

**Minutes of the meeting of South Petherwin Parish Council held on
Wednesday 10th September 2025, at 7.00pm, in South Petherwin Methodist Chapel
Schoolroom, South Petherwin.**

Present: Cllr P Parsons (Chairman), Cllr MA Screech (Vice Chair), Cllr J Barlow, Cllr J Ashdown, Cllr Middleton and Cllr Rowse.

In Attendance: Linda Coles, Parish Clerk and Cllr Adrian Parsons, Cornwall Council

There were 61 members of the public present.

Item No		Action By
1	Chairman's welcome. The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.	
2	Apologies. Cllr M Lewis	
3	Declarations of Interest. a) Agenda Items. None declared. b) Gifts. None declared.	
4	Consideration of written requests for dispensation. None received.	
5	Casual Vacancies. No applications received.	
6	Unitary Councillor's Report. Deferred until present	
7	Public Participation. PA25/05611 will have a seriously adverse impact on the Frog and Bucket Public House, which at the present time is a thriving business. The proposed development will detract from the relaxing view from the pub, which many find therapeutic, and it will also have a serious impact on the pub's campsite, making it much less attractive for people to stay there. The pub relies on income brought in by the summer trade to see it through the winter months and it is felt that the impact of developing this site so close to it will be very detrimental to that trade. It was also said that the five dwellings already developed at the top of the site have not sold so there does not seem to be much rationale for the continuing development of the rest of the site. A member of the public said that there is a serious concern about agricultural land being built on when food production in the UK is reportedly only at 45%. It was felt that the impact on the infrastructure of the village is too great. It was felt that the development would not be good for the welfare of the community, having such an adverse impact on the local business of the pub which is a hub and social focal point. A local holiday let owner said that his visitors use the pub and its facilities and it is an asset to the community. It is a vital hub for people to meet and socialise. It was also pointed out that the village needs its green space and a play area would be a better use of the land. It was also pointed out that the village school is at capacity. There are also concerns over access. Cllr A Parsons, Cornwall Councillor, said that was heartening to see such support for the pub, which he agreed was a community asset. He spoke about the planning process. Planning in Principle applications have been brought in by the Government to speed up the planning process. There is very little or no detail given with a PIP application. At the moment there is no precedent being given to agricultural land not being developed.	

8	Response to Public Participation. Not applicable	
9	<p>Planning.</p> <p>a) Planning applications received before the agenda was finalised:</p> <p>PA25/05611, Land South East of Frog and Bucket, South Petherwin, Launceston. Application for Permission in Principle for development of between 5 and 5 dwellings. The Parish Council recognised the concerns of the local residents, sixty one of whom attended to voice their objections to the application. There are concerns about the access and the impact on the infrastructure of the village; school, healthcare etc. South Petherwin Parish Council notes the impact that this application would have on the character and landscape of the area and that the application extends the built up area into open countryside. The application is adjacent to one of only two amenities in the Parish that could be seen to be a social hub, The Frog and Bucket Pub, and the land on which the application is situated has an educational impact in regards to raising awareness of the agricultural industry, being overlooked by many of the Frog and Buckets clientele enjoying its routine activities. An inadvertent educational impact that would be lost if it were to be developed. It is also concerned about the impact of the development on the business of the pub and its trade. The Frog and Bucket is a huge asset to the community and of great importance in bringing the local community together and the Council would not like to see this lost or diminished in any way. The Parish Council would like to reference Cornwall Council Local Plan Policy 4.4 and the NPPF Policies 11 and 12. It was RESOLVED to object to PA25/05611, proposed by Cllr Ashdown and seconded by Cllr Barlow with all in favour.</p> <p>PA25/05937 unit 26, Pennygillam Way, Pennygillam Industrial Estate, Launceston. Demolition of existing single storey office building. Erection of two storey office and staff welfare building. Following discussion it was RESOLVED to support the application, proposed by Cllr Middleton, seconded by Cllr Screech with all in favour.</p> <p>b) Planning applications received after the agenda was published: None</p> <p>c) Planning decisions notified by Cornwall Council: None</p> <p>d) Other Planning Matters. None</p>	
4	<p>Unitary Councillor’s Report</p> <p>The MIU at Launceston has been closed and reopened since the last PC meeting. The Trust was apologetic about the way in which it was closed at short notice; it is open 8-5, Mondays – Fridays at the moment.</p> <p>The 20mph speed limit is being rolled out in South Petherwin. Members have been emailed the details and are encouraged to let the Clerk have their views for submission to Cornwall Council. Public consultation will follow.</p> <p>Cllr Parsons met with the MP two weeks ago and he updated him on Plusha, encouraging him to engage with NH and the Department of Transport. There has been another fatal accident on the A388 two weeks ago.</p> <p>Cornwall Council has called for nation status; devolution to be able to deliver what works for Cornwall.</p>	
10	<p>Minutes of the meeting held on 9th July 2025</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the Minutes are a true record of that meeting Proposed by Cllr Barlow and seconded by Cllr Middleton, with all in favour who had been at that meeting.</p>	
11	<p>Matters Arising from the above Minutes. None</p>	
12	<p>A30/B3257 Junction at Bodmin Services (Plusha). Updates had been circulated by the Clerk to the Members.</p>	

18	Any Other Business Cllr Rowse asked for a vote of thanks to Cllr A Parsons for all his hard work. Cllr Screech gave notes on the recent CAP meeting, including Emergency Plan and transport issues. The Clerk will circulate the Minutes when available.	Clerk
19	Items for inclusion in future meetings. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Plan 	Clerk
20	CLOSED SESSION. Pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, members of the public and press were excluded from this part of the meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To receive the Clerk’s letter of resignation 	
21	Date of next meeting. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 8 th October 2025 at 7pm in South Petherwin Methodist Hall, South Petherwin.	

There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.12hrs.

Signed.....Chairman Dated.....

