



### *Sheviock Parish Council*

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## **The Draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting for Sheviock Parish Council held on Monday 18th<sup>th</sup> May 2026, in the Kennedy room, Sheviock Memorial Hall, Crafhole, commencing at 7pm**

**Present:** Councillors: S. Medway, L. Jenkins, I. Court, P. Stone, D Humphreys.

**Also in Attendance:** Mrs Nancy Gray - Parish Clerk. Cornwall Cllr Kate Ewert.

To Note: Cornwall Councillor K Ewert gave her monthly report and updated the Council on various agenda items for the Parish Council meeting to follow, prior to having to leave to attend function at HMS Raleigh. (See Minutes for Sheviock Parish Council meeting).

1. **OUTGOING CHAIR'S ANNUAL REPORT.** Please see further below.
2. **ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON.** The Clerk took the role of Chair for elections. Cllr Medway nominated, Cllr Evans as Chair, seconded by Cllr Jenkins with all in favour. Cllr Evans accepted the position and signed the declaration of Acceptance of Office. The Clerk handed the Chair back to Cllr Evans.
3. **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON.** Cllr Medway nominated Cllr Court as Vice Chair, seconded by Cllr Stone, with all in favour. Cllr Court had accepted the nomination should it arise in his absence and will sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Vice Chair's Office, on his return.
4. **ELECTION OF THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTATIVES:**
  - PLANNING – All Councillors, primarily covering their own areas within the parish.
  - TREE WARDEN – Cllr Lester.
  - FOOTPATHS – Cllr Evans to lead. All to help to monitor own areas
  - EMERGENCY PLAN – Cllr Court
  - CAR PARK, TICKET MACHINE, SAFETY INSPECTIONS AND PUBLIC TOILETS – Cllr Stone, Cllr Medway to assist.
  - OPEN SPACE/PLAY PARK INSPECTIONS/H&S Cllr Medway
  - FLOWERBEDS – Cllr Stone
  - TOURIST INFORMATION KIOSK -Cllr Humphreys
  - RAME PENINSULA PUBLIC TRANSPORT USERS GROUP -Cllr Court
  - CAP. All Cllrs, to rotate when available.
  - DEFIBRILLATORS – Cllr Jenkins

**The chair closed the meeting at 19:28**

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### **May 2026 Chairman's Report**

This is my first report as Chair and is not dissimilar to my predecessor's  
Many issues discussed then are still extant and pending responses or actions from Cornwall Council especially works promised to be completed on footpath 1 and footpath 5 during the last financial year.  
Coastal erosion/ future proofing Finnygook lane, Cliff stability reports are still pending  
National Trust Footpath to Blackball beach is still closed  
Crafhole traffic flow scheme is only partially completed with the addition of 4 new parking spaces. We are still awaiting removal of speed ramps and double yellow lining opposite Lynher House to the mini roundabout. Delayed due to SW water having to re-site a stop tap.  
Safety review recommendations at Polsoe hill / Tredis turnoff are still to be implemented.  
Ongoing fight with EDF for excessive charges for the defibrillator in Tredis, wasting many

hours of our Clerks precious time.

**We've suffered some disturbing incidents throughout the year as well, including :**

Flooding in Pool cottages due to excessive rain and mudslides.

Mud slides in Horsepool lane

More costal erosion and cliff collapse on Finnygook beach

Flooding of footpath 12 to Finnygook beach

Flooding of Georges lane.

AI graffiti on Christmas day.

Power cuts in Sheviok due to Storm Goretta.

Bank collapse/subsidence on Donkey lane restricting the emergency escape route from Portwrinkle.

**On a brighter note:**

We have achieved plenty, including:

VE DAY 80. May 8th, 2025, Beacon lighting. Special thanks to Malcolm Biles and Steve Medway for preparing the beacon.

Safety review approval of the proposed permissive path from Crafhole to Trethill.

Following ongoing concerns raised by Portwrinkle parishioners and the Cleaning staff at the Public toilets; and after a period of Public consultation; we have revised the Portwrinkle Parking Order to include:

"No overnight parking of mobile homes and campers between 11pm and 8am" -which can now be officially enforced.

Also, slightly increased the summer parking tariffs, to fund the running costs of the devolved Public toilets/flowerbeds and car park and accrue funds for future upgrades and repairs: thus continuing to ensure that parishioners do not fund any of these costs via the parish precept and the Public toilets remain open.

Working with Torpoint Town Council and St Germans and Cornwall Council, achieved a Safety review by Cornwall Council of the A374. Awaiting funding and implementation of plans by Cornwall Council.

Undertook a series of repairs and replacements in the Play Park following recommendations from The Play park Inspection Co.

Safety review approval of use of the roadside verge on A374 from Ladywell to Sheviok Lane and we have submitted a bid for grant funding from the Community Highways Infrastructure programme (CHIP) - awaiting to hear result and need final approval by highways for the use of the verge.

Undertook a public consultation regarding the Dogs on beach Order, seasonal ban.

Following the responses and comments submitted - which were predominantly in favour of the current restrictions, it was agreed not to seek changes and to continue with the current Cornwall Council dog ban times: from 10am to 6pm, July and August, on the Harbour and Hoodny beach.

We've repaired steps on Finnygook lane footpath and re-routed Ambers' way, to avoid subsidence. Thanks to Myself and Steve Medway for organising and implementing.

Although there is no legal requirement to do so, we have worked with Antony Estate to resupply beach safety rescue equipment on Finnygook beach; followed by a RNLI Beach

Safety Assessment, with the aim to implement their recommendations by working with landowners to install clearer safety signage for the benefit of parishioners and visitors.

Cllr Court successfully updated the Emergency Plan.

St Mary's cemetery transferral of maintenance formally agreed between Cornwall Council and Diocese.

Clearance and reopening of Polbathic footway to Trerulefoot on the A374 westbound which was a joint effort from the cluster of councils and Kate Ewert - applying pressure to the relevant stakeholders.

Crafhole Phone box has been refurbished and reinstated as a tourist information kiosk.

New Parish Council website and Cllr email addresses are live.

Repairs completed to harbour wall and walkway.

And last but not least, re-location of the village shop to Sheviok Memorial Hall.

So thank you to you all for your time, dedication and determination.

Thanks also to Kate Ewert for all her support during my first term and the same to my fellow councillors.

Special thanks to Nancy for keeping me legal and on track and for her tenacity, dedication and professionalism.

and thanks to Steve for our maintenance needs, Gary our dog warden, Dean the grass cutter and Francis our cleaning operative.

It has been a pleasure serving with you all.