



Stoke Climsland Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of Stoke Climsland Parish Council held in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Monday, January 19, 2026

1. a. To note councillors present

Cllrs S Ross (chair); R Davies (vice chair); S Cazaly, C Smith; B Langsford; M Williams; M Howlett; B Lightfoot; and D Crawley. Also in attendance: Cllr A Parsons; S Cleave, clerk and four members of the public.

b. Apologies

Cllr T Selwood.

c. To note other absence

None.

2. Declarations and Dispensations

None.

3. Council meetings of December 2025 and January 2026

Two amendments were made to the December meeting minutes. Cllr Davies said he agreed to write a business case and not a playground strategy. The resolution for the Lockett car park damage was proposed by Cllr Langsford.

Councillors voted to approve the amendments.

Proposed: S Cazaly

Seconded: R Davies

Votes: Eight in favour, one abstention

Councillors approved the minutes (with amendments) of the full council meeting held on November 24, 2025.

Proposed: B Lightfoot

Seconded: B Langsford

Votes: Eight in favour, one abstention

Councillors also noted the minutes of the Neighbourhood Development Plan committee and the Carbon Zero committee meetings, both held on January 13, 2026.

4. Public session

One resident spoke about some possible ideas for the Highway Improvement Programme submission. He made a couple of points – firstly the 60mph sign being too close to the school. Secondly, he found on a number of occasions that people use the junction by the school to Venterdon to turn round to go to Callington. However, there are cars often parked on the junction. The cars trying to reverse can't make it and have to reverse – but there are parents and children crossing. He felt a solution would be a short strip of double yellow lines to stop people parking on the corner. Another resident said there were a number of black bags by the bin at the bus stop. Cllr Ross suggested everyone keeps a look to see if it is full. The clerk will order some gloves and black bin bags and give them to Cllr Cazaly, who said he would have a look.

5. Planning

1. Applications for comment

PA25/09639 - Non-Material Amendment in relation to Decision Notice PA24/05068 dated 30.01.2025 -

Condition 4 - change in fence and hedge design to the South East boundary only; Condition 6 - building to

Passive House Standards rather than SAP details; Condition 4 - Increase in garden area; Condition 6 - building to Passive House standards to optimise efficiency. Joysview, Higher Downgate.
Councillors voted to support the application.

Proposed: R Davies

Seconded: S Cazaly

Votes: Unanimous

2. Decisions to be noted

None.

3. For information

None.

6. Report from Cornwall Councillor Adrian Parsons

Cllr Parsons said Cornwall Council had announced a draft budget. There is more money for some areas – Adult Social Care; frontline services; transport and the fire service. There will also be some additional money for roads, potholes and gulleys. Cllr Parsons said there are consultations for some things, including car parking charges. One example is the proposed introduction of car parking charges at Kit Hill, which was gifted to the people of Cornwall to celebrate the birth of Prince William. Charges would go against the spirit of the gift. He is trying to get hold of some legal documents to see where they stand. Cllr Parsons said he had a meeting with Ian Fidler from Cornwall Council about speeding at the top of Downgate. They used some data from satellites to find out the average speed of vehicles. Data showed average speeds were in the mid-30s, and there was concern that if you put a 40mph speed limit there, you may drive speeds up. He asked the parish council for their thoughts. He also spoke about residents' concerns about issues in Stoke Climsland around school time with parking. Lastly, he said the proposed increase of the 80p Tamar Tag standing charge to £2 has been put on hold for the moment.

The proposed charges were discussed by councillors (the news came in after the publication of the agenda, but as replies need to be in by February 4, it was felt to be an emergency item). Cllr Ross said if there are car park charges going up Kit Hill, people are going to be parking on the roads, and if there are problems, they will call the police. There will be knock-on problems at Florence Road Industrial Estate; the footpath by the Engine House; by Louis tea rooms and the road on the blind bend. Cllr Langsford added that there will be knock on effects in Lockett and Broadgate as people look for other places. Cllr Howlett said the Tamar Valley had made an official objection. Walking at Kit Hill is advertised for health and wellbeing. He noted that two thirds of Kit Hill is in Stoke Climsland parish. He questioned the costs of implementing charging machines or a warden. Cllr Howlett also raised the ecological issues with people possibly parking on historic grounds. It was proposed to submit an objection to the charges, listing the reasons against the plans.

Proposed: M Howlett

Seconded: R Davies

Votes: Eight in favour, one abstention

7. Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted: Golberdon affordable housing meeting notes; Cornwall bus services survey; road closure intention - Langston Hill, B3257 between Lime Tree Way and Tremollett Road and B3257 between Tremollett Road and junction North East Of Clampit, Coads Green, B3257 between junction North West of Kersbrook Cross and Almar, B3257 between Bray Shop and Taylor Shop, Bray Shop and B3257 between Taylor Shop and the A388 between Penpill and Launceston Road, South Hill (February 16 to 20 7.30am to 5pm). The council also received correspondence about 4x4 vehicles driving along Pound Lane. The clerk will reply and say that it is unable to do anything unless we know who it is, but to please advise the council if it continues.

8. 20mph proposals – to receive an update.

Correspondence from Cornwall Council was noted. Councillors asked for contact to be made with Highways to ask if replacement 'horse' signs could be erected at Higher Downgate. There was also a

request for a request for the flood warning sign at Broadgate crossroads to be replaced (post is still there, just the sign is missing).

9. Play equipment – to review the development of a play park strategy (ref: Cllr Davies' email).

Cllr Davies reiterated that there needs to be a plan in writing on what the council is going to do, how it will be maintained, the demand for play equipment. The council also needs a strategy for its youth. Cllrs Langsford, Cazaly, Williams and Smith will get together to look at how the council can get this started.

10. IT strategy – to resolve to move to gov.uk emails and website.

Councillors looked at three quotes for gov.uk website and email provision. It was firstly agreed for the council to move to gov.uk.

Proposed: S Ross

Seconded: R Davies

Votes: Unanimous

Councillors resolved to go with Westernweb for the new council gov.uk website and emails.

Proposed: D Crawley

Seconded: M Williams

Votes: Unanimous

11. Highway Improvement Programme – to discuss submitting an expression of interest.

It was resolved to submit an expression of interest for the Highway Improvement Programme – the submission would include changing the speed limit from 60mph to 30mph at Kingston, and implementing double yellow lines by the social club field and across the other side of the road to enable buses and vehicles to turn.

Proposed: R Davies

Seconded: B Lightfoot

Votes: Unanimous

12. Grit bins – to discuss provision in the parish.

It was noted that the grit bins had not been filled by Cornwall Council. The clerk will go back and ask for them to be filled.

13. Neighbourhood Development Plan - to receive an update.

Cllr Davies gave an update of the NDP. The consultation period has ended, and responses have been read and collated. At the February meeting, the parish council will be presented with the final version.

14. Treovis Farm – to discuss concerns about waste.

Councillors discussed a complaint raised about the black bin bags that had collected, and rubbish that had been spread after foxes ripped the bags. It was agreed that Lucketts residents should complain to the Environmental Health department of Cornwall Council, and send a letter to the letting agents.

15. Work Plan

- a) Asset Management working party
This will be deferred until February.
- b) Carbon Zero Committee
This will be deferred until February.
- c) Footpath working group
This will be deferred until February.
- d) Communications working group
This will be deferred until February.

16. Finance

- a. To **approve** the Payments Schedule for January 2026

| Payment – January | Amount |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| S Cleave – clerk’s salary (inc HMRC PAYE) | As per contract |
| S Cleave – clerk’s mileage | £ 12.60 |
| Parish Online subscription | £ 108.00 |
| Bleed Control UK Ltd – annual fee for installed bleed control kits | £ 96.00 |
| The Old School – room hire (Nov 12 and Nov 29) | £ 25.00 |
| S Cleave – six second class stamps | £ 5.22 |

Councillors approved the payments and accounts.

Proposed: S Cazaly

Seconded: R Davies

Votes: Unanimous

- b. To **note** cash flow year to date – this was noted by councillors.
- c. Volunteer for finance scrutiny for the next meeting – Cllr Lightfoot.
- d. To note increase in Unity Bank charges from February – this would increase from £6 to £7.
- e. To note set up charge for entry into the Local Government Pension Scheme – this was noted by councillors.

17. Items for next agenda

Start time of meetings; Neighbourhood Development plan.

18. Date and time of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday, February 16 (location TBC).

19. Exclusion of members of the public and press. To resolve that under s1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items as it involves the likely discussion of confidential information.

Councillors resolved to move into the closed session.

Proposed: R Davies

Seconded: B Lightfoot

Votes: Unanimous

20. HR Committee meeting

Councillors received the HR Committee’s recommendations following the appraisal of the clerk. This included the increase of pay scale by two points, as agreed at appointment; an extra two hours per week specifically for CiLCA training and to bring back any beneficial training to the council for discussion.

Proposed: B Lightfoot

Seconded: S Ross

Votes: Unanimous

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.