

Antony Parish Council

**Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held at
Wilcove Community Hall on Thursday 3rd Sept 2026 at 7pm.**

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Peter Bulmer (Chairman)
Cllr John Murray (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Diana Coward
Cllr Paddy Knott
Cllr Tony Lobb

In Attendance: Toni Baker (Clerk and RFO), Cllr Kate Ewert and two members of the public.

Cllr Bulmer opened the meeting at 7.00pm

55.26 Apologies for absence
None

56.26 Public Forum
None

57.26 Declarations of Interest relating to items on the agenda
None declared

58.26 County Councillor's report
Cllr Kate Ewert advised it has been quiet for the summer holidays. She spoke of the Prime Minister's recent visit to Cornwall and stated that Cornwall will remain a standalone strategic authority. Cllr Ewert advised that Cornwall Council will not introduce a mayor which could have negative financial consequences. She advised that anyone with strong feelings about this should write to the leader of Cornwall Council.

Cllr Ewert spoke about the National Priorities Statement (NPS) and advised that an online meeting will be held with the other Rame parishes to hear the experiences of a council that has completed a NPS.

Cllr Ewert noted that Millbrook, Maker with Rame and St. Germans were all successful in being awarded support from the Community Highways Scheme.

Cllr Ewert spoke of the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) where residents were encouraged to submit their input. This has now been published and will be used to support funding applications.

A few residents had contacted Cllr Ewert regarding the cars around Hollong Park. She has been speaking with residents there and advised that Cornwall Housing will be writing to residents to inform them on parking expectations. Cornwall Housing is also undertaking a review of the garages in Antony.

Cllr Bulmer raised an issue that the bus timetable has been removed from the bus stop opposite the pub in Antony. Additionally the installation of the digital screen has not been completed yet. Cllr Ewert will investigate this.

Cllr Murray raised the issue of the out-of-use toilets on the ferry. Cllr Ewert advised that recommissioning the shoreside toilets is being explored.

Cllr Ewert left the meeting at 7.20pm

59.26 Approval of minutes for the meeting held on 16th July 2026

The Council resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 16th July 2026 are an accurate record. Proposed: Cllr Murray, Seconded: Cllr Coward.

60.26 Matters Arising

a. Playgrounds

The clerk advised that 19 responses have been received for the play area survey. The installation of a bird deterrent on the swing was discussed however the council concluded that it would create an unnecessary hazard.

Cllrs Lobb and Bulmer advised that climbing equipment has been requested for the Antony play area.

Clerk to finalise a National Lottery grant application and send to the councillors prior to submission.

b. Issue of dog fouling in the Antony Village car park

The quote from Cornwall Council for the installation and servicing of a dog waste bin was discussed and considered too expensive.

Cllr Bulmer suggested the installation of CCTV in hot spot areas. More information is required before a decision is made.

c. Neighbourhood Priorities Statement (NPS)

This was discussed with Cllr Ewert, see minute 58.26.

d. Wilcove Permissive Footpath

Cllr Knott advised that the permissive footpath is now clear and being used.

e. Benches in Antony Woodland

Clerk advised that Antony Estates is investigating this.

f. Wilcove Lane Byway

Cllr Knott advised the lower section from Shadows to Maryfield House is overgrown and becoming too narrow. Cllr Knott has reported it, Clerk to follow this up.

g. Telephone Box

Cllr Knott asked Cllr Murray to reinstall the shelving. When it is up and running as a book library, the Wilcove Community Association will seek volunteers to maintain it.

h. Wilcove Pump

Antony Estates have agreed to the parish council seeking quotes for the works. Clerk to action.

61.26 Policies

The council reviewed and unanimously approved the following policies.

- a. Privacy Notice
- b. Complaints Policy

62.26 Correspondence

a. Dowl Glan Campaign and the response from South West Water

The council decided not to support the vote of no confidence against South West Water.

b. Letter requesting funding support from Tamar Community Trust

The council considered the request and resolved not to support the funding request at this time.

c. Grant Application from Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust

The council considered the request and resolved to support it with £200 funding.

63.26 Finance 2026/2027 (Appendix 1)

The council reviewed and resolved to unanimously approve the following reports:

- a Payments approved/to be approved**
- b Solar Community benefit fund**
- c Asset Register**
- d Bank reconciliation report**
- e Management report**

64.26 Planning Applications 2026/2027

- a. The council reviewed planning application PA26/05475.

Resolved: The council agreed they had no objection to this application. Clerk to register the position on the Cornwall planning portal.

- b. The council reviewed planning application PA26/05884.

Resolved: The council agreed they had no objection to this application. Clerk to register the position on the Cornwall planning portal.

Planning Applications	2026/27	Validated	Application outcome (from Cornwall council)
PA26/05475	Antony Woodland Gardens	05/08/2026	
PA26/05884	Caradon View, Antony	24/08/2026	

- Any additional planning applications received after 26th August 2026

65.26 Unity Bank Mandate changes

The council unanimously authorised the change of the named administrator of the accounts to Antonia (Toni) Baker, clerk of Antony Parish Council.

66.26 MOD tree removal activities

Cllr Bulmer pointed out that the tree removal, carried out in June, took place at around 9pm. It was suggested that on the next occasion we ask the MOD to carry out the activity at an earlier time.

67.26 Councillor email accounts

The council considered a .gov email account for councillors and approved the £77 cost for parish council email addresses. Proposed: Cllr Murray, Seconded: Cllr Bulmer. Clerk to arrange.

68.26 Revised NALC Local Government Service Pay Agreement 2026/2027

The council noted the new pay agreement.

69.26 Councillor vacancy and co-option

The council invited the two candidates to introduce themselves before a ballot was taken. Kevin Gilbert received 5 votes, Ellie Penhollow received 0 votes. The council **resolved** to co-opt Kevin Gilbert.

70.26 Items to Note

None

71.26 Date of next Parish Council meeting

Thursday 15th October, 7pm, Antony Village Hall.

Cllr Bulmer closed the meeting at 8:37pm

Appendix 1

Finance 2026/2027

a. Payments approved/to be approved

Payments July - Sept 2025	Cheque no	Gross	Vat	Ex vat
David Ralph	300127	£200.00		£200.00
Cornwall ALC (CALC conference)	300128	£135.00	£22.50	£112.50
Toni Baker Clerking Aug 2026	300129	£601.19		£601.19
HMRC Employers National Insurance	300130	£18.37		£18.37
Cornwall ALC (Data Protection courses 1-3)	300131	£126.00	£21.00	£105.00
Mr L Parsons	300132	£145.00		£145.00
Western Web	300133	£102.00	£17.00	£85.00
Total		£1,225.56	£43.50	£1,182.06
Payments to be approved, subject to invoice		Gross	Vat	Ex vat
Any additional invoices received in Sept/Oct 2026				
Invoices for Grass Control				
Clerking Sept & Oct 2026 subject to invoice				

b. Solar Community Benefit Fund report as on 26/08/26

Solar Farm Community Benefit Fund as at 26/08/2026

Antony allocation available 26/08/2026	£2,245.95
Wilcove allocation available 26/08/2026	£971.60
Total Solar fund available	£3,217.55

Expenditure 2026-2027	Net
Trevor Byrne - Painting of Wilcove phone box	£570.00
Total expenditure 2026/27	£570.00

Pending: £100 to Antony School Association (50% from each village allocation as resolved at the meeting on 16/07/26)

c. Asset Register as on 26/08/26

ASSET REGISTER as at 26/08/2026

Date	Item	Purchase Value
Pre Apr-15	Play equipment in Antony	£7,199
Pre Apr-15	Bus Shelter	£8,958
Pre Apr-15	Public seats	£1,780
Pre Apr-15	Play equipment in Wilcove	£6,500
Pre Apr-15	Signs	£85
Pre Apr-15	Telephone box x 2	£2
Jul-15	Neighbourhood watch signs	£80
Oct-15	Wilcove Sign	£304
May-16	Playground equipment (the Buzz in Antony play area)	£2,010
May-19	Bench	£199
Oct-20	Bench	£1,047
Nov-20	Signs Covid	£96
Dec-20	Grit bins (x6)	£450
Jun-21	Replacement swing seats (Antony play area)	£367
Sep-21	Play equipment Antony (rota net climber)	£7,031
Dec-21	Dog signs	£4
Mar-22	Wilcove play equipment (obstacle course)	£5,764.00
May-22	Signs	£146
Jul-22	Defibrillators x 2 (Wilcove)	£2,800
Sep-22	Signage	£11
Sep-23	Mirror replacement	£50
Sep-23	Mirror fitting	£17
Sep-23	Donation of play equipment to Antony	£1
Jan-24	Wilcove planters	£246.00
May-24	Noticeboards	£2,032.00
Oct-24	Noticeboard (Antony)	£1,016.00
Mar-25	ASUS Laptop & bag (for new clerk)	£344.98
Jul-25	USB Flash drive (for laptop back up)	£6.94
Feb-26	Wilcove play equipment (swing)	£4,524.00
Mar-26	Defibrillators x 2 (Wilcove) + cabinets	£2,010.00
	TOTAL	£55,081

d. Bank reconciliation report as on 26/08/26

Date on bank statement	BANK RECONCILIATION 2026/27	CHEQUE	Payments Dr	Receipts Cr	Total funds
	Adjusted bank accounts 31/3/2026				£13,575.15
	Uncleared from 2025/2026				
08/04/2026	HMRC Employers National Insurance	300099	£17.07		-£17.07
	Start of 2026/2027				£13,575.15
09/04/2026	Cornwall Council (Precept)			£9,500.00	£23,075.15
13/04/2026	HMRC VAT refund			£758.22	£23,833.37
05/05/2026	Lynher Valley Partnership - Childrens play area rent	300100	£35.00		£23,798.37
05/05/2026	Lynher Valley Partnership - Wilcove moorings & foreshore rent	300101	£441.00		£23,357.37
05/05/2026	Lynher Valley Partnership - Antony Bus Shelter rent	300102	£25.00		£23,332.37
23/04/2026	David Ralph (DR Grounds) - Grass cutting	300103	£545.00		£22,787.37
30/04/2026	CALC Subscription	300104	£344.87		£22,442.50
27/04/2026	Linda Coles (Internal Audit)	300105	£195.00		£22,247.50
06/05/2026	HMRC Employers National Insurance	300106	£18.37		£22,229.13
28/04/2026	Toni Baker Clerking April 2026	300107	£690.69		£21,538.44
30/04/2026	Bank service charge (30/04/26)		£7.00		£21,531.44
15/05/2026	David Ralph	300108	£385.00		£21,146.44
22/05/2026	The Play Inspection Company	300109	£660.00		£20,486.44
20/05/2026	Western Web	300110	£54.00		£20,432.44
07/07/2026	Wilcove Community Association - Hall Rent Sept '25 - May '26	300111	£80.00		£20,352.44
28/06/2026	Toni Baker Clerking May 2026	300112	£618.61		£19,733.83
31/05/2026	Bank service charge (31/05/26)		£7.00		£19,726.83
01/06/2026	HMRC Employers National Insurance	300113	£18.37		£19,708.46
23/06/2026	David Ralph	300114	£345.00		£19,363.46
12/06/2026	London Hearts	300115	£82.80		£19,280.66
30/06/2026	Bank service charge (30/06/26)		£7.00		£19,273.66
30/06/2026	Bank interest			£5.03	£19,278.69
02/07/2026	Mr L Parsons	300116	£220.00		£19,058.69
02/07/2026	Mr L Parsons	300116	£190.00		£18,868.69
06/07/2026	Trevor Byrne - Painting of Wilcove phone box	300117	£570.00		£18,298.69
Cancelled	Toni Baker Clerking June 2026 (cheque cancelled)	300118	£0.00		£18,298.69
02/07/2026	HMRC Employers National Insurance	300119	£18.37		£18,280.32
07/07/2026	David Ralph	300120	£385.00		£17,895.32
03/07/2026	Toni Baker Clerking June 2026	300121	£609.61		£17,285.71
27/07/2026	ICO subscription	300122	£52.00		£17,233.71
28/07/2026	Toni Baker Clerking July 2026	300123	£599.30		£16,634.41
28/07/2026	David Ralph	300124	£172.50		£16,461.91

21/07/2026	HMRC Employers National Insurance	300125	£18.37		£16,443.54
31/07/2026	Wilcove Gardeners Group	300126	£100.00		£16,343.54
31/07/2026	Bank service charge (31/07/26)		£7.00		£16,336.54
07/08/2026	David Ralph	300127	£200.00		£16,136.54
	Cornwall ALC (CALC conference)	300128	£135.00		£16,001.54
	Toni Baker Clerking Aug 2026	300129	£601.19		£15,400.35
	HMRC Employers National Insurance	300130	£18.37		£15,381.98
	Cornwall ALC (Data Protection courses 1-3)	300131	£126.00		£15,255.98
	Mr L Parsons	300132	£145.00		£15,110.98

Total			£8,727.42	£10,263.25
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Unity 26/08/2026	Current	£15,097.87
Unity 26/08/2026	Deposit	£1,038.67
Uncleared items		-£880.56

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE 26/08/2026 **£15,255.98**

Solar benefit funds available 26/08/2026 **£3,217.55**

PARISH COUNCIL FUNDS AVAILABLE 26/08/2026 **£12,038.43**

e. Management report as on 26/08/26

ANTONY PARISH COUNCIL		
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS 2026-27 as 26/08/2026	Budget	Actual
Including Solar Community Benefit Fund	2026/27	2026/27
RECEIPTS	£	£
Brought Forward	£13,575	£13,575
Precept	£19,000	£9,500
Wilcove Moorings	£491	£0
Grants	£0	£0
Ict donation	£0	£0
VAT refund	£500	£758
Solar Benefit fund	£3,083	£0
Donations	£0	£0
Bank Interest	£50	£5
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£23,124	£10,263
PAYMENTS	£	£
VAT	£1,000	£245
Playground/ noticeboard / Phone box maintenance and repairs	£2,000	£550
Salaries	£6,500	£2,789
Training/ Subscriptions	£500	£562
Antony & Wilcove Grass control/plants	£4,300	£2,688
Hall Rent	£250	£80
Bus shelter rent	£50	£25
Children's Play area rent	£35	£35
Wilcove play area rent	£2	£0
Wilcove Moorings	£441	£441
Website / Ict equipment/software	£250	£116
Chairmans fund	£100	£0
Audit fee	£200	£195
Section 137	£500	£0
Solar benefit fund	£3,083	£570
Misc/ Signs/ Wilcove pump	£750	£83
Noticeboard/ Benches	£0	£0
Village celebrations	£100	£0
Election/ reserves	£0	£0
Insurance	£536	£0
Clerking exp	£725	£349
TOTAL PAYMENTS	£23,822	£8,727
Profit/ (Loss)	-£698	£1,536
Carry forward	£12,877	£15,111

Toni Baker - Responsible Financial Officer