

Antony Parish Council

**Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held at
Antony Village Hall on Thursday 15th October 2026 at 7pm.**

MINUTES

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

In Attendance: Toni Baker (Clerk and RFO),

Arrived during the meeting: Cllr Kate Ewert, Tara Watkins and two members of the public (MOP)

Cllr Bulmer opened the meeting at 7.00pm

72.26 Apologies for absence
None

73.26 Public Forum
A member of the public raised that the ivy is covering the church wall and trees. It is understood that the responsibility falls to Cornwall Council. **Action:** Cllrs Coward, Murray and Gilbert will meet at the church to inspect and raise a report with Cornwall Council.

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

Tara Watkins and one MOP arrived at 7.06pm

75.26 Tara Watkins to speak on social prescribing
Tara introduced herself as the Social Prescriber for the Rame Group Practice and Quay Lane Surgery. She advised that her role is to provide support for non-medical issues that might impact someone's health, for example: housing, finance, access requirements, bereavement, carers and infestations. Anyone needing her support can self-refer or be referred through the library.

Tara highlighted particular issues that she has encountered in the area such as loneliness, access to transport, poverty and mental health issues.

Tara also advised that she is looking for male volunteers who would be interested in setting up an 'Andy's man club' locally. Andy's man club runs on a Monday evening and the closest one is in Plymouth.

76.26 Approval of minutes for the meeting held on 3rd September 2026

The Council resolved that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 3rd September 2026 are an accurate record. Proposed: Cllr Murray, Seconded: Cllr Coward.

Cllr Ewert arrived at 7.29pm

77.26 County Councillor's report

Cllr Kate Ewert reminded the council of the Neighbourhood Priorities Statement (NPS) meeting taking place on Monday 19th October. She advised that a councillor from Looe East has developed a tool to help parishes write their NPS.

There have been issues with parking along Horson straight during football matches. Cllr Ewert advised that a different councillor represents that area however she has suggested the club contact Antony Estates to see if a solution to the parking can be found.

Cllr Ewert attended the Cornwall Local Plan engagement session in Torpoint and advised she repeatedly raised how important the Rame Peninsula is and how necessary it is to be considered in the plan.

The bump in the Military Road is having core testing done to identify how many layers of repairs have been carried out. There is a geological fault there and the road has had repairs added on top of repairs.

Cllr Bulmer raised the old petrol station in Antony. Cllr Ewert intends to write to BP to see if they have records of the old tanks and any actions that were taken when the petrol station closed. Antony School have offered to fix up the planter and Cllr Ewert said they are welcome to go ahead with that.

Action: Cllr Bulmer to contact the school.

Action: Cllr Ewert to contact BP.

Lastly, Cllr Ewert advised there has been no further action with the garages in Antony.

78.26 Matters Arising

a. Playgrounds

i. To discuss the damaged benches in Antony play area and consider the repair or replacement of them.

Cllr Bulmer advised that two benches have been damaged and need to be repaired. **Resolved** to approve the repairs, proposed: Cllr Lobb, seconded: Cllr Gilbert

ii. To approve the submission of the National Lottery grant application

The council considered the application **Resolved** Clerk to submit the application, proposed: Cllr Lobb, seconded: Cllr Murray

b. Wilcove Pump

The council considered the quotes provided for the restoration of the wall around the water pump and felling of the trees. The wall and boundary is the responsibility of Antony Estates and the council agreed the works would be too expensive. It was agreed the council would set up a working party to tidy up the area themselves.

c. Flagpoles

Wilcove Community Hall had advised that they would like to have the flagpole mounted on the wall of the community hall. The flagpole will belong to the community hall. Antony Parish Council will donate up to £400 for the flagpole and associated installation costs, funded using the solar benefit fund. Proposed: Cllr Murray, Seconded: Cllr Coward.

79.26 Policies
None

80.26 Correspondence
None

81.26 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 Income report**
- e Bank reconciliation report**
- f Management report**

82.26 Planning Applications 2026/2027

Planning Applications	2026/27	Validated	Application outcome (from Cornwall council)
PA26/05475	Antony Woodland Gardens	05/08/2026	Approved (30/09/26)
PA26/05884	Caradon View, Antony	24/08/2026	Approved (11/09/26)

- Any additional planning applications received after 7th October 2026

83.26 Cornish Language Policy

The council considered what could be included in a Cornish Language policy and what already happens through Cornwall Council. The parish council fully supports everyone's individual choice in relation to using the Cornish language but resolved not to introduce this as a policy for the parish council.

84.26 Bank Mandate Changes

The council unanimously authorised the change in the internal authorisation levels to allow the Clerk to transfer funds between current and deposit accounts. External authorisation levels to remain unchanged.

85.26 Fire at Pato Point

Cllr Knott advised that a hire car had been parked in a way that impeded the emergency services attending a fire at Pato Point. Emergency access is required at all times. Cllr Ewert advised that the fire service can conduct an assessment to identify problem spots. **Action:** Cllr Ewert to contact the fire service.

Cllr Ewert and one MOP left the meeting at 8.12pm

86.26 Preliminary Budget Considerations

No significant spends were highlighted by the council.

Cllr Murray advised that the bench in the Wilcove play area needs replacing. **Action:** Clerk to find prices for a new bench.

87.26 Items to Note

Cllr Bulmer and the clerk reported to the council on their attendance at the recent CALC conference. They advised that the conference was worthwhile with some useful learning.

Cllr Lobb highlighted that the grass mats need to be ordered for the Antony play area. **Action:** Cllr Bulmer to order the mats.

88.26 Date of next Parish Council meeting

Thursday 26th November, 7pm, Wilcove Community Hall.

Cllr Bulmer closed the meeting at 8.23pm

Appendix 1

Finance 2026/2027

a. Payments approved/to be approved

Payments Sept - Oct 2026	Cheque no	Gross	Vat	Ex vat
Mr L Parsons	300136	£555.00		£555.00
David Ralph	300137	£292.50		£292.50
Antony School Association	300138	£100.00		£100.00
Toni Baker Clerking Sept 2026	300139	£713.39		£713.39
HMRC Employers National Insurance	300140	£34.59		£34.59
Lynher Valley Partnership - Antony Bus Shelter rent	300141	£25.00		£25.00
Mr L Parsons	300142	£70.00		£70.00
David Ralph	300143	£172.50		£172.50
Sir Richard Carew Pole Estate - Rent for Wilcove play area	300144	£2.00		£2.00
Toni Baker Clerking Oct 2026	300145	£666.65	£1.26	£665.39
HMRC Employers National Insurance	300146	£21.07		£21.07
Total		£2,652.70	£1.26	£2,651.44
Payments, subject to invoice		Gross	Vat	Ex vat
Any additional invoices received in Oct/Nov/Dec 2026				
Invoices for Grass Management				
Clerking Nov 2026 subject to invoice				

+ CALC - Code of conduct training (Kevin Gilbert)
 CALC - Internal controls training (Toni Baker)

300147 * £30.00 (vat £5.00)
 300147 * £42.00 (vat £7.00)
**Payment combined on one cheque*

b. Solar Community Benefit Fund report

Solar Farm Community Benefit Fund as at 07/10/2026

Antony allocation available 07/10/2026	£2,195.95
Wilcove allocation available 07/10/2026	£921.60
Total Solar fund available	£3,117.55

Expenditure 2026-2027	Net
Trevor Byrne - Painting of Wilcove phone box	£570.00
Antony School Association	£100.00
Total expenditure 2026/27	£670.00

c. Asset Register

ASSET REGISTER as at 07/10/2026

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. Income report

Antony Parish Council Income 2026-27							
NAME		Precept	Moorings	Interest	Solar Payment	VAT	TOTAL
Cornwall Council	09/04/2026	£9,500.00					£9,500.00
HMRC VAT refund	13/04/2026					£758.22	£758.22
Bank interest	30/06/2026			£5.03			£5.03
Cornwall Council	07/09/2026	£9,500.00					£9,500.00
Bank interest	30/09/2026			£5.11			£5.11
Wilcove Moorings Association	07/10/2026		£491.00				£491.00
	TOTAL	£19,000.00	£491.00	£10.14	£0.00	£758.22	£20,259.36

e. Bank reconciliation report

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

HMRC Employers National Insurance	300125	£18.37		£16,443.54
Wilcove Gardeners Group	300126	£100.00		£16,343.54
Bank service charge (31/07/26)		£7.00		£16,336.54
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
Bank service charge (31/08/26)		£7.00		£15,393.35
HMRC Employers National Insurance	300130	£18.37		£15,374.98
Cornwall Council (Precept)			£9,500.00	£24,874.98
Cornwall ALC (Data Protection courses 1-3)	300131	£126.00		£24,748.98
Mr L Parsons	300132	£145.00		£24,603.98
Western Web	300133	£102.00		£24,501.98
Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust	300134	£200.00		£24,301.98
Western Web (councillor emails)	300135	£92.40		£24,209.58
Mr L Parsons	300136	£555.00		£23,654.58
David Ralph	300137	£292.50		£23,362.08
Antony School Association	300138	£100.00		£23,262.08
Toni Baker Clerking Sept 2026	300139	£713.39		£22,548.69
HMRC Employers National Insurance	300140	£34.59		£22,514.10
Lynher Valley Partnership - Antony Bus Shelter rent	300141	£25.00		£22,489.10
Bank service charge (30/09/26)		£7.00		£22,482.10
Bank interest			£5.11	£22,487.21
Wilcove Moorings Association			£491.00	£22,978.21
Mr L Parsons	300142	£70.00		£22,908.21
David Ralph	300143	£172.50		£22,735.71
Lynher Valley Partnership - Rent for Wilcove play area	300144	£2.00		£22,733.71
Toni Baker Clerking Oct 2026	300145	£666.65		£22,067.06
HMRC Employers National Insurance	300146	£21.07		£22,045.99

Total	£11,788.52	£20,259.36
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Unity 07/10/2026	Current	£22,290.93
Unity 07/10/2026	Deposit	£1,043.78
Uncleared items		-£1,288.72

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE 07/10/2026	£22,045.99
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Solar benefit funds available 07/10/2026	£3,117.55
PARISH COUNCIL FUNDS AVAILABLE 07/10/2026	£18,928.44

f. Management report

ANTONY PARISH COUNCIL		
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS 2026-27 as 07/10/2026		
Including Solar Community Benefit Fund		
	Budget 2026/27	Actual 2026/27
RECEIPTS	£	£
Brought Forward	£13,575	£13,575
Precept	£19,000	£19,000
Wilcove Moorings	£491	£491
Grants	£0	£0
Ict donation	£0	£0
VAT refund	£500	£758
Solar Benefit fund	£3,083	£0
Donations	£0	£0
Bank Interest	£50	£10
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£23,124	£20,259

PAYMENTS	£	£
VAT	£1,000	£264
Playground/ noticeboard / Phone box maintenance and repairs	£2,000	£550
Salaries	£6,500	£4,050
Training/ Subscriptions	£500	£562
Antony & Wilcove Grass control/plants	£4,300	£3,778
Hall Rent	£250	£80
Bus shelter rent	£50	£50
Children's Play area rent	£37	£37
Wilcove Moorings	£441	£441
Website / Ict equipment/software	£250	£293
Chairmans fund	£100	£0
Audit fee	£200	£195
Section 137	£500	£200
Solar benefit fund	£3,083	£670
Misc/ Signs/ Wilcove pump	£750	£83
Noticeboard/ Benches	£0	£0
Village celebrations	£100	£0
Election/ reserves	£0	£0
Insurance	£536	£0
Clerking exp	£725	£537
TOTAL PAYMENTS	£23,822	£11,789
Profit/ (Loss)	-£698	£8,471
Carry forward	£12,877	£22,046

Toni Baker - Responsible Financial Officer