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Present Cllr Hockin, Cllr Peyman, Cllr Yates, Cllr Lakie, Cllr Smith, Cllr Costello, Cllr Bridges, Cllr Edwards, Cllr Anderson and Cllr Hitchman-Smith.

In attendance CCllr Burnett

03.01 Apologies – Cllr Smith

03.02 Declarations of Interest –

Cllr Yates declared an interest in Community Centre funding application and Finance. He requested dispensation to speak but not vote. Cllr Hitchman-Smith proposed the dispensation be granted. Seconded by Cllr Lakie. All in favour. Cllr Yates abstained.

Cllr Yates declared an interest in agenda item Car Park – Toilets, he is a member of the Boscastle Community Interest Company (CIC) and owns a business that could be impacted on. He requested dispensation to speak but not to vote. Cllr Hitchman-Smith proposed the dispensation be granted. Seconded by Cllr Lakie. All in favour. Cllrs Yates, Edwards and Hockin abstained.

Cllr Hockin declared an interest in agenda item Car Park – Toilets, he is a member of the CIC. He requested dispensation to speak and vote. Cllr Hitchman-Smith proposed the dispensation be granted. Seconded by Cllr Lakie. All in favour. Cllrs Yates, Edwards and Hockin abstained.

Cllr Edwards declared an interest in agenda item Car Park – Toilets, she is a member of the CIC. She requested dispensation to speak and vote. Cllr Hitchman-Smith proposed the dispensation be granted. Seconded by Cllr Lakie. All in favour. Cllrs Yates, Edwards and Hockin abstained.

Cllr Anderson declared an interest in Correspondence -Foodbank.

03.03 Public Participation – One member of the public present.

The member of the public spoke passionately in favour of the paradise triangle biodiversity/rewilding programme and urge that it continue. The original area, started 3 years ago, recorded 32 species of wild flowering plants last year and this year an additional 7 have been recorded. Plus, a huge population of solitary mining bees was noted.

03.04 Planning – To consider planning applications received in time for agenda

No Planning applications received.

03.05 To consider other planning applications received by time of meeting.

None received

03.06 Planning Decisions: as listed ([see website](#))

03.07 Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2026 – Cllr Hitchman-Smith proposed, the minutes be accepted as a true record. Seconded by Cllr Bridges. All in favour.

03.08 Matters to Report (only) from previous meetings minutes – nothing

03.09 Finance

Approval of cheques for payment



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Category	Sub Category	Amount	For	
Administration	Staff Costs	£1085.81	Salary (May)	ch
Administration	Staff Costs	£293.61	Expenses (May)	ch
Administration	HMRC	£1306.29	Tax & NI	ch
Administration	Village Hall	£14.00	Hire on 9 th April	ch
Churchyard	Churchyard	£500.00	Maintenance Grant	ch
Administration	Audit	£840.00	Internal Audit	ch
Administration	Comm & Rec.	£10.00	Room hire 27/05/26	dc
Administration	Play area	£114.00	Annual Inspection	dc

The clerk advised he had included a final column in which the initials mean;
ch = Cheque payment, dc = Debit Card payment and dd = direct debit

Cllr Costello proposed that the council approve the amounts as listed for payment. Seconded by Cllr Hitchman-Smith. All in favour.

03.10 Correspondence – the clerk outlined the significant items of correspondence received, all of which had been copied to councillors.

Cornwall Council Leaders visit to Boscastle – Cllr Yates asked the council if they had any specific items they wanted raised? Car Park and Toilets, North Cornwall being remote from the Cornwall Council main offices in Truro seems to be forgotten/overlooked.

Cllr Anderson left the meeting

Coach House foodhub request for £300. Cllr Yates proposed the council contribute £100. Not Seconded. Cllr Peyman proposed the council don't support this year. Seconded by Cllr Lakie. 7 in favour 2 against.

Cllr Anderson rejoined the meeting.

The Dour Glan (clean water) Campaign – Cllr Hitchman-Smith brought this campaign to the parish Council attention in that the campaign is a cross-party and grassroots campaign for Clean Water in Cornwall and seeks to have all Cornish Town and Parish Council support this campaign. Cllr Hitchman-Smith proposed the council support the campaign. Seconded by Cllr Anderson. All in favour.

03.11 Reports

CCllr Report – CCllr Burnett thanked Cllr Costello for the work she has done gathering evidence of the lack of student transport in North Cornwall. Transport for Cornwall will have a bus in Bude on 19th for the public to have their say on public transport. A dentistry summit is being held on 17th July in Truro to discuss what can be done about the lack of dentists in Cornwall. Small grant opportunities available from National Grid of up to £5000 and Bupa of up to £2000.

Chairmans Report – Cllr Hockin reported he had attended a Cormac open day event from which he was surprised at the number of functions they work on. He raised concerns re the recent ruling that the Coast Guard should not be paying volunteers when they are called away from their work. Cllr Lakie proposed the council write to the MP and Cornwall Council re reinstating in some form compensation to volunteers if they are out of pocket serving the community. Seconded by Cllr Peyman. All in favour.

Parish Clerk Report – nothing further to report.

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03.12 Items from previous meeting

Biodiversity/rewilding – Cllr Hockin reported from the Cormac open day he had spoken with a Cormac officer who is the rewilding officer for this area who is willing to attend a meeting and provide advice. Cllr Hitchman-Smith outlined the results of the recent Parish Council public survey from which 53% of residents put biodiversity as high priority and only 16% in the low to very low priority. With regard to the Paradise Triangle project 67% of respondents either support the continuation of the project as it is or with slight changes and 29% of respondents didn't support the project continuing. Cllr Hitchman-Smith proposed the council (based on survey responses) continue with the Paradise Triangle project, invite Cormac rewilding officer to a meeting and consider making some changes to make the site more understandable, visible and defined. Seconded by Cllr Anderson. 6 for 3 against.

Car Park – Nothing Further to report

Toilets – Nothing further to report.

Highways – Cllr Yates reported on the recent site meeting with the Highways Officer regarding the expressions of interest the Parish Council submitted to be included in a Traffic variation order, including removal of double yellow lines in Old road opposite the Wellington, extend the parking bay outside the doctors surgery, install double yellow lines on Tintagel Road opposite potters lane, install bus stop box and double yellow lines on Doctors Corner.

Community Emergency Plan – Cllr Yates reported the working group are reviewing the appendices of the draft Community emergency Plan, focusing on the overarching support templates activation and structure. Reviewing the resident's leaflet and getting quotes for printing and posting/delivery. Considering a community emergency and resilience open day in October.

Website, communications and Council Telephone – Clerk reported he had asked Tamar Telecommunications about a welcome message and other number for emergency. They can provide a virtual switchboard to enable this at an addition cost. Clerk to logon to the dashboard for the parish council account and see if a message can be recorded.

Neighbourhood Priority Statement - the council discussed the benefits of having such a statement as it links into the Cornwall Council local plan and provides the planning department with community view regarding future development. The council decided to have a working group to take the process forward.

Play Area

Monthly inspection – Cllr Bridges reported the inspection found a couple of minor issues that have been addressed. The Recent RoSPA report identified three issues with the new multiplay equipment which have been reported for remedial action by the equipment supplier. The broken fence post is due to be repaired imminently.

Waste bin – Installed.

Castle Site

Monthly inspection – Cllr Costello reported all ok. Bin is being emptied.

College Transport – Cllr Costello reported she had surveyed, most if not all, parents of students in years 11, 12 and 13 who are at college or about to start college which showed a severe lack of transport to and from suitable places of learning which is a huge issue for North Cornwall.

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Works around the Village – Cllr Hitchman-Smith reported the bench on the copse portion of the Paradise Triangle is covered in algae and lichen. Cllr Hockin will have a look and see what can be done.

Cllr Yates reported last year the residential roads in the village were manually weeded by a contractor and asked if the council wanted it done this year Cllr Peyman proposed the council have it done again with manual clearance and using a mixture of white vinegar, salt and washing up liquid. Seconded by Cllr Hitchman-Smith. All in Favour.

Playing Field – Dog Fouling – nothing further to report.

Community Centre – Cllr Yates reported works nearly finished.

Riverside Walk – Cllr Lakie reported the National Trust have shared a management plan, a contract for works and risk assessment. Attempting to contact Cornwall Council. Working group seeking ideas for seating in the area.

Bus Shelter – Cleaning of the bus shelter is progressing.

Council Documentation Review – nothing further

03.13 Items since last meeting –

03.14 Agenda items for next meeting

Bio Diversity/rewilding – *Paradise Triangle- review*

Car Park

Toilets

Highways

Community Emergency Plan

Website, Communications and Council Telephone

Neighbourhood Priority Statement

Play Area –

Monthly inspection - *report and equipment update*

Castle Site

Monthly Inspection – *report*

College Transport – *post 16*

Works around the village – *Paradise Triangle Copse*

Playing Field – *dog fouling*

Community Centre – *Funding Application*

Riverside Walk

Bus Shelter – *cleaning*.

Council Documentation Review

With no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.54pm

Date of next monthly meeting Thursday 9th July 2026 in the Village Hall