

# Lawhitton Parish Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Month 2026 at 7:30pm.

Members Present: Cllr Steven (Chair) Cllr King  
Cllr Bastard Cllr Hunt Mrs A Clarke (Clerk)  
0 Member of the public

**01/03/26** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Parsons Cllr Robinson Cllr Chudleigh Cllr Perry

**02/03/26** There were no declarations of interest for items on the agenda:

**03/03/26** There was no public participation due to no attendance.

**04/03/26** Cllr Parsons' report was summarised by the chair:

Cornwall Council budget: £59 million savings year 1, £154 million over 3 years. 4.99% council tax rise funds adult social care (£43m), children's services (£37m), housing, open spaces. Fair funding review favours urban over rural councils. Highways budget protected; Kit Hill free access retained. National Highways: interim slip roads at Plusha Junction. Highways maintenance: 5,300 potholes remain; repairs poor, loose material blocks drains. SEND: 90% deficit write-off welcomed. Newquay–London PSO failed; focus on commercial flights (e.g. London City Airport). Lewdown signage request for dangerous junction: hoped for delivery. The full report was circulated to all members after the meeting

**05/03/26** Minutes of the last meeting of Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2026 were approved and signed.

**06/03/26 Matters arising:-**

## **6.1 VAS Signage**

All VAS sites need highways manager approval in writing. Contractor fitting and risk assessments required. Maps were duly marked, ideally there is a need for a mobile site to move between two locations: Site A: Before St Michael's coming into the village. Site B: Lower village, bus stop opposite the council houses. There was a debate regarding Mobile vs fixed units; 2 units may be better value. A preference towards a "SLOW DOWN" display was indicated.

## **6.2 Updates on matter in previous minutes: Salt Bins**

The salt bins filled with water and then freeze solid making them unusable. Refills have been ineffective. The Clerk will request two new bins from highways.

## **6.3 - Assertion 10 Regulation/Statement**

A resolution was agreed and signed indicating that accessibility requirement on previous documents is a disproportionate burden for a small parish and would also increase the precept. Previous documents will be left as they are all new documents in 2026 will meet the assertion 10 regulations. The Data mapping requirement will be prioritised in August.

## **6.4 - Accessibility policy was approved.**

**07/03/26 Planning** - There were no new applications, appeals or enforcements.

## **08/03/26 Finance**

8.1 - The Current Balances, bank reconciliation and budget update was provided and approved. 98.2 - Payments for authorisation, included HMRC, the clerks salary. Hall hire was discussed and backdated £25.50 x 6 meetings. HMRC refund was noted.  
8.2 - Approval was given to the clerk to search and purchase a new notice board and a laptop.

**09/03/26 Roads and Footpaths** Poor repairs to the block drains. **Actions** required:- Resurface over the A30 bridge. Stourscombe down to Lower Banham Cottages. Follow up the overgrown vegetation at Leburnick cross. HGV lane video: request unsuitable for HGV signs. Hydrants: chase fire service confirmation of them being in working order.

**10/03/26 Matters brought forward by the Chairman:** none

**11/03/26 Matters brought forward by Councillors:** Hall committee resigning April: seek volunteers. Police/Newquay centralisation concerns raised.

**12/03/26 Clerks report and Correspondence received:** Informal email names agreed.

**13/03/26 Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 19th May AGM/APM 2026 at 7.30pm

**14/03/26 The Meeting closed at pm**

Signed.....

Date.....