Minutes of the meeting of South Petherwin Parish Council held on Wednesday 14th October 2026, at 7.00pm, in South Petherwin Methodist Chapel Schoolroom, South Petherwin.

Present: Cllr P Parsons (Chairman), Cllr Barlow, Cllr Ashdown, Cllr Dixon, Cllr Middleton, Cllr Rowse.
There were 9 members of the public present.

In Attendance: Alison Barham, Parish Clerk, Cllr Adrian Parsons, CC

Item No		Action By
1	**Chairman's welcome.** The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.	
2	**Apologies.** Cllr Screech.	
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.** None received.	
6	Unitary Councillor's Report. Cllr Parsons spoke about Daws House and the traffic island, and welcomes what the Parish Council have done regarding the flashing speed signs. He talked on his meetings with Ian Thompson of National Highways, and working through all the local issues and complaints. He also reported that Cornwall Council are £11million in deficit. Cornwall Council's chief executive Kate Kennally is leaving her role after 10 years.	
7	**Public Participation.** Members of the public spoke regarding the following: Daws House traffic islands (top and bottom) and speeding concerns. Access for pedestrians past the top island is very difficult due to signage positions. Positive feedback on the two PC owned flashing speed signs, and the police speed enforcement sessions. Community Speedwatch undergoing training and will soon be ready to begin. Data can be collected from the flashing speed signs, but a policy needs to be put in place before doing so. A parishioner had contacted Ben Maguire regarding the A30 Highways work and the problems it has caused. Highways will now work with satnav companies, and have put some more signage up. Is it possible for the road past the school to be gritted and can a salt bin be obtained for Trelinnoe Gardens. A parishioner thanked Cllr Adrian Parsons for his commitment in sorting out the A30 Highways issues.	**Clerk** **Clerk**
8	**Response to Public Participation** Cllr Parsons thanked everyone for their comments and information. He advised that himself and Cllr Barlow met with Cornwall Highways following the Parish Council's request to have the top island moved/replaced with something else. The meeting was positive – CC are going to install cameras to see for themselves what is happening. One possibility is that a 'full' island (the current one is not) will be moved back up the road.	

9	**Planning.** **a) Planning applications received before the agenda was finalised:** PA26/05686 Extensions to farm machinery dealership building, Rundle & Co Agre, Kennards House, Mr Wayne Rundle It was **RESOLVED** to support the application, **proposed by Ashdown, seconded by Cllr Barlow with all in favour.** PA26/06552 Outline Planning Permission with some matters reserved for the construction of 5 dwellings Land adjacent to Trelinnoe Close Mrs C Davies It was **RESOLVED** to support the application, **proposed by Cllr Barlow, seconded by Cllr Dixon with all in favour.** PA26/06583 Proposed internal loft conversion, Tregillis View, South Petherwin, Jesse Coombs It was **RESOLVED** to support the application, **proposed by Cllr Middleton, seconded by Cllr Ashdown with all in favour.** **b)** Planning applications received after the agenda was published: None. **c) Planning decisions from Cornwall Council.** **PA26/04669** Linnick Farm reserved matters **APPROVED**. **PA26/05561** Completion of agricultural building to commercial use. Kennards House. **Approved.** **PA26/05573** Further machinery storage, Kennards House. **Approved.** **d) Other Planning Matters.** None.	
10	**a) Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9th September 2026** It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes are a true record of that meeting **Proposed by Cllr Ashdown and seconded by Cllr Barlow, all in favour.** **b) Minutes of the Parish Council closed session held on 9th September 2026** It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes are a true record of that meeting **Proposed by Cllr Barlow and seconded by Cllr Middleton, all in favour.**	
11	**Matters Arising from the above Minutes**. None.	
12	**A30/B3257 Junction at Bodmin Services (Plusha).** Discussed during public participation.	
13	**Emergency Plan**. Emergency scenario session organised by Cllr Middleton in Village Hall on November 9th at 7pm. Will need flip chart and marker pens. Will need a log keeper at the session.	
14	**Wind Turbine Funding.** Clerk to contact FCA regarding Nat West Bank.	**Clerk**
15	**Parish Matters** a) Emergency Plan. – covered in point 13. b) Maintenance of school playground. Head of school has confirmed that the playground is accessible to community outside of school hours, so should be possible for them to apply for a grant.	**Clerk**
16	**Highway and Footpath matters** a) Daws House traffic calming measures. Discussed in public participation. b) Flashing speed signs. Discussed in public participation. c) Trekelland Bridge. Council will seek to encourage Highways for permanent traffic light solution. d) Change of speed from 40mph to 30mph on stretch of road from Daws House up to South Petherwin. Cllr Rowse proposed the following: "SPPC requests that the speed limit on the following section of the B3254 at South Petherwin, be reduced from 40 to 30 mph. The length in question (travelling NE towards Launceston) runs from East Petherwin Farm to Petherwin Water - approximately 400 metres. The speed limit before and after this section is currently 30mph. Travelling	

	towards Launceston, that stretch drops sharply and narrows through a cutting with sheer rocky sides, towards a sharp left-hand bend, beyond which another steep stretch runs to the end of the 40mph section. On the left of this latter stretch is an unguarded precipitous drop with dwellings beneath. The time difference between 40 mph and 30 mph over this section is less than 10 seconds, allowing for speeding up and slowing down ie. insignificant. SPPC considers that drivers on this section of the B3254 should be advised to exercise caution rather than be virtually encouraged to increase speed. Similar considerations exist when driving towards South Petherwin. Hence SPPC concludes that this 40mph section is incongruous and potentially very unsafe and requests a reduction to 30 mph." **Proposed by Cllr Rowse, seconded by Cllr Barlow, with all in favour.** e) School sign on road poor visibility; no gateway sign to South Petherwin from Kennards House. These have been added to the Plusha Mitigation Plan.	**Clerk**
17	**Correspondence** A list of correspondence had been previously circulated.	
18	Finance. **a)** Payments. **It was RESOLVED to make the payments for September proposed by Cllr Ashdown seconded by Cllr Barlow with all in favour** of the following: Online – A Barham, Clerk's salary etc. for September, including backdated pay. Online – HMRC, Clerk's September PAYE, Employer NIC for September - £173.36 Online – Angela Peerless cleaning of toilets & bus shelter September - £65.00 Online – South Petherwin Village Hall hire - £6.00 Online – Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust - £500.00 Online – Pennon Source for Business - £75.23 Direct Debit – British Gas, monthly direct debit for electricity for toilets - £14.19 Direct Debit – Unity Trust, service charge - £7.00 Receipts: Precept from CC £6325.00. Interest deposit account £85.86, Wind Turbine account £46.13. **b)** Bank Reconciliations. **It was RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation for September proposed by Cllr Dixon seconded by Cllr Rowse with all in favour.** The bank balances at 30th September 2026 totalled £37,152.29 (includes £8,730.65 Wind Turbine Fund) **c)** Grant applications received for the Wind Turbine fund. None received. **d)** CIL funding. Ongoing (pump, noticeboards). Waiting for revised quote on pump kerbs. **e)** Order Remembrance Day Wreaths. Clerk to order two wreaths. **Proposed by Cllr Parsons, seconded by Cllr Middleton, with all in favour.**	**Clerk**
19	**Policies** for consideration. WhatsApp **– it was proposed to adopt the policy by Cllr Barlow, seconded by Cllr Dixon, with all in favour.** Social media – guidance to be used as a new policy. Clerk to finalise. Asset Register & Disposal **– it was proposed to adopt the policy by Cllr Rowse, seconded by Cllr Dixon, with all in favour.** Policy/protocol on data collected from flashing speed signs – to be finalised for November meeting. Grant application form **– it was proposed to adopt the policy by Cllr Parsons, seconded by Cllr Middleton, with all in favour.** Casual vacancy protocol – to be considered at the November meeting.	**Clerk** **Clerk**

20	**Any Other Business.** Internet in the Methodist Chapel Hall – can this be provided? Narrowing of road in centre of South Petherwin – can road markings be amended? National Highways Community Legacy Fund, can help other organisations. Trelindon Housing issues – Cllr Barlow dealing with this at present. Patches of work done on School Hill not very good. Check with Highways what/when permanent solution will be done.	**Clerk**
21	**Items for inclusion in future meetings**. Grit bins & where roads are gritted. Church Walk ownership of road. Review lighting on School Hill. Road markings at narrow part of B3254 in centre of South Petherwin.	
22	**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: November 11th 2026.** December 9th 2026 January 13th 2027 All meetings will be held at South Petherwin Methodist Chapel Hall. **There being no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:41 hours.**	

Signed……Chairman Dated…….