council's budget for 5 years- but the park would be delivered immediately. There is already £20k 'baked into' the budget each year for the park so this would leave £8k of that spare which could go into a maintenance/ sinking fund.

MoP stated that if there is already £20k added to the budget then the loan looks affordable. He doesn't understand what the risk is.

per repairs
MoP wants to know the warranty of the equipment. The equipment must outlive the loan. Cllr Biggin stated generally its 5-10⁺ years on timber products but we have been advised that galvanised steel is the longer lasting and this is what will be specified on the tender should it be successful. These have much longer warranties. There will be a warranty and life expectancy specified with the tender but on average it would be 10-20 years. There is an earmarked reserve starting in 26/27 for the park.

Another MoP stated it would be a lovely thing to hand down to others and it is for all ages.

Carwinion House also offered to help fundraise towards the project over the coming years.

Cllrs also raised the issue of the Carwinion Playing Field and potentially needing resources for the purchase of the field so there needs to be flexibility within the finances. In addition to that there is a lot to do in the coming year so we need to make sure we don't over stretch the council.

Cllr Shepherd pointed out the full £125k ask is over the annual precept which is significant.

Cllr Potter focused on trying to reduce the funding gap from £80k down as much as possible. The £10k from the trust meeting (resolved above) reduces it to £70k, the council can bring that down by a further £10.5k by committing its CIL reserves to the match funding. This brings it down to a £60k funding gap the council needs to underwrite. Cllr Biggin also stated she will be applying for a £20k National Lottery grant so that could be reduced further to £40k if successful.

Cllr Moyle asked if the vote could be delayed until more councillors were present. Clerk replied that the deadline for the application is next Friday so there isn't time. Cllr Moyle requested a name recorded vote.

Cllrs were reminded that the parish was not committing any money to spend now; the money would need to be put in place if the application is successful in December 2026. The application currently is at the Expression of Interest stage. Cllr Biggin stated that the aims of this year's CIL fund are perfectly matched to this project and the parish would be unlikely to have such a good chance, with a fund this large, again in the near future.

Cllr Potter asked Cllr Biggin for the dispensation form. Cllr Potter noted there are five Cllrs voting tonight if Cllr Biggin doesn't vote. Cllr Potter thinks that the dispensation request should be accepted. Cllr Shepherd said he doesn't feel it sits right as she is so invested in the project. Cllr Moyle commented it's not for her personal benefit. Cllr Stabbins believes she should vote. Cllr Moyle asked again if the vote could be delayed to another meeting when there are more than 5 Cllrs that could vote? Cllr Potter replies no. Cllr Moyle states that the council should move to vote.

Cllr Potter said it's a large number but didn't think it was unaffordable as already allocating that much to the JPF a year which would cover the repayments plus leave money leftover. Therefore...

Proposed Cllr Potter, Seconded Cllr Stabbins, Resolved to commit to the required match funding which stands at £60k to underwrite the CIL EOI application. Cllr Biggin voted in favour. Cllrs Moyle and Shepherd are against. Cllr Whibley abstained.

There is then a discussion of whether Cllr Biggin's vote is allowed. Cllr Potter stated that the result is 2-2 with one abstain. Clerk stated that if Cllr Biggin's vote counts the result is 3-2 with one abstain.

Cllr Potter stated that the council needs to defer to an extraordinary meeting to sort it out and needs to seek the advice of Cllr Mason. Cllr Moyle stated that he asked multiple times to defer this to an extraordinary meeting and he was told that wasn't possible. The Clerk stated she believes Cllr Biggin's vote stands. Cllr Potter said he doesn't because he didn't hold the vote on the dispensation because a few members said it wasn't appropriate. He didn't use his casting vote as the abstain made it not equal.

Cllr Whibley asked if another meeting should be scheduled to look at how to tailor the project to the finances of the council. Cllr Shepherd agreed and this started a discussion about how to reduce the project costs.

Cllr Potter stated he doesn't want to keep pushing it in this meeting as to get a result that feels either way. He stated to Cllr Biggin and the rest of the meeting 'it's not a no but its not a yes either.'

Cllrs agreed to, in the next ten days, arrange an extraordinary meeting to see if a lesser or different amount can be voted on. An extraordinary meeting can result in a vote but the same thing cannot be voted on again.

2. **Vote** to use existing CIL reserves within the parish council of £10.5k for application as match funding

Proposed Cllr Potter, Seconded Cllr Shepherd, RESOLVED to use existing CIL reserves within the parish council of £10.5k for application as match funding. All in favour.

3. **Vote** that with regards to the Mawnan Park Forest for Cornwall grant the parish council will delegate an increased spending power to the clerk and 2 other councillors to spend monies for the grant up to £2,532.72 (the value of the grant) without needing to ask the entire council.

Proposed Cllr Stabbins, Seconded Cllr Shepherd, RESOLVED to delegate an increased spending power to the clerk and two other councillors to spend monies for the grant up to £2,532.72 (the value of the grant) without needing to ask the entire council. All in favour.

2526.220 CLERK'S UPDATE AND ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM PAST MINUTES NOT ON THE CURRENT AGENDA

1. Signs on road to Maenporth on corner where turning to Old Church Road is- Road is now open so no need. There have been signs in the interim since the last meeting.
2. Carwinion Playing Field Masterplan Public Engagement Event on Friday 23rd January was a success and over 40 people attended throughout the day. The masterplan has now been delivered and project finished. Admin now being done.
3. SID is now working again 7am-7pm but it is not possible to put it on stealth mode at night and working during the day. It is one or the other.

Cllr Potter enquired about the SID being moved and clerk stated she was still waiting for confirmation form 1 Lowenna Fields.

2526.221 REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL WARD MEMBER Anna Thomason- Kenyon

See report

Clerk stated that Cllr has confirmed she can submit an additional application to the CHIP for a speed calming measure. Cllrs need to think about what they would like her to submit.

2526.222 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM CORNWALL COUNCIL BY DATE OF THIS MEETING

1. **PA26/00496 Land North Of Mannshone Penwarne Road** Permission in Principle for proposed erection of 9 dwellings (5 affordable) (minimum of 9, maximum of 9).

The clerk informed the council that the planning officer ideally would like comments by the 23rd so she can make a decision. Local residents have lobbied the MP and the County Councillor for an extension which they are supporting.

Cllrs discussed this application and raised a number of points;

- a) The damage done to the Penwarne wood and main road by the recent Storm Goretti is a concern considering any future development. The application would've been submitted prior to the storm.
- b) The Cllrs are sympathetic to the local residents being without internet since Storm Goretti until very recently (some properties are still not online) so many were not aware of the application nor had they seen the notices. Consequently they have been made aware of it late into the consultation window. There were a number of local residents at the meeting voicing their concerns. They stated there are a lot more objections to come and feel blindsided. "A lot more comment is out there that hasn't been made because they haven't been able to".
- c) There have been previous applications on this site that have both been refused.
- d) Concerns focused around whether there is a proven need for additional housing in the parish along with suitability of the site.
- e) The houses are on a 40 mph road and vehicles would come in and out onto this road. The plan doesn't appear to show any turning spaces in the driveway which could mean reversing onto a main road with blind bends. The applicant has stated that Highways could consider extending the 30mph zone to the north of the application site further south so it covers the road where the houses would be located. Cllrs agree that is a Highways issue so can only consider only the application under the current speed limit. Cllrs point out access would be needed to each property not just by smaller domestic vehicles but also by oil delivery, trucks, vans etc.
- f) There is no pavement and the road is dangerous to pedestrians. The bus stop means people need to walk on the main road, there is no safe cycle route and no shops or amenities for a mile and a half in Mawnan Smith or Argal Farm Shop the other way. The development, from the outline submitted, looks very uniform which is not like the other properties along the road which this development would be essentially becoming part of.
- g) A positive is that there is a contribution for the Fal and Helford SAC.
- h) It's not in the catchment area for the primary school, which is already full.
- i) A member of the public (MoP) who was involved with the NDP spoke and said the location in question was classified as a rural exception site. He was also insistent that Penwarne is not a settlement so the development can't be considered infill.
- j) When the NDP was ratified in 2022 there was no need to identify land for future development which does present as a weakness for the parish in the current climate. It leaves decisions completely down to planning officers without the evidenced resource of the NDP.
- k) Another member of the public said that Mawnan Parish Council supported the original application which was confirmed by a sitting councillor. The MoP claimed it

didn't get planning permission because the housing needs numbers didn't support it.

- l) An MoP asked where the council is going to put the local needs housing in the village and asked Cllrs to support it. This prompted a discussion about how hard it is for local people in villages like Mawnan Smith. One Cllr stated he'd been on the Parish Council for 35 years and there had never been any social housing built in that time. Unless someone has been left a house there is very little chance. This development is an opportunity to have a piece of ground which can be used to help the shortage. It's not a great place but where is a good place? No development stigmatises local people. Everyone has a car so it's not always good to judge it on the sustainable transport angle.
- m) Cllrs appreciated the detail isn't there yet but suggested whether there could be one entrance for multiple houses? A Cul de sac design so all cars come and go in one entrance. This gives room for delivery vans etc. This made sense to all Cllrs.
- n) Cllrs thought a traffic management plan needed to be put in place if the development was to go ahead to full planning.
- o) Cllrs felt they can't make a decision if the request for an extension and for people to make their feelings known has gone to the MP and the Councillor and think they should align with that. Cllrs want to apply for an extension.

Proposed Cllr Potter, Seconded Cllr Whibley, RESOLVED to ask for an extension aligned with the local residents, MP and county Councillor in asking for a deadline inline and should that not be granted there needs to be another meeting to come to a decision. All in favour.

2. **PA26/00618 Amaryl Penwarne Road** Works to Tree covered by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) - T1 - Turkey Oak - Remove and replace 10m to east with native Sessile Oak.

Cllrs are aware that a lot of Turkey Oak came down in recent storms so understands and supports any needed works and the replacement of Sessile oak.

Proposed Cllr Potter, Seconded Cllr Whibley, RESOLVED to support the application. All in favour.

2526.223 TO RECEIVE A LIST OF PLANNING DECISIONS MADE TO DATE BY CORNWALL COUNCIL

1. **PA25/01067/PRE Land At Gwel An Kastel** - Request for a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) to protect two oaks near the properties of Gwel an Kastel **CLOSED- ADVICE GIVEN**
2. **PA26/00050/PRE Amaryl Penwarne Road** Exception notice for 1x mature Turkey Oak to fell due to storm damage **APPROVED**
3. **PA25/08854 Arrabin Maenporth Road** Construction of detached single story garage with variation of condition 2 of decision notice PA25/02615 dated 27.05.2025 **APPROVED**
4. **PA25/09286 Budock Vean Hotel Budock Vean Lane** Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order, T1 Large Monterey Cypress, reduce a couple of end weighted limbs present growing over neighbouring property to try and prevent failure. T2 Oak, fell tree, on boundary overhanging neighbours property, has lost its top in the past and now consists of overextended branches **APPROVED**

2526.224 UPDATE ON THE FINANCIAL POSITION AND APPROVAL OF THE LIST OF PAYMENTS FOR FEBRUARY

1. **Review** and **agree** monthly figures, payments and bank reconciliation

Proposed Cllr Shepherd, Seconded Cllr Stabbins, RESOLVED to accept the monthly figures and payments and sign reconciliation. All in favour.

2526.225 EMERGENCY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1. **Decide** on members of the Parish Council emergency committee
Cllr Whibley is the only Cllr present who will be on the committee. The Clerk states there are 3 members of a committee needed to be quorate. Cllr Mason has made it known she would be interested and Cllr Morris came to the initial inaugural MEG meeting.

Proposed Cllr Potter, Seconded Cllr Shepherd that, based on the agreement of Cllrs Morris and Mason, the Emergency Committee be formed and members are Cllrs Whibley, Morris and Mason. All in favour.

2. Discuss and **vote** on startup funding for MEG to help pay for meeting room hire, leaflet printing etc.

The Clerk stated that there was around £1000 remaining in the budget for grant funding. The council could agree to meet some expenses for the MEG which can be used for meeting room hire.

Proposed Cllr Potter, Seconded Cllr Whibley, RESOLVED to set aside a £400 grant for expenses. All in favour.

2526.226 ANY OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Lots but nothing urgent!

2526.227 VACANCIES FOR CO-OPTION

Alex Head has lived in area for 12 years and is 7/8 generations Cornish. Self-employed for 20 years; a local businessman who has a child at the preschool and resident of the parish. He loves the area and has a bit more time on his hands at the moment and is keen to become involved. He also states that he has a planning application being submitted in the next month he understands he won't have a vote on but wants to declare it now.

Paul Holloway grew up in Falmouth and took over leasehold of Carwinion House ten years ago. He has become a lot more involved in fundraising for various causes in the village and wants to do more for the area. He used to be a tree surgeon and has worked with National Trust previously.

William Thomas has recently taken over tenancy of Meudon Farm and has a young family living nearby. They are likely to move into the village soon. He is a 4th generation farmer. He wants to be a benefit to the local area and look after the farm as best they can.

The vote was done anonymously with Cllrs writing one name on a piece of paper. The clerk collected them and revealed the answer to the chairman. This process was done twice- once for each councillor position.

Position 1 went to Paul Holloway.

Position 2 went to Alex Head.

The chairman thanked William Thomas for his interest in the position.

2526.228 ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT HAS COME IN SINCE THE AGENDA WENT OUT

The applicant from Goldmartin on Carlidnack Road, with whom the PC have been working with to improve a planning application, was in the room and was keen to know when Cllrs could comment on the amended plans that have gone in. Cllrs discussed and agreed they need more time to look and they will respond to the planning officer via the clerk via email.

2526.229 TO AGREE RESPONSES REQUIRED TO ANY CORRESPONDANCE

1. Ukrainian flag request

Cllrs think it is tricky to find a location as there is no flagpole or place that represents the parish council. The offices are not in a public position so can't be seen.

Proposed Cllr Biggin, Seconded Cllr Stabbins, RESOLVED that in the absence of a flagpole something can be posted on social media. All in favour.

ACTION: Clerk to put Ukraine social media post out on

2526.230 TO RECEIVE INFORMATION AND MAKE DECISIONS ON ANY NOTED ENVIRONMENT ISSUES INCLUDING TRAFFIC, ROADS, FOOTPATHS & COUNTRYSIDE

1. Any CAP, HMVC updates- Cllr Stabbins informed there were no updates as there have been no meetings.
2. The path to Grebe is open. They were quoted £1500 by Cornwall Council to close the road so they did it on the fly with traffic control.
3. Cllr Potter enquired with Cllr Whibley if there was any update on the 'Tank Track' - the proposal PROW to Helford. Cllr Whibley confirmed there was not.
4. Cllr Whibley repeated Footpath 35 needs warning/ caution signs from Cormac.
5. There is now a cleared route through Meudon Woods- there were three fallen trees.

2526.231 MATTERS OF COMMUNITY CONCERN


1. There is an Old Smithy Workshop open Day 14th February 10am-4pm
2. Cornwall Beaver Project- St Martin- looking to find landowners on the Helford as potential sites for beavers to be released. There is a QR code on the leaflet included in the meeting papers and agenda email. The main contact is Chris Jones at Cornwall Beaver Project Oldmcdonald59@gmail.com.
3. Clerk mentioned there has been a complaint about how the hedge has been cut in Mawnan Park. Clerk stated she has responded to say the hedge had been left to grow and was in a bad condition and it will now be trimmed each year and the result will be a much thicker, healthier hedge but it will take time to regrow to the previous height.
4. There has also been a complaint via email about how much litter there is on the verges in Mawnan Smith. Cllrs state they cannot go out in high vis jackets to try and clear this as its dangerous but recommend it is an issue and should be reported to the highways via Cormac.

2526.232 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION AT THE NEXT MEETING

Additional purchasing for crowdfunder monies- see Cllr Biggin email

2526.233 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

17th March 2026 7pm

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 Guy Potter
 Chairman

ITEM list

- 1 Minutes of meeting 20th January 2026
- 2 Minutes of Carwinion Trust meeting 9th Feb 2026
- 3 Minutes of Junior Playing Field Trust meeting 9th Feb 2026
- 4 Mawnan Park CIL Application form
- 5 Mawnan Park CIL powerpoint
- 6 Request to fly Ukrainian Flag
- 7 Beaver Project Email

Current bank balances

- Nationwide £48,343.60
- Current account £22,830.72
- Deposit account £69,327.00
- CPFT £12,635.19
- JPFT £11,408.12

Spending Jan

Item	Cost Centre	Supplier	What	VAT £	Total £	Paid?
223	JPF inspection	SWPSi	Dec JPF inspection	9	54.00	Y
211	Toilets- Utility Charges	WaterPlus	Dec Water charges		92.11	Y
213	Toilets Electric	YU Energy	Dec invoice	0.38	7.95	Y
220	IT support	Objective IT services	Dec support	27.44	164.64	Y
238	Bank charges	Lloyds	Account charges		4.25	Y
221	Phone and Internet	BT	Phone and internet Nov/Dec	6.99	41.96	Y
222	Toilet Cleaning	Passmore	Dec Charge	65.00	390.00	Y
242	Office Admin	Adobe	Acrobat Pro	3.33	19.97	Y
218	Carwinion Playing Field Project	Mei Loci	Final instalment CCF project 90% paid	299.20	1795.20	Y
217	Storage	We Store	2026 charges	39.60	237.60	Y
219	Green spaces	R Sanders	Dec cut	105.00	630.00	Y
216	Subscriptions	Starboard Systems	Scribe 2026	116.06	696.38	Y

215	Training	CALC	Finance Cllr Shepherd	7.00	42.00	Y
214	Legal	ICO	Data Protection Fee		47.00	Y
212	Junior Playing Field	Wynnstay	New fence posts, spikes, washers	16.26	97.52	Y
231	Carwinion Playing Field CCF project	Royal Mail	Survey freepost returns envelopes	2.72	16.32	Y
230	Graveyard Maintenance	Robbie's garden services	Dec maintenance + extra cut + leaf clearance		634.00	Y
228	Office Electric	Memorial Hall	Sept- Dec	10.40	218.34	Y
229	Post Office	Memorial Hall	Sept- Dec		540	Y
227	Meeting Room hire	Memorial Hall	Sept- Dec		156.00	Y
226	Clerk Salary	Melissa Mercer	Wages Dec hours		1296.49	Y
225	Clerk and PC Pension contribution	NEST	Clerk £73.75 PC contribution £103.25		177.00	Y
224	Clerk PAYE and NI	HMRC	PAYE and NI		104.76	Y
232	Grants	Mawnan Memorial Hall	Grant for new cooker hood		399.99	Y
233	Grants	Mawnan Community Garden	Grant for cordless strimmer		314.00	Y
234	Grants	Mawnan Cricket Club	Grant for lining and roof repair		789.00	Y
235	Grants	Friends of Abbeyfield	Grant towards armchairs		500.00	Y
236	Office Supplies	Tesco	Printer Ink	4.33	26.00	Y
237	JPF Project	Travis Perkins	Spikes for fence post repairs to fence	4.20	25.20	Y
239 + 241	Postages	Post Office	Stamps for Crowdfunder thank you letters		68	Y
240	Paper	Tragoes	Paper for Crowdfunder thank you letters	2.83	16.97	Y
243	Office Supplies	Mapilab	Mail Merge Toolkit	4.69	28.13	Y
244	Office supplies	Spar	Milk for Carwinion Consultation Event		1.69	Y
			Total	£724.43	£8334.29	

Receipts Jan

Item	Cost Centre	Supplier	What	VAT £	Total £
R35	Mawnan Park Nature Garden Crowdfunder	Crowdfunder CCNF match	5th payment of raised funds		4700.00
R36	Mawnan Park Nature Garden Crowdfunder	Crowdfunder	Donation pay out		48.08
R37	JPF Project	Wynnstay Helston	Fence Spike refund as can't supply them	7.20	43.20
			Total	7.20	£4791.28

Payments/ To approve for January

Item	Cost Centre	Supplier	What	VAT £	Total £	Paid?
246	JPF inspection	SWPSi	Sept, Nov and Jan JPF inspection	27	162	N
245	Toilets- Utility Charges	WaterPlus	Jan Water charges		92.81	Y
251	Toilets Electric	YU Energy	Jan invoice	0.45	9.38	Y
250	IT support	Objective IT services	Jan support	27.44	164.64	N
TBC	Bank charges	Lloyds	Account charges		4.25	N
TBC	Phone and Internet	BT	Phone and internet Dec/Jan N.B no bill yet- downtime due to storm damage may be impacting billing	6.99	41.96	N
249	Toilet Cleaning	Passmore	Jan Charge	65.00	390.00	N
TBC	Office Admin	Adobe	Acrobat Pro	3.33	19.97	N
247	Junior Playing Field	SK Contracting	Removal of play equipment	370	2220.00	N
248	JPF bin collection	Biffa	Jan- Mar bin collection	62.05	372.28	N
TBC	Green spaces	R Sanders	Jan cut	TBC	TBC	N
255	Clerk Salary	Melissa Mercer	Wages Jan hours		1352.72	N
253	Clerk and PC Pension contribution	NEST	Clerk £79.05 PC contribution £110.67		189.72	Y
254	Clerk PAYE and NI	HMRC	PAYE and NI		149.24	N
252	Land Registry Searches	Land Registry	Ownership search		14.00	Y
			Total	£562.26	£5182.97	

County Councillor Report – Anna Thomason-Kenyon

Division: Mabe, Mawnan & Constantine

Date of Report: 17th February 2026

Parish Council: Mawnan

Reporting Period: 20th January 2026 to 17th February 2026

County Councillor Statement – Mabe, Mawnan & Constantine Division

Chair, Councillors, and Residents,

Over the past months I have been working hard behind the scenes across Mabe, Mawnan and Constantine on a wide variety of issues raised by residents. This has included progressing multiple Highways matters — from supporting Mawnan’s school-crossing CHIP submission and exploring village-gateway and speed-reduction options with Highways officers, to helping residents resolve footpath and access concerns in both Mabe and Constantine. I have secured clarity and action on several complex planning issues, including TPO queries, urgent tree-removal and safety cases, and the Mabe Open Space highways-safety dispute, ensuring the right officers engaged with the parish to move matters forward.

I have also supported residents by coordinating responses to policing incidents in Mabe, following up concerns about developer activity and S278 works affecting Coronation Cottages, and assisting with funding requests such as Community Chest support for local groups including Gleaning Cornwall. Alongside this, I continue to produce detailed parish reports, attend parish meetings, and carry out heritage and policy research to strengthen the community’s position in planning matters. Although much of this work happens quietly in the background, it remains focused on securing meaningful resolutions and strong, consistent representation for residents across my whole division.

Update on Cornwall Council Vote: Trial by Jury Motion

At our last Full Council meeting, I voted in favour of Cllr Kevin Towill’s motion to protect the principle of trial by jury — a motion that all four members of our CING group stood behind with conviction. In the weeks leading up to the meeting, residents shared with me concerns about the erosion of long-standing legal safeguards, worries about losing fairness and transparency in the justice system, and fears that vulnerable people could be left with fewer protections. Many also

expressed unease about reforms being driven by efficiency rather than justice, urging us to defend the safeguards that uphold public trust.

None of us in the chamber that day could have known it would be the last time we would sit together at full council and that it would be the final time we would see Kevin. His dedication to this cause, and to his community, is now part of his lasting legacy.

Community Highways Improvement Programme (CHIP) – Update

I'd like to provide a brief update on the Community Highways Improvement Programme (CHIP).

I fully support — and am aware that the Parish Council has submitted — an Expression of Interest for improvements to the school crossing, backed by survey data and VAS speed information. I also want to be absolutely clear that I have **not** drafted or submitted any separate proposal for village gateways, clearer signage, or dragon's-teeth markings. At this stage, I have only explored these potential measures in early, informal discussions with Cornwall Council Highways and our CAP Officer. This was simply to understand what might be viable should the Parish Council wish me to take anything forward.

My intention throughout has been to act in the best interests of Mawnan residents and to support the Parish Council's wider aims. Nothing will progress without your formal agreement. These potential speed-reduction measures are designed to complement — not replace — the Parish Council's school-crossing submission. Should wider speed-management interventions be funded first, they would still provide safety benefits around the school while also strengthening the evidence base for the Parish Council's crossing proposal in future funding rounds.

Potholes and Road Repair Update

Cornwall has experienced its wettest January on record, alongside multiple named storms, creating unprecedented pressure on the road network. Highways teams are currently repairing over 340 potholes each day, with more than 4,500 defects reported across Cornwall (some being duplicates). Because road surfaces remain saturated, many repairs must be temporary until conditions improve; permanent,

long-lasting repairs will resume once surfaces dry and the current backlog is cleared, which is expected by around May.

Crews are working around the clock, additional inspectors have been deployed, and further resources are being reallocated to speed up recovery. Residents are encouraged to continue reporting potholes via the Council's online system so that defects are logged and prioritised.

Highways officers have confirmed that the scale of damage is being worsened by exceptional rainfall and waterlogged ground, which makes permanent repairs impossible in many locations. Cormac had already begun shifting towards more durable, proactive repair methods, but the recent weather has temporarily forced a return to reactive patching. Teams aim to return to proactive resurfacing by late spring, and are reviewing communication improvements — such as marking temporary pothole fixes clearly — to help residents understand what work has been completed and what remains outstanding.

For Mawnan specifically, this means:

- Temporary patching may re-fail faster due to saturated ground.
- Permanent resurfacing will only be possible once the roads stabilise, likely late spring.
- Response times may be slower because Highways crews are prioritising dangerous defects and tree-related blockages.
- Reporting defects remains essential, as Highways can only act on potholes logged through the online system.

These challenges highlight why Mawnan's rural network is taking longer to restore and why residents may continue to see temporary fixes until the county-wide backlog is cleared and weather conditions improve.

Closing Acknowledgements

Before closing, I would like to express my sincere thanks to **Shiona Biggin** for her thoughtful letter acknowledging the Community Chest contribution towards the **Morning Park Nature Garden Crowdfunder**. It was a pleasure to support such a positive community project, and her appreciation meant a great deal.

I would also like to thank **Niall Murphy**, Trustee of the Mawnan Smith Great War Memorial Hall, for his kind update and letter of thanks regarding their Community Chest grant application. His message outlining the challenges they overcame and the progress they have now made was both encouraging and greatly appreciated.

Receiving these acknowledgements is genuinely heartening, and I am grateful to be able to support initiatives that strengthen our communities across Mabe, Mawnan and Constantine.

I will continue to report, follow up, and take prompt action on any issues raised within my division, ensuring that residents across Mabe, Mawnan and Constantine receive timely support and clear communication.

My warmest regards,

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Action Notes

Meeting	Falmouth and Penryn Community Area Partnership (CAP)
Date and time	13 January 2026 (6.30-8.45pm)
Location	Microsoft Teams
Attendance and apologies	See attendance list attached

Item	Notes
1.	<p>Introduction and Welcome The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. All present at the meeting and online introduced themselves.</p>
2.	<p>Declaration Of Interests No interests were declared.</p>
3.	<p>Public Participation There was no public participation.</p>
4.	<p>Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust <u>Neighbourhood Health and the NHS 10 year plan</u> Derek Thomas, Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust provided a presentation and update on the Neighbourhood Health and NHS 10 Year Plan. The Presentation can be viewed here: NHS Neighbourhood Health Presentation</p> <p>Questions/Answers/Comments: Q. Are all GP Practices using Brave AI? A. Yes, but for people to be part of our Integrated Neighbourhood Team Transformation Programme and bid for funding they have to have signed up to Brave AI. Falmouth and Penryn are using it already and it is being used as a Primary Care Network (PCN) so GP Practices will be able to use it.</p> <p>Q. Does Brave AI scan the whole of a person's profile? A. The Commissioning Support Unit undertake the data profiling, and it can be asked different questions. Every PCN can ask it a different set of questions and our focus at present is on frailty and the older population. Currently looking at how to protect and work with people deemed as frail and over 65 and not in crisis, from becoming in crisis.</p> <p>Q. Regarding Ageing Well, I understand it's a needs assessment orientated model. Who decides the needs and how, and how is this linked to Brave AI? A. The Multi Agency Teams review with people what their needs are and where and how they would wish to receive their care and this should be guided by individuals and their loved ones. The Dracaena Centre deliver early help support in an integrated multi agency way.</p> <p>Comment: In relation to Preferred Place of Death (PPOD) this can be quite a fearsome task for individuals and loved ones to face up to. Empowering people to make these choices can provide a spiritual comfort to them, as well as the bereaved. I would encourage everyone to face up to this.</p> <p>Q. I am missing the preventative approach. There seems to be no preventative treatment, medication or dental care? With age, dental care becomes so important as it can lead to a poor diet and gastric issues.</p>

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A. We have received feedback from other teams that there is not enough focus on mental health and younger people as well. Ideally, we would want to ensure we cover everything including dental and preventative agendas. In regard to the preventative agenda, totally agree we need to be doing more in that space, but this is a starting point. We are doing some work around metabolic health focusing on diabetes in particular and how to support people to move out of diabetes into a healthy space. Working with colleagues in Active Cornwall to support people to 'get moving' and working with local voluntary organisations with a similar ethos. Dental care is really challenging as commissioning for the Neighbourhood Teams is separate.

Falmouth Community Hospital

Tamsyn Anderson, Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust provided feedback regarding Falmouth Hospital to CAP Members.

Continue to have a provisional date sometime in May when the hospital may have heating works underway.

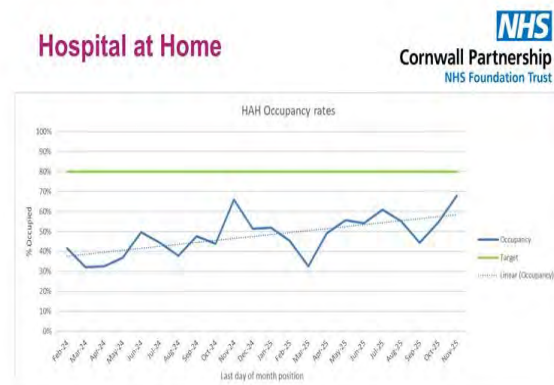
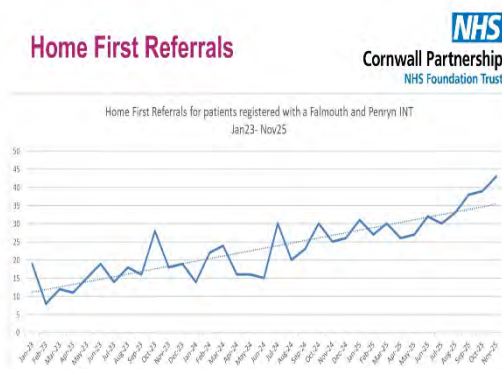
We are part of the model of care that sits alongside the reform programmes that Derek touched on, around what is the support offer for people in their own homes, end of life support and death plan which are all so important for people and families.

The recent storm has been a huge challenge and has tested our plan this last week. It has put our services through their paces with some responding well and others needing work to improve. Looking how to best support vulnerable people when they lose their utilities (electricity/gas/water) and have no heating and water etc. This has been a huge learning curve and has highlighted the gaps that need to be addressed.

Questions/Answers/Comments:

Q. One of the big problems of getting a person back into their home, or keeping them there when there is no family to provide support, inadequate housing etc. How will this be overcome?

A. There has been an increase in people in the Falmouth area being cared for in their own home with a number of reablement services involved with the focus on keeping people as independent as possible. The reablement services support people home from hospital as soon as possible and re able them.



The Hospital at Home slide refers to county wide occupancy but is going up across the board as there is a rise in the Hospital to Home Service.

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	<p>Q. ER explained that each CAP area has an action plan to help deliver priorities of which one is Health & Wellbeing. What do you feel could go into the action plan that Town & Parish Councils and other organisations that attend the CAP could help support with the aims and ambitions that you have?</p> <p>A. The Comms Team undertake lots of community engagement events to identify what people are telling us and want and would like to see these included in the CAP action plans in terms of supporting, attending and promoting these.</p> <p>We are really keen to hear from a broader range of people, especially younger people. Education is key and helping people understand where they can get the treatment, they need closest to home as people don't always need to see a GP.</p> <p>The more we can share and communicate with you, the more the CAP can help get people involved and make a real difference to our communities.</p> <p>Comment: 99% of the village I live in lost power during the storm and a Community Centre opened up to offer food, drinks, a place to charge devices and showers etc. Community Hubs are so important and need to be supported, especially in case of an emergency.</p> <p>Community Emergency Planning for local communities is high on the agenda at present following the storm.</p> <p>Mabe Parish Council has a robust Emergency Plan in place, and it was suggested this could be shared to highlight good practice and support other Parishes to develop a plan.</p> <p>A concern was raised regarding how people are identified as being vulnerable in their local community as it can very much depend on the situation. The Utility Companies have their Vulnerable/Priority Customer lists and people might be identified through a health/medical need but in an emergency such as the storm others might be in a vulnerable position too.</p> <p>Tamsyn Anderson responded and agreed that although companies and organisations have their lists, people still fall through the net. Brave AI will really support with segmentation and stratification and help identify who we think could be at risk.</p>
5.	<p>Updates from other local health services</p> <p>Siobhan Florence, Dracaena Centre provided an update on the Community Health & Wellbeing Workers Service (CHWWs) which is based at the Dracaena Centre.</p> <p>There is a lot of partnership work happening at the Dracaena Centre which makes it a well-known local community hub for a lot of local people.</p> <p>Through the PCN there is a Wellbeing Team onsite but in a separate building and this is funded by the NHS. They work with the 4 local GP Surgeries and take referrals. If a person is struggling with their mental health or wellbeing they can see/speak to their GP and ask for a referral straight to the Wellbeing Team. Patients attend through a referral and are then triaged and assigned to the relevant Health & Wellbeing Coach. It's very much a holistic approach to help support a person with various issues that may be attributing to their poor mental health or wellbeing. They can also be signposted to other services that can provide support such as Housing, Drug & Alcohol Teams etc.</p> <p>The CHWWs is quite a new project going into its 3rd year in March. For information on this service please follow the link: Community Health and Wellbeing Workers - Volunteer Cornwall</p>

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	<p>Both projects are funded through the NHS with the Wellbeing Team through the PCN. The project has clearly demonstrated the need for the service and the funding for this is looking sustainable.</p> <p>The CHWW project is also funded by the NHS, but the funding comes to Volunteer Cornwall who then divide it out to the various Community Hubs who directly employ the workers.</p> <p>Zoe Woods, CC Family Hub Area Coordinator provided an introduction to the Family Hub at The Park and The Lighthouse on Old Hill.</p> <p>The Park will be moving to the old Grammar School, Tregenvor Road, Falmouth in mid-February. The Hubs work very closely with the Dracaena Centre and Healthy Cornwall. The Family Help Team will signpost to relevant services. Maternity services are gradually integrating into the hubs, and the Health Visitors are based there too, and this supports people to start building networks in their local community.</p>
6.	<p>CAP Action Plan & Sub-groups update</p> <p>Esther Richmond provided feedback to the CAP from the Transport and Connectivity sub-group and Community Highways Improvement Programme.</p> <p>There was a meeting yesterday of the CAP Transport and Connectivity sub-group with constructive conversations. A representative from University of Exeter attended and talked about their sustainability travel plans and the monitoring work they have been undertaking looking at how people travel, the mode of transport used and the distance travelled. It is hoped to have updated active travel information available for students and other people moving to have an awareness of what public services are available so there is not a reliance on cars.</p> <p>Active travel was one area discussed creating a wish list of potential projects needed for transport and connectivity within the CAP area should there be any funding opportunities available.</p> <p>Discussed the Beryl Bikes and the frequency of use - Cllr Evans is currently linking in with the scheme in terms of the journeys travelled etc.</p> <p>Also talked about improving connectivity and public rights of way as well as local planning developments needing to take connectivity in consideration.</p> <p>Reliance of EV Charging Points – can the National Grid accommodate additional need.</p> <p>Community Highways Improvement Programme (CHIP) – a sum of money allocated to this CAP area over a 3-year period and each of the Town & Parishes and Cornwall Councillors have been asked to make one submission in what improvements they would like to see. To date 6 submissions have been received.</p>
7.	<p>Smartphone Free Schools</p> <p>Emily Hudson, Regional Leader for Smartphone Free Childhood in Cornwall and Isles of Scilly provided a presentation on Smartphone Free Schools which can be viewed here: Smartphone Free Schools Presentation</p> <p>PC Paul Stevenson, Youth Police Officer for the Falmouth & Penryn area spoke about the importance of the project and how everybody has a duty to safeguard young people. He explained that he is involved in issues on a daily basis of bullying and abuse that takes place online using a smartphone. PC Stevenson delivers internet safety and internet law to schools right across the age groups and the content young people are saying they are viewing is horrendous and of great concern. This conversation needs to be promoted to all schools to try and promote change to protect young people.</p>

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	<p>Rosie, a Cornwall Council Youth Council Representative provided the view of the Youth Council's on the initiative.</p> <p>The Youth Council had a debate on this issue at a recent Youth Council Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last year at Redruth School there was a lock down due to a student being threatened. The students at the time didn't know what was happening and if they were in danger and were using their smartphones to message family members sending what they thought could perhaps be their last message. This enabled them to keep family updated as the incident progressed. • Concerns were raised that banning smartphones wouldn't necessarily stop bullying and that it could then turn more physical. Some of the Youth Council members had either seen or been subject to the fights themselves. • Teachers can have phones, and this isn't setting a good example. • Safety concerns – getting to and from school and managing public transport or walk home without a smartphone could be dangerous or challenging. <p>There was a discussion regarding the use of smartphones in school.</p> <p>Eveleen Riordan, CC Service Director, Education and Community Health clarified that schools do have some autonomy in this, and each Head Teacher and Governing Body sets its own policy. While other professionals or voluntary organisations may be able to advise schools, the decision is down to each school individually. All schools in Cornwall operate some form of mobile free approach during school hours but there are different models within this. From a statutory perspective there isn't a mandated national ban at present but there is a strong political rhetoric and guidance that encourages restrictions on mobile/smartphone use among children and young people. We should also be listening to the voices of young people and their view. Children of today have grown up in a world of digital technology and mobile/smartphones and don't know any different.</p> <p>Cllr Jackie Walkden, Falmouth Town Councillor and Dean Evans, CC Penryn agreed to ask both Town Councils if they would agree to a meeting with the Falmouth and Penryn Head Teachers asking them to consider their school becoming smartphone free.</p>
10.	<p>Date of Next Meeting 24th March 2026</p> <p>Focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young People Priority • Falmouth & Penryn CAP Strategy

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Falmouth & Penryn Community Area Partnership - Attendance List¹

Representatives		
Cornwall Councillor	Electoral Division	Record of Attendance
ClIrr Anna Thomason-Kenyon CC	Constantine, Mabe and Mawnan	Present
ClIrr Alan Rowe	Falmouth Penwerris	Absent
ClIrr David Saunby CC	Falmouth Trescobeas & Budock	Apologies
ClIrr Laurie Magowan CC	Falmouth Arwenack	Absent
ClIrr Debra Clegg CC	Falmouth Boslowick	Apologies
ClIrr Ruth Gripper CC	Mylor, Perranarworthal and Ponsanooth	Present
ClIrr Dean Evans CC	Penryn	Present
Town & Parish Councillor	Parish / Town Council (NR = Named representative)	
John Bastin	Budock Parish Council (NR)	Present
Phil Burnett	Budock Parish Council	Present
Jon Stowell	Falmouth Town Council (NR)	Absent
Jackie Walkden	Falmouth Town Council	Present
Rachel Killick	Mylor Parish Council (NR)	Absent
Barbara Hewett-Silk	Mabe Parish Council (NR)	Absent
Bea Galke	Mabe Parish Council	Present
Paul Simmons	Mabe Parish Council	Present
Manice Stabbins	Mawnan Parish Council (NR)	Present
Ashley Bridges	Perranarworthal Parish Council (NR)	Absent
Darren Willcocks	Ponsanooth Parish Council (NR)	Apologies
Sinead Hanks	Penryn Town Council (NR)	Apologies
Chris Painter	Constantine Parish Council (NR)	Present
Representatives from other Organisations/Members of the Public		
Stuart Douglas	Perranwell Community Speedwatch	Apologies
Anna Brown	Falmouth University	Absent
Catriona Taylor	University of Exeter	Absent
David Ronchetti	Walking and Cycling Group	Absent
Kate Springfield	Dracaena Centre	Absent
Siobhan Florence	Dracaena Centre	Present
Matthew Thomson	Pendennis Leisure	Absent
Inspector Rick Milburn	Devon & Cornwall Police	Absent
PC Paul Stevenson	Devon & Cornwall Police	Present
Kirstie Edwards	Voluntary Sector Forum	Absent
Derek Thomas	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust	Present
Tamsyn Anderson	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust	Present
Emma Hart	Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust	Present
Rosie	Youth Council	Apologies
Emily Hudson	Smartphone Free Childhood	Present
Claire Lewis	Smartphone Free Childhood	Present
Cornwall Council Officers		
Esther Richmond	Community Link Officer	Present
Nikki Drewett	Community Support Assistant	Present
Eveleen Riordan	Service Director, Education and Community Health	Present
Marie Kerr	Chief People Officer	Apologies
Katie Ruddock	Children's Rights Participation Worker	Present
Zoe Woods	Area Family Hub Coordinator	Present

¹ Attendance record based on register signed by representatives at the meeting or apologies sent.