

ST IVE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of St Ive Parish Council held on Monday, 8th September 2025 at 7.00pm in the Millennium House, Pensilva.

Item No.		Action by
1	Those present. Cllrs. S Willis (Chairman), M Carr, N Libby, M Corney, T Hodson, J Bruce, P Steer, A Moss, F Southcott. Also attending. Mrs J Hoskin (Parish Clerk) Cllr J Gale (Cornwall Councillor) Mrs V Thompson (Millennium House Manager) Nine members of the public	
2	Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. R Farley, C Vaughnley, P Mann. To accept the resignation of Cllr I Vaughan (Pensilva Ward). It was proposed by Cllr Willis, seconded by Cllr Bruce and unanimously agreed the resignation be accepted. The Clerk will inform Cornwall Council.	Clerk
3	Councillors Declarations of Interest. To receive and grant Councillors requests for dispensations. Cllr Bruce declared an interest on any matters relating to the Pensilva Community Association (PCA), the Millennium House staff and the Parish Pump magazine.	
4	Questions from members of the public (meeting then closes to the press and public although visitors are welcome to remain for the rest of the proceedings up to the Closed Session when confidential matters may be discussed). The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited them to address the council. A spokesman for the residents of Keason, St Ive spoke about their problems and frustrations with Cornwall Council Housing and issues with the jointly used sewage treatment plant for the six privately owned and four Cornwall Housing rented properties. The plant was installed in 1964 and although some upgrades had been carried out the plant was leaking. Although complaints had been made since 2016 little had been done. The Environment Agency were now involved. The permit was held by Cornwall Housing. Residents were working with Cllr J Gale to resolve the matter and requested support from the Parish Council as they were now being asked to pay towards the cost of the pump and tankers being regularly used to remove the sewage and surface water from the site. The system was currently piped under the A390 road at Keason and onto farmland. South West Water had advised there was no capacity to connect into the mains situated 400 metres away from these properties until 2028 when the mains would be upgraded. The Parish Council were happy to support the residents in their campaign but had no powers to legally instruct the Environment Agency, South West Water or Cornwall Council to do anything. The residents thanked Councillors for listening and left the meeting.	

	The Millennium House Manager spoke on behalf of a member of the public representing the darts league to request a £50 donation towards the cost of the end of season trophies / prize money. It was proposed by Cllr Moss, seconded by Cllr Hodson and unanimously agreed the Parish Council donate the £50. Cllr Sean Smith (Cornwall Councillor for Menheniot) spoke about their Neighbourhood Development Plan.	
5	Report from Cornwall Councillor – Cllr J Gale spoke about the reopening of the minor injuries unit at Launceston hospital. He reported on the public consultation event to develop a 322 acres solar farm in the parish of St Dominic (no planning application submitted); along with subjects relating to Independence for Cornwall, the selling of County Farms and the A390/A388 road safety campaign. Cllr Gale also explained how he was supporting the residents of Keason with the ongoing surface water / sewage problems.	
6	To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 14th July 2025. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 14th July 2025 were approved and signed by the Chairman; proposed by Cllr Corney, seconded by Cllr Steer and unanimously agreed by those who attended.	
7	Matters arising from the Minutes. There were no matters arising from the minutes.	
8	Finance – a) Authorisation of payments / payroll / direct debits /creditors and debtors. Authorisation to approve the transfer of funds from the deposit account to the current account. The transactions made were noted and approved. b) To consider a request from St Ive Methodist Church for a donation towards the upkeep of their burial ground. It was proposed by Cllr Willis, seconded by Cllr Moss and unanimously agreed to grant a donation of £400. Cllr Corney confirmed the cutting at St Ive Church was now carried out by the Emily Hobhouse Trust	Clerk/ AM
9	Correspondence to be noted. Reported and noted.	
10	Report from Committees and to consider and approve any recommendations from their meetings. Parks & Open Spaces Committee. Cllr Corney confirmed the date of the next meeting, 26th September 2025. It was reported the notice board had deteriorated and the door had broken off. This remaining frame will be removed. Neighbourhood Development Plan Working Group/ Planning Committee. Funding to complete the NDP. Cllr Hodson reported the meeting scheduled for the 16th September had to be cancelled. The group were now proof-reading the final draft.	Clerk

	It was proposed by Cllr Corney, seconded by Cllr Bruce and unanimously agreed Cllr F Southcott be elected on to this working group. • Community Area Partnership Meeting – Cllr Corney had circulated information from the meeting held on the 4th September 2025. Cllr Corney reported traffic lights were needed along the A390 Gunnislake to Newbridge section. • Personnel Committee – to appoint an additional two members on to this committee and arrange a committee meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Bruce, seconded by Cllr Hodson and unanimously agreed personnel matters be discussed by the full council. Cllr Corney reiterated that the Clerk was the Head of HR and manages all staff appointed to work in the Millennium House. The Clerk was also supervising the Millennium House manager within the structure of the organisation.	
11	Millennium House – to receive the Managers report. Cost for repainting / re-cladding or alternative options. Update on the provision of a disabled access and costs. Vanessa tabled her report and the two varying quotes for automated opening entrance doors. The Clerk requested quotes from two more companies to comply with Standing Orders of the Council. It was hoped that funding could be obtained. Although quotes had been obtained to repaint / reclad the exterior of the building Councillors agreed to defer this project until the cost of the automated doors had been obtained and that work prioritised. The Manager spoke about her forthcoming maternity leave and the cover being put in place until her return to work. The Council agreed on the receptionist to cover the manager's position whilst Vanessa was away. Proposed by Cllr Hodson, seconded by Cllr Moss and unanimously agreed. Following a discussion, it was unanimously agreed the Chairman and Clerk meet with the Manager the day after each Full Council meeting for an update. Proposed by Cllr Hodson, seconded by Cllr Carr.	SW/ Clerk
12	Matters to be reported and noted by the Clerk / Items for the next agenda. None.	
13	Date of next Full Council Meeting – Monday, 6th October 2025 at Millennium House, Pensilva. Cllr Corney to check the wi-fi provision at St Ive Village Hall.	
14	Closed Session - Update on the Finance Office position. The Clerk reported the advert had been done for a temporary finance officer.	
15	To close the meeting. There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm	

Dated

Signed