

LANTEGLOS-BY-FOWEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD

ON TUESDAY 24TH MARCH 2026 @ 7.00PM

IN POLRUAN VILLAGE HALL

1. Present: Cllrs Kelly, Talling, Pyke, Clare-Dunbavand, Ainley, Adams, Bunt, Hawa, Palmer and Cllr Rooney (Chair)
2. Chairman's welcome and public. There were no reports from members of the public.
3. Outside Authorities / Bodies. Members to receive reports from outside authorities as follows:
 - County Councillor Report – Cllr Jim Candy apologised for his late arrival but had sent a written report ahead of the meeting to the clerk. In his report he outlined his attendance at the Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 11th March 2026 where he pointed out the rurality and isolation of Lanteglos and the access issues caused by the river, and deprivation in the Parish.
He reported the decision on car parks had been made and that Kit Hill and those car parks on the Camel Trail will not see charges introduced. The 2-3 hour parking slot had been removed, despite his campaign to see it maintained. The Just Park app will need less to be loaded on it, £35 not £50, it gives significant discounts, I think only £1.95 to park all day in Millpool. [JustPark Wallet - Cornwall Council](#).
The pothole backlog stands at 5,296 currently on the Cornwall Council system. However nearly 400 per day are being fixed, with the number reported dropping due to better weather. He stressed the need to continue reporting these through the portal.
As stated previously, the visit by the Housing Portfolio Holder is being arranged, with a visit to 27-28 Greenbank.
 - South-East Cornwall CAP. No report.
 - Police PCSO Cocks. From 01/02/2026 – 28/02/2026 there were 4 crimes inc. 1 assault & 3 x harassment crimes. With the rising cost of oil, he advises everyone who uses heating or other fuel to make sure that any storage tanks are locked & secure.
 - Fowey Port User Group. No report.

4. Apologies: Cllr Beresford

5. Members declarations:

- a. Pecuniary/Registerable Declarations of Interests. None.
- b. Non-registerable Interests. None.
- c. Declaration of Gifts. None.
- d. Dispensations. None.

6. Minutes of meetings:

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7. Planning Applications: Members considered the following.

- a. PA25/08912 Proposed alterations to roof to form gable ends and increase ridge to match the heights part of the existing roof with variation of conditions 1 and 2 of decision notice PA23/07168 dated 30.11.2025. Ferry Climb Townsend Polruan Fowey Cornwall PL23 1QH

The parish council discussed this and felt that the resubmitted landscape plans 5th March 2026 PA25/08912 AL100 to AL103 and AL110 provide more detailed and acceptable landscaping aligning with the original agreed landscaping plan PA23/07168 (drawing 1109) which was agreed as part of Condition 2 of that application. Lanteglos-by-Fowey parish council has no objection providing Condition 1 and 2 of application PA23/07168 are upheld with AL100 to AL103 and AL110 made as a variation to Condition 2 in application PA25/08912.

Condition 2 as per application PA23/07168 and the reason is as follows: In the interests of visual amenity in accordance with the aims and intentions of Policy 12 and 23 of the Cornwall Local Plan Strategic Policies 2010 to 2030 (adopted November 2016).

In addition, the parish council requested a further condition that no further development is allowed on the entire site.

Before making a final decision, the parish council request the Planning Officer obtains more detail on the structure shown on the east side of the garden and circled on the diagram as no annotation is provided. There is a concern this could be septic tank in which case the position and drainage would be an issue.

Whilst the parish council does not object to the updated plans providing that they are included as a condition, all other concerns outlined in the parish council's objection to PA25/ 08912 submitted on January 14th 2026 remain. In the event of conditions not being included then the parish council reserves the right to object.

- b. PA26/01223 No. 20 St Saviours Hill Polruan Fowey Cornwall PL23 1PR
Replacement of roof including increase in height to create loft rooms along with conversion of garage (Case Officer Josep Sandercock)

The parish council is concerned that the loss of the garage to accommodation which could be used as a holiday rental may lead to parking overspill onto St Saviours Hill causing obstruction and congestion.

- c. PA26/01453 Kingfisher House Greenbank Polruan Fowey Cornwall PL23 1QP Replacement balcony and side entrance balustrade (Case Officer Josep Sandercock)
No comment from the parish council.

8. Other planning matters:

Social Housing Allocation. Cllr Candy is continuing to work towards organising a meeting with the Portfolio Manager for an inspection of 27/28 Greenbank. At the same time, along with members of the parish council, they will inspect the Winklepicker and other housing assets which require attention. Cllr Rooney asked for a week's notice for the meeting if possible. Cllr Adams mentioned a property in Channel View that had been repeatedly reported over the last 5 years and Cllr Candy requested that he be contacted directly in respect of this property. He reported to members that Cornwall Housing were aware of the need for the properties to receive maintenance and money has been allocated to deal with this backlog in repair issues. He stressed the importance of tenants contacting him so that he can make representations for the need to make specific improvements.

In respect of Henders Field it was noted that the owner is currently in the village and a meeting has been arranged to meet with her to discuss the possibility of social housing on the site. Councillors will discuss this possibility and Cllr Candy offered to meet with the owner to discuss any assistance he might be able to offer. The clerk pointed out that she had put the owner in contact with Cornwall housing and Cllr Ainley stated that she would follow this up. The question of the suitability of the site for social housing was raised and it was pointed out that there is a need locally and it should be explored further.

The subject of 29 Greenbank and the planning permission being sought. The clerk had not heard directly from the planning officer in answer to the parish council's queries, but Cllr Candy had discussed the concerns of the parish council directly with the planning officer. There is a doubt from the planning department on whether this is permitted development or not in which case planning permission would not be required however there does not seem to be any evidence of the applicant requesting permission from the landlord, Cornwall Council, and this needs to be evidenced before any decision is made.

9. Planning applications approved by CC. For information only.

- a. PA26/00201/PRE 7 Greenbank Polruan Fowey Cornwall PL23 1QP Do I need planning permission to remove a redundant chimney stack and tile over the gap. **CLOSED** advice given
- b. PA26/00254/PRE Pendennick New Road Lanteglos Fowey Cornwall PL23 1LY Exception Notice to fell a pine. **APPROVED**
- c. PA25/09690 23 Ocean View Polruan Fowey Cornwall PL23 1QJ Proposed front porch extension. Proposed enlarged raised balcony with new lower deck and steps. Proposed external improvements and internal alterations **APPROVED**

10. Environmental/Amenity:

Public conveniences.

- i. St Saviours WC's – Clerk to request a quote for a new door on the disabled toilet. It is functioning in the meantime. A request was made that the cleaners do a deep clean of the toilets ready for all of them to be open for Easter weekend.
- ii. Frogmore WC's – The clerk is waiting to hear from British Gas when the meter will be installed. It is in the list.
- iii. The Quay WC's – Cllr Clare-Dunbavand reported that the PTT has made an annual grant to the parish council for a number of years. The refurbishment of the toilets is linked with the work planned for the Winklepicker flat and if the money is secured this work will be undertaken by the PTT and then taken back into their control. The clerk will make a request for the grant to be paid in the meantime. The ladies will be deep cleaned and ready for use by Easter.
- iv. Legionella testing. Mrs Kelly provided water temperatures of 10 degrees.

Healthcare Provision.

- Fowey River Practice and Polruan Surgery. Members were updated by Cllr Clare-Dunbavand on the progress being made by the local community group but stressed the importance of the parish council making separate representations to the ICB. He felt it would be appropriate for the parish council to write and ask for an extension to the consultation period. There should be no doubt of the strength of feeling locally for the continuation of a surgery in Polruan and that the local community will fight to stop the ICB withdrawing the NHS from the locality. In response to the lack of response from Fowey River practice to the clerk's request for sight of their contract with the NHS it was pointed out that a generic contract is used as a template and each practice draws relevant points from that contract. The clerk will request once again a copy of the FRP contract.
- Fowey Hospital. Cllr Rooney updated members that the legal teams are still battling the issue back and forth but that the issue has not been dismissed. Efforts are continuing.
- Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish Council resolved the following in respect of Polruan GP surgery:

Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish Council recognises the crucial importance to the community of maintaining Fowey River Practice's Polruan surgery.

The position of Lanteglos-by-Fowey parish council is that the presence of the outlier surgery in Polruan represents a need that must be met. It is unacceptable to be discussing removing this provision unless adequate mitigation is in place. The responsibility for ensuring this need is met ultimately lies with the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Integrated Care Board. The parish council believes that whatever plans are afoot with health services in Cornwall, involving "hubs", "INT", "PCN" etc, those plans must be adapted to ensure that Polruan's health services are maintained to at least current standards and hopefully expanded. In other words, to ensure that current need is met without detriment to the community on the east side of the Fowey River."

- Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish Council also resolved the following in respect of Polruan GP Surgery:

Lanteglos-by-Fowey Parish Council formally requests that Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Integrated Care Board extends, by six months, the deadline for the consultation on the future of Polruan GP surgery. It has become clear that further negotiation is needed between the community and Fowey River Practice before the matter is formally referred to the ICB."

- Both these motions were passed unanimously.

11. Highway Matters:

- a. Road closures. Bodinnick high street is still closed for repair work.
- b. Road drains or potholes. Members should continue to report these on the portal.
- c. Speeding outside Polruan primary school. We are awaiting further information on whether our application for funding will be accepted.
- d. Dogs and cleaning up after them. The clerk allocated "clean up after your dog" stickers and will request additional ones from the Cornwall council dog officer. She will also request that a public order notice to keep dogs on leads in Polruan be investigated.
- e. Gritt bins and scoops. The clerk reported that she had updated Cornwall council on the location and condition of the grit bins. CC will make sure that the interactive map is updated on the positions of the bins and refill them ahead of next winter. The clerk will then place a scoop in each bin. She pointed out that any damaged bins will not be filled and will need to be replaced at the expense of the parish council. Cllrs Talling and Bunt will empty the water out of the bin in Bodinnick so that it can be refilled.

12. Administrative matters.

Registration of Whitecross Green. The clerk reported on the latest update from the legal team of the cost of registering a part of the public highway to the parish council and members agreed to omit this section from the registration and accept the remaining part of the village green that had now been registered to the parish council. Clerk to update the council's wishes to the legal team accordingly.

Cllr Clare-Dunbavand wished to record his resignation from the council with immediate effect. Cllr Rooney thanked Cllr Clare-Dunbavand for his work and support during his time in office.

13. Financial Matters:

- a. Accounts for Payment. A march payment schedule was presented for payment. The total amount of £2999.00 was agreed for payment.
- b. Bank reconciliation. A copy of the bank reconciliation was circulated.
- c. Budget monitor. A copy of the budget monitor was circulated.
- d. In addition, members agreed that the cost of the repairs to the gate at St John's Church Bodinnick be split 50:50 between St Johns and the parish council.

The financial reports were agreed.

12. Closed session (if applicable).

In view of the special/confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public are excluded and they are instructed to withdraw. Nothing reported on this occasion.

13. Diary dates.

The date of the next meeting 28th April Whitecross village hall. The parish meeting will be held in Polruan village hall on Tuesday 14th April. Guest speakers should keep their presentations to 3 minutes so that all groups can participate fully within the time allocated. The clerk will circulate a list of those groups who have rsvp'd.

14. Meeting closed. 8.40pm.

Signature: (Cllr Rooney)

Chairman

Date: 24th March 2026

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