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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Electors held on Thursday 26th June 2025, at St Erth School, School Lane, St Erth commencing at 7.00pm

Present:

St Erth Parish Council: Cllrs N Player (Chair) & F Drew (Clerk). **Speakers:** PC Joe Magurean, Jon Barrett (St Erth Feast Committee), S Tallon (St Erth Residents Association), D Tilby (St Erth Church Hall Committee), V Hocking (St Erth Methodist Chapel Committee). **Members of the Public:** 29 including 5 Parish Councillors

1. Welcome and Introduction

Nastassia Player, Chair of St Erth Parish Council, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday 23rd May

The minutes were noted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

3. Community Policing

PC Joe Magurean from the Hayle Neighbourhood Policing Team attended and reported that he is currently working closely with the Parish Council and is here to support the community with issues like crime, anti-social behaviour etc. He is aware of recent issues in St Erth which involve a small number of individuals and there is ongoing action in the background in relation to this. He advised that he doesn't believe any one individually is at any risk of harm as a result of recent incidents and gave advice regarding the best way to report issues e.g. call 999 (emergency with an imminent threat e.g. offender still on scene), call 101 (time critical but not urgent), 101 online (everything else). He then spent half an hour answering questions from residents, noting that whilst he would like to be able to be in St Erth more, he is currently working on his own covering the whole of the Hayle area. Things discussed included street wardens, community neighbourhood watch, CCTV, hotspots, community speed watch, abandoned cars, parental support, antisocial behaviour. PC Magurean advised that he will be visiting St Erth with Jon Sweet from the Antisocial Behaviour team on 2nd July and would be happy to speak to any residents while there.

4. St Erth Primary School

Bill Coleman, Head, was unable to attend but had submitted a report which Nastassia Player read out – a full copy of the report can be found [here](#).

5. St Erth Feast & Lights Committees

Jon Barrett, Feast Committee, reported that the Christmas meal and fundraising event had taken place as usual. The rest of the events are not currently getting much support so anyone prepared to help support we need some new younger people to get involved and help put on events.

Bob Young, Chair of the Lights Committee, was unable to attend but had submitted a report which the Clerk read out – a full copy of the report can be found [here](#).

6. St Erth Residents Association (SERA)

Stacey Tallon, Chair of SERA, reported that she has recently taken over from Derek Tilby as Chair. They haven't made any progress as far as new members are concerned and there are no plans as yet but have some ideas and if anyone would like to come and join please let us know. Means of communication and the value of having an active Residents Association were then discussed.

7. St Erth Concert Band

No report was available but George Lawy who had been Director for 27 years noted that it was sad that there was not enough support for the band and that it is a golden opportunity to learn to play an instrument with a collection of instruments available free to loan.

8. St Erth Methodist Chapel Hall

Viv Hocking, a Committee member, gave a report outlining the activities that take place regularly at the Hall – a full copy of the report can be found [here](#).

9. St Erth Church Hall & Church

Derek Tilby, Committee member, gave a report outlining the activities the Hall is used for, noting that £4,000 has been spent this year on having the floor sanded and revarnished – a full copy of the report can be found [here](#).

Frank Nolan, gave a report on behalf of St Erth Church thanking the Parish Council for the grant received for Wi-Fi installation and looking at the next steps to install a conference video system to allow live-streaming of weddings, funerals etc. The potential for CCTV installation was noted and the Church is currently working to extend the Wi-Fi to the Methodist Chapel Hall which still requires some fundraising. A full copy of the report can be found [here](#).

10. Cornwall Council

Cornwall Councillor John Martin gave a report advising the community how they could contact him and what committees he is involved in – a full copy of the report can be found [here](#).

11. Parish Council Annual report

Councillor Nastassia Player, Chair of St Erth Parish Council gave a report about the Parish Council over the past year – a full copy of the report can be found [here](#).

12. Questions from members of the electorate

Questions / issues were raised regarding:

- St Erth Riverside & Regeneration Access Project – a resident thanked the Parish Council for completing this wonderful project, noting that it is a fantastic amenity for all. Another resident queried with regard to issues in relation to the lack of an accessible gate to the Nature Park as it only opens one way which will be reviewed by the Council.

- Community Speed Watch – the Clerk gave a brief update on a request from a resident who is keen to set up and co-ordinate a Community Speed Watch group, and advised that information was available on how to do this. If anyone is interested in volunteering to join this, please contact the Clerk. A resident suggested involving the School in this.
- Noticeboard – a resident queried if the board at the end of Green Lane Park was just for Parish Council use or if the community could use it and the community board outside the pub was discussed.
- The Chair thanked the Clerk, on behalf of the Councillors and the residents, for everything she does for the parish.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:27pm.

Signed: _____ Chair

Date: _____

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