

Pillaton Parish Council

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Wednesday 7th Oct 2026 - PUBLIC MEETING

Present: Councillor Dolley (Chairman)

Councillors: Bridgman, Bunkum, Floyd, Moore & Warne (Vice Chairman)

Also in attendance:

Christopher Cook - Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer.
Jim Gale – Cornwall Councillor

Members of the public: 4

Members of the public were permitted to speak on each Agenda item for a period of 3 minutes. This meeting was advertised as the Public Meeting of the Parish Council and as such could be filmed or recorded by broadcasters, the media, and members of the public. The public were advised that whilst every effort is taken to ensure that members of the public would not be filmed, it could not be guaranteed.

Minutes 7th Oct 2026

444. Chair's Welcome & Announcements

**Cllr Dolley (Chair) welcomed Councillors to the Meeting.
There were three members of the public present.**

Health and Safety housekeeping rules were delivered and social distancing (Covid-19) measures where appropriate were observed.

No one intended recording the meeting.

445. Public participation

No public participation.

446. To receive apologies (LGA 1972 s.85 (1))

Cllr. Johnson (apologies).

447. Declarations of Interest

Councillors Resolved that no Councillors declared any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests.

Councillors Resolved that no Councillors were liable for written Dispensations or Gifts.



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448. To approve the Minutes of the Public Meeting 1st September 2026.

Cllr Floyd proposed, Cllr Bunkum seconded that the draft Minutes were an accurate record.
All agreed.

Councillors Resolved to approve the draft Minutes 1st Sept 2026.

449. Matters arising from the draft Minutes for report purposes only.

No matters arising.

Councillors Resolved to note.

450. A report from Cornwall Councillor James Gale

Cllr Gale reported as follows-

- The National Planning Policy framework and Local Plan in conjunction are under review – likely sweeping changes to planning development decisions with travellers having unrestricted development rights. Local Plan is out for public consultation 6th Oct to 16th Nov 2026.
- Cornwall Council Planners are identifying sites in order to meet Housing targets in accordance with capacity available. Housing developments between 5-10 houses will increase.
- Let's Talk Cornwall survey to commence to address anti-social behaviour (ASB). Views from the public are sought.
- Rural bus routes under review to address non financially viable routes.

Councillors Resolved to note this report.

451. Finance

Finance

(i) Accounts for approval October 2026 = £571.67

(ii) Bank reconciliation balance £4,554 as at 7th October 2026

(iii) Account 1 = £3,659 / Account 2 = £ 895

(iv) Receipts 2026/2027 £5,375 / Payments 2026/2027 £3,024 (excludes credit & debit for play equipment donation £16,672)

Proposed Cllr Dolley (Chairman), seconded Cllr Moore. All agreed.

Councillors Resolved to approve the payments for 7th October 2026.

452. Planning

New Planning Applications – None received

Application link <http://planning.cornwall.gov.uk/online-applications>

Planning Application Decisions – One received

Application PA26/03454

Location Rowse Farm Pillaton Saltash Cornwall PL12 6QU

Proposal Listed building consent for the replacement of 3 defective Casement windows



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Application PA26/03454 Approved 14th September 2026

Planning Application – For information – None received

Planning Application received after Agenda has been issued – None received

Councillors Resolved to note all Planning matters.

453. Chairman's items – Recreation Field maintenance

Cllr Dolley advised that the only matter outstanding was the RoSPA play equipment inspection.

The Parish Clerk advised that he was in communication with RoSPA and that the next annual inspection will take place in April 2027 at a cost of £84 +Vat.

Councillors Resolved to note this report.

454. Councillor's reports

Defibrillator – no report

Fly-tipping – no further incidents

Playground equipment – See item 453 above.

The (RFO) confirmed that the Playing Field support group had kindly credited the Parish Council bank account with the surplus equipment fund of £251.72. This amount will be a ringfenced budget to fund and maintain play equipment and assets in the future. The value of the new play equipment will be added to the Parish Council's assets list for insurance and audit purposes.

Safeguarding – no further incidents

Neighbourhood Development Plan & Parish Plan – deferred until May 2027 (see item 422)

455. Other Councillor reports – Cllr Moore advised that a resident had complained about the overhanging brambles and undergrowth at Briar's Ryn. Councillors concluded that it would be the most expedient option to clear the pathway and Cllrs Dolley & Bridgman would investigate the issue further.

Councillors Resolved to note this report.

456. Correspondence to the Clerk – details as circulated to all Councillors.

457. Clerk's items

Clerk's items – draft Budget & Precept 2027/2028

Draft figures were circulated to Councillors for discussion and resolution at the November meeting. The draft suggested a small annual increase of £400 to the Budget & Precept levels.



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Budget amount £5,650 & Precept amount £5,650. Confirmation by Motion 3rd November 2026

Revised Contract of Employment for Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer

Section 10 Pay & Benefits of the Contract of Employment were amended in line with the NJC pay award 1st April 2026 and as advised by the SLCC as the recommended Conditions of the Contract.

CALC Conference report as circulated to all Councillors.

The Parish Clerk discussed some of the subjects as included in the CALC report, primarily surrounding Planning matters, annual Audits & Data Protection (GDPR) regulations.

Councillors Resolved to note all matters.

458. The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be the Public Meeting to be held at the village hall be on the 3rd November 2026 commencing at 7:00pm

459. Meeting closed at 20:05

Signed Chairman Cllr Dolley..... Date.....

Signed Vice Chair Cllr Warne..... Date.....



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