Zennor Parish Council

Minutes – 8 September 2026

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Zennor Parish Council held on Tuesday 11 August 2026 at 7.00pm, in the **Zennor Village Hall.**

Councillors present: Councillors: J Brookes (Chair), S Nankervis (Vice-Chair), J Colombo, K Heron, N Lambert, A Thompson, L Thompson

In attendance: 1 member of the public. Cornwall Councillor Juliet Line.

Officer support: Clerk/RFO.

Minute number prefix for this meeting: ***26-9/***

1. **To record absences and note apologies for absence.** None.
2. **Declarations of Interest.** None.
3. **Member Dispensations.** No requests had been received.
4. **Public Speaking.** None.
5. **Cornwall Councillor reports –** To receive reports on their work relevant to the parish.

   Cornwall Councillor Juliet Line gave update reports and discussed with Parish Councillors topics including:

   Cornwall and West Devon Heritage Mining meeting, Zennor had been mentioned, in support of the Rosevale Mine Trust becoming a CIC. There will be 5 Board members, a good step to help future proof the mine.

   Concern at a question about reduction in tutors at University of Exeter, Tremough Campus.

   Devolution is ongoing, on a regional basis. It is understood that the proposal is for devolution to Cornwall, not linked with Devon and will not include need for a Mayor.

   Noted that Cornwall Council Chief Executive is on extended leave and that an interim CEO will be appointed to ensure stability in the organisation.
6. **Reports from meetings of other organisations**

   Cllr Heron reported that Right of Way 35 in Lamorna had been re-opened thanks to the efforts of the Open Spaces Society and the Ramblers Association, in pushing for this work to be carried out. After being closed for many years, the path is now open again.
7. **Minutes of the meeting held on 11 August 2026**

   Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting of the council, as above, having been circulated, be taken as read, approved and signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
8. **Clerk's update report.** Members **noted** the update report circulated prior to the meeting.
9. **Planning applications.** None.
10. **5 day planning protocol responses sent since the last Council meeting.** None.
11. **Cornwall Council decisions. Noted** decisions made in August:

a. PA26/05281 – Land and buildings adj. The Barn, Treen Farm, North Treen, Zennor - Non-material amendment in relation to decision notice PA23/08342 dated 20/12/2023, namely 1) Widening doorway on southern elevation. 2) Addition of pedestrian door on southern elevation. 3) Additional windows on eastern and southern elevation. **Cornwall Council decision: Approved, unconditional.**

12. Planning Appeals. None.

13. Environment, Highways and Rights of Way.

a. Track at Treen. Members noted that South West Water had sent letters to residents and held a meeting the previous Friday to advise of works starting on Monday which will take 18 weeks to complete. There had been no notification to the Parish Council.

b. Cornwall Council – Enhanced LMP 2026/27. To consider making an application for funding for rights of way improvements, 2026/27 scheme.

Agreed not to submit an application for Enhanced LMP funding, instead **agreed** that a letter will be sent to the Open Spaces Society to request support for keeping public access and clear signage for the Silver path from Treen Cove to Gurnards Head. The definitive map shows the path going through a residential garden. When walking the path it is not possible to see the route of the path in this area and so walkers tend to use the nearby track.

Action by: Cllr Lambert to send the information to Cllr Heron to compile into a letter to the Open Spaces Society. Cornwall Councillor Line asked to be invited when Councillors meet on site to review the situation.

Agenda item for October meeting of the Parish Council.

14. Partnership working and consultations.

a. Neighbourhood Priorities Statement (NPS)

Members considered writing an NPS for the parish, noting that the first step would be to resolve to send a letter of designation to Cornwall Council. It was suggested to proceed on the basis of drafting an NPS for the parish, based on simple statements highlighting the character of the parish. **Deferred** to the October meeting of the Parish Council for decision on whether to proceed with NPS for Zennor Parish.

b. Cornwall Council - Town and Parish Council Survey into local Van Dwellers. Agreed not to send a Parish Council response to this survey.

15. Grant applications received.

a. Grant application from Cornwall Air Ambulance. Members considered the importance of the services of the air ambulance to areas such as Zennor and **resolved** to award a grant of £100 to the Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust.

16. Accounts and Governance

a. Monthly finance reports and bank reconciliation

i. August receipts were **noted** and it was **resolved** to approve payments for September 2026 as set out in the payments schedule:

Payee	**Purpose**	**Amount** **(inc VAT)**
To be paid by online banking.		

LGS Landscape Garden Services (Pip Morse)	Enhanced LMP works	£1,850
ICT Connect	Website hosting, monthly	£12.00
Staff costs, including salary, NI, PAYE - August		£481.17
L Clifton	Clerk's expenses August 2025	£41.29
Card payments:		
GiffGaff	Office mobile, monthly, from 11 July.	£6.00

ii. Budget v Actual report as at 31 August 2026 – **noted.**

iii. Bank reconciliation as at 31 August 2026 - **noted.**

b. Annual Pay Award 2026-27. **Noted** the annual pay award and approved its implementation with immediate effect, backdated from 1 April 2026.

c. Clerk's office laptop. This item deferred until later in the meeting.

17. Correspondence To **note** correspondence received.

a. **Redruth Town Council: Letter of Concern – University of Exeter, Tremough Campus**. **Agreed** to send a message of support to Redruth Town Council for the work they are carrying out on this matter.

18. Councillors

a. Training. No requests for training.

19. Agenda items for a future meeting

a. Any items deferred from this meeting

b. Beating the Bounds – October agenda (from June)

c. Speeding motorbikes, Zennor to St Ives. (for update from Tri-Service officer)

20. Date of next meeting: 13 October 2026 at the Zennor Village Hall, Zennor

21. Exclusion of the press and public

Resolved that in accordance with s.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following business owing to the confidential nature of that business.

22. Clerk's office laptop.

Members considered quotes received and also whether to approve new monthly costs for Microsoft365 Business; antivirus software; and backup/cloud storage. It was **agreed** to proceed on the basis of the full package set out above and in the report to Council.

Resolved to purchase the laptop and ancillary software, protection and backup, as per the quote received from Alchemy Systems (Western) Ltd, and as set out in the report to Council.

Meeting closed: 8.10pm. Signed by Chair: ……