

DRAFT MINUTES

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Minutes of a Tywardreath and Par Parish Council Meeting held on 5th March 2026 at 7pm at the Methodist Church, Tywardreath

Present Cllrs C Wildish (Chairman), Cllr Oxenham, Cllr Phillips,
Cllr R Rickard, Cllr Truscott, Cllr A Wildish

In attendance The Parish Clerk, Sally Vincent
Cornwall Cllr I Wilson
1 member of the public

25/127 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Cllr Hazeldean, Cllr Hughes

Cllr Taylor had sadly had to resign from the Parish Council for personal reasons.

25/128 Declaration of Interests

1. Pecuniary – None

2. Non Registerable – None

3. Dispensations – Cllr Hughes has been granted a dispensation by the Parish Clerk in any matters pertaining to allotments, effective until 2029.

25/129 Public Questions

None

25/130 Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th February 2026

It was proposed by Cllr A Wildish, seconded Cllr Oxenham and RESOLVED that the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman.

25/131 Matters arising from the minutes not on the Agenda – *for report only*

None

25/132 To receive and note any minutes from Parish Council Committees

Planning – noted

Finance – no report

25/133 Correspondence

Correspondence had been electronically circulated to members and was ‘left on the table’ for Councillors attention.

25/134 Accounts for Approval

Cllr Truscott proposed, Cllr Rickard seconded and it was RESOLVED that payment of accounts totalling £2,898.74 be approved.

25/135 Resolutions from Councillors

None.

25/136 To receive reports from Parish Council Representatives

Par Beach Management Group. In the absence of Cllr Hazeldean, Cllr Wilson reported that the Group was looking to expand its membership and were encouraging targeted people to join. At the last meeting he had been criticized because he had questioned the way the work to remove the invasive species on the dunes had been carried out; he would give a full report about this later in the meeting.

Luxulyan Valley Partnership. The Parish Clerk reported that a meeting to discuss the future of the LVP was scheduled for 19th March.

25/137 Devolution

Cllr C Wildish reported that there were trees down in Polmear Orchard, which hopefully Cornwall Council would deal with before the transfer of ownership was completed. Cllr Wilson agreed to try to facilitate this with Cornwall Council.

In respect of Vine Place, it appeared that Cornwall Council were keen to finalise the devolution before year-end. However, they had advised that they were not prepared to clear the site prior to transfer, instead they had offered the Parish Council a capital sum of £500 to do the work itself. Cllr C Wildish stated that this amount of money would only pay for one skip and it would cost a great deal more than this to undertake the major clearance involved. It was noted that a lot of fly tipping had been left there again and the boat had been moved into a parking space and not removed from the site as requested. Cllr Oxenham questioned the benefit to the community if the Parish Council took on the property. Cllr C Wildish responded that the initial thinking was that it would create a useful green space in the village and the old toilet block could possibly be sold to raise capital to improve the remainder of the site. However, the random and often inappropriate current use of the site was a worry. If designated parking spaces were introduced there would be a business rates liability. Cllr Oxenham replied that he could appreciate the green space would be a benefit to the community, but in his opinion the remainder of the site would be a huge amount of work for little return. Additionally, given CC were not prepared to clear the site prior to transfer a significant financial outlay would have to be dealt with before any other improvements could take place. Cllr Oxenham then proposed that CC should be asked to separate off the toilet block area and devolve that to the Parish Council but that the Parish Council should withdraw its request for the devolution of the rest of the site. This proposal did not find a seconder. Cllr A Wildish proposed that the Parish Council withdraw from the devolution deal for Vine Place altogether. This was seconded by Cllr Rickard and RESOLVED. Voting was unanimous.

25/138 To receive the Cornwall Councillor's Report

Cllr Wilson gave the following report

Scrutiny Committee. In the Sustainable Growth Scrutiny Committee held in New County Hall on Tuesday 3rd March an allegation was made by a member, that "not a word has been heard from the Divisional Member covering Par Beach regarding fighting the proposed introduction of Parking Charges". I would like to put on public record the following: I will not embarrass the member by giving their name here, but, as many will know, I went to

great lengths to encourage everybody to participate in the Public Consultation and I messaged all Parish and Town Councils in my Division to spread the word. The result of the consultation was 85% against. In addition, my objections were taken directly to senior Cornwall Council Management and the Portfolio Holder for Transport Cllr Dan Rogersson. I also raised the question in Full Council on the 20th January 2026 where I asked the Portfolio Holder directly if he would listen to the results of the consultation or ignore them. This was before the consultation had concluded and the results were even known. The member was subject to a “Point of Order” in the Committee meeting, and I have since received an apology for the unfounded allegations. Par Beach As many will know, Par Beach has undergone a very controversial invasive species removal. Many residents have raised concerns and are very angry with what has happened. I have criticized Cornwall Councils handling of this, but Cornwall Council and associated groups remain adamant that the work was justified. I have called for greater transparency and public discussion before any similar work is carried out.

Having failed to reach any agreement with Cornwall Council regarding the Par Beach Huts and “agreeing to disagree” as to the level of cooperation given, the Beach Huts will be removed from the Beach sometime around April. It is envisaged that the Beach Huts will have a new life in Bude.

Tywardreath Hill Tywardreath Hill remains closed for reasons unknown at this time. The road was supposed to be re-opened before Christmas last year and I was assured it remained on schedule which of course turned out not to be the case. I think it is fair to say the opening is likely imminent, but there is currently no official update.

Recycling Update From the 16th of March, Cornwall Council will be introducing the ability to recycle extra items in the domestic Waste Collection, such as Milk and Juice Cartons, Plastic bags, bubble wrap and packaging. Full details can be found at www.cornwall.gov.uk/recycling.

25/139 Par Beach Toilets

A quote for the painting of the toilet doors had been received from apsconstruction. Members considered the quote to be rather high and it was proposed by Cllr C Wildish, seconded Cllr Phillips and RESOLVED that the Parish Clerk should try to renegotiate with apsconstruction.

The annual maintenance check of the pump had been completed.

It was noted that arrangements would need to be made to re-let the open space following the termination of the previous tenancy.

26/140 Footpath between St Andrews Road and Par Green

Members noted that the Parish Council had not been involved in discussions about potential improvements to this Public Right of Way until very late in the day despite the fact that it was in Tywardreath & Par Parish. A suggestion had then been put forward that the Parish Council should apply for CIL funding to finance the work and Dave Wood had submitted some possible plans. However, there had been a very short time window before the current round of CIL funding finished and no costings were yet available. Members agreed that improvements to the path from Rundles Walk to Par Beach would be of benefit to parishioners and noted that it was supported by Cllr Wilson so

agreed that an application for CIL funding should be investigated when the next application window opens.

25/141 Parish Councillors Reports

Cllr C Wildish suggested a Council coffee morning should be held to allow the public to meet members informally and ask questions. The Parish Clerk suggested that this could perhaps be linked to the Annual Parish Assembly. Members agreed that this could be an option and Cllr C Wildish agreed to investigate this possibility.

Alison White from PL24 had been in contact about the Climate and Environment Alliance and, as a member, had suggested to the Group that Parish Councils should be involved as representatives of the community. Alison had also offered to let a Council representative know if anything relevant to the Tywardreath & Par area arose. Thanks were extended to Alison and Cllr A Wildish agreed to be the Parish Council contact.

The Parish Clerk reported that following the folding of the Tywardreath Allotment Association she had contacted Kevin Rouse about the future Association's communal plot. Kevin had explained that the Association had planted five apple trees on the plot and it would be good to obtain some more and improve the site as a communal orchard. Kevin would be prepared to facilitate this if the Parish Council would pay for the area to be strimmed back, possibly bi-annually. It was agreed that this approach should be tried on a trial basis.

Date of Next Meeting To be confirmed

Meeting Closed 8.00pm