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Dear Councillor

Monthly Meeting of the Redruth Town Council – 27th April 2026

You are summoned to attend a Meeting of the Redruth Town Council to be held in The Langman Room, Redruth Civic Centre, Alma Place on Monday 27th April 2026. Proceedings will commence at 7:00pm.

The Agenda and associated papers are enclosed for your reference and information.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charlotte Williams".

Charlotte Williams
Town Clerk
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Agenda and associated documentation

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Monthly Meeting of the Redruth Town Council

27th April 2026

AGENDA

PART I - PUBLIC SESSION

1. To receive apologies for absence.
2. Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests (including details thereof) in respect of any item(s) on this Agenda.
3. Public participation session – to enable the public to put questions to the Council relating to any Town Council matters.
4. To receive a report from the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor. (see attached reports)
5. To receive reports from the divisional Cornwall Councillors.
6. To confirm the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council held on 30th March 2026 and the Extraordinary Meeting held on 13th April 2026. (Minutes attached)
7. To receive the Minutes as reports of the following committees and meetings, and to accept and approve the Recommendations and Resolutions contained within the Minutes of the:

Planning Committee – 13th April 2026 (see attached Minutes)
8. To consider the Town Clerk's report. (report attached)
9. To consider a report on the proposed new Grants scheme from the RFO/Deputy Town Clerk. (report attached)
10. To receive a report on the CCTV operation from the RFO/Deputy Town Clerk. (report attached)
11. Youth Council Update. (report attached)
12. To receive brief verbal updates from Members as representatives on outside bodies.
13. To consider and approve the schedule of payments. (see attached schedule)
14. To consider the following Motion;

Proposer: Cllr Kim Cunningham Seconder : Cllr Barbara Ellenbroek Date: 19th April 2026

Motion Title: South West Water latest failures in Redruth.

1. "This Council notes with grave concern the systemic failure of South West Water to manage the sewage system in Cornwall. Despite record bills and government intervention, raw sewage continues to impact our environment and public health. Therefore, this Council resolves:
2. To formally declare a Vote of No Confidence in South West Water.
3. To sign the collective letter to the Secretary of State demanding the removal of South West Water's management through a Special Administration Order.

Formal Letter of No Confidence

TO: Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)

CC: The Chief Executive of Ofwat; The Leader of Cornwall Council; Cornwall's Members of Parliament.

SUBJECT: Formal Vote of No Confidence in South West Water (SWW) and Petition for Special Administration.

To the Secretary of State,

We, the undersigned Town and Parish Councils of Cornwall, representing the residents, businesses, and ecosystems of the Duchy, hereby formally issue this **Vote of No Confidence** in the management of South West Water (SWW).

We are no longer requesting "improvements" or "consultations." South West Water has failed for more than a decade to show its capability and willingness to manage our water and sewage system. We are formally petitioning the Government and Ofwat to remove SWW from the management of the Cornish sewage and water systems, and transfer the ownership and management of our sewage and water system to a publicly-owned organisation, run as a public service.

Our decision is based on a systemic and catastrophic failure in the following three areas:

1. Failure of Infrastructure and Public Health

Despite Cornwall's residents paying the highest water bills in the UK, our coastline and rivers have become conduits for raw sewage. In 2025 and early 2026, we have witnessed unprecedented spill durations that have closed our beaches, impacted our tourism economy, and posed a direct threat to public health. The current management has proven incapable of maintaining a sewage system fit for the 21st century.

2. Financial Mismanagement and Breach of Public Trust

While our constituents face further bill increases this April, SWW continues to prioritise shareholder dividends and executive bonuses over essential capital investment. The "investment plans" touted by the company have repeatedly failed to yield results on the ground, leading to a total breakdown of trust between the utility provider and the Cornish people.

3. Inadequacy of Governance

It is the view of these Councils that SWW's leadership has lost the confidence of the Cornish communities and its "social license" to operate. The repeated fines and enforcement cases from Ofwat have acted as a "cost of doing business" rather than a deterrent. We believe the company is now structurally incapable of delivering the environmental protections required by law.

Our Formal Demand:

We call upon the Government to intervene and make this situation stop at once, using powers such as those granted by the **Water (Special Measures) Act** to remove the offending company from operating in Cornwall. We demand that South West Water be placed into **Special Administration**, stripping the current management of their mandate. We call upon the Government to transition Cornish sewage and water assets into a publicly-owned organisation, run as a public service, answerable to elected representatives of Cornish voters, that will prioritise the Cornish environment and its people over private profit.

Cornish rivers and seas are the lifeblood of our economy and our identity. We will no longer stand by while they are managed into decline.

We await your urgent response regarding the steps you will take to revoke SWW's licence in the Duchy.

Yours faithfully,

[Name of Council]

On behalf of the Collective Councils of Cornwall

PART 11 – PRIVATE SESSION – Exclusion of the Press and Public

The Council is invited to pass the following resolution:- That pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting for the following item of business, by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

15. To receive a presentation from CAD Heritage architects regards the Clocktower.

REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR: Meeting of the Council, Monday 27th April.

1.0 **SUBJECT OF REPORT: Report from Town Mayor, Cllr Alison Biscoe**

2.0 **SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

- a. Policy - No
- b. Financial - No
- c. Legal - No

3.0 **REPORT**

3.1 13/04/26. We had an extraordinary full council meeting, to discuss Cornwall council plans for roadside and paths to be kept clear and accessible. Very interesting debate which resulted in a petition being started (which I hope you have all signed). To give us more time to discuss and find different methods of weed control. We delivered the petition on Tuesday 21 st to Cornwall Council.

3.2. 17/04/26 We attended The Mayors Civic Reception at Camborne Methodist Church
Thank you Cllr James Ball it was an excellent evening.

3.4, 20/04/26 Staffing and Finance Committees

3.5. 22/04/26. ButterMarket,

3.6 23/04/26. Murder Mystery Evening.

3.7. 24//04/26. Redruth School Treleigh Nursery Opening.

Cllr Alison Biscoe
Town Mayor

REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR: Meeting of the Council, Monday 27th April.

1.0 **SUBJECT OF REPORT: Report from Deputy Town Mayor, Cllr Paul Broad**

2.0 **SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

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| a. | Policy | - | No |
| b. | Financial | - | No |
| c. | Legal | - | No |

3.0 **REPORT**

3.1 13/04/26. April 1st: I called Easter Bingo at Redruth Highway Community Hub.

April 3rd: Myself & my consort hosted 140 guests at The Penventon Park Hotel for an evening with boxing legend NIGEL BENN, which was very successful indeed.

April 4th: I was invited by Redruth Bowling Club to roll the first bowl on the green to officially open their new season. Lovely clubhouse with excellent facilities.

April 17th: I, along with The Mayor Alison Biscoe and our consorts attended the Mayors Civic Reception at Camborne Wesley (yes I did ask for a visa!)

There was entertainment from Camborne youth brass band and Holman/Climax Choir, followed by a pasty and saffron cake tea.

Mayor James Ball gave an inspirational speech and it was a most enjoyable event.

April 22nd: I had the honour today of meeting HRH Prince Edward The Duke of Edinburgh who visited the buttermarket. A BIG well done to the directors and volunteers at Redruth Revival for bringing this wonderful project to fruition and helping put Redruth on the map.

April 23rd: Will be the first murder mystery evening at Redruth Library.

I am sure this will be a great success and look forward to future events.

Well done to team RTC for putting this together and not forgetting Richard Williams for writing the script, also a big thank you to all actors who took part.

April 24th: Due to attend the official opening of The 'New' Treleigh Nursery School.

April 25th: Attending the new 'Hub' skills over school project CIC in Penryn street.

April 28th: I've invited our local county councillors to attend Bethel community larder to see first hand the excellent work that goes on there and hopefully secure some community chest funding. Myself & my consort will also be volunteering on the day.

Finally a BIG THANKS to my consort / wife Debbie for continued support in my role as deputy town mayor.

Also thanks to Alison & Charlotte for ongoing support & guidance.

Cllr Paul Broad

Deputy Town Mayor Redruth



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Town Mayor: Cllr A Biscoe

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Redruth Town Council held at Redruth Civic Centre, Alma Place, Redruth on Monday 30th March 2026

Present:

Cllr A Biscoe

Cllr P Broad

Cllr E Allen

Cllr S Barnes

Cllr H Biscoe

Cllr K Cunningham

Cllr B Ellenbroek

Cllr R Jolly

Cllr A Mays

Cllr D Reeve

Cllr M Sellwood

Cllr I Thomas

Chair

In attendance:

Mrs C Williams

Mrs H Bardle

Mrs J Cockerham-Harris

Ms J Turner

Ms C Welsh

Ms L Akerman

Town Clerk

Responsible Finance Officer (RFO)/Deputy Town Clerk(DTC)

Minute Taker

Senior Library Officer

Strategic Projects Officer

Community Liaison Officer

Mr J. Nawras

Police Inspector L. Brown

Cornwall Cllr S Harrison

Cornwall Cllr R Tarrant

Cultural Consortium

There were 10 members of the public in attendance

PART I – PUBLIC SESSION

Cllr A Biscoe read the two statements from Redruth Town Council regarding respectful conduct and audio recording of the meeting for minute taking purposes. Cllr Allen and Redruth Town Council declared they were audio recording the meeting.

- 1657.1 To receive apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllrs Tremayne and Morrison.
- 1657.2 Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests (including details thereof) in respect of any item(s) on this Agenda**
- Cllr Ellenbroek declared an interest in an item in Part 2 (The Bonded Warehouse).
- 1657.3 Public participation session – to enable members of the public to put questions to the Council relating to any items on the agenda.**
- 1657.3.1 Mr T. Schofield asked for the Cllrs to explain the rise in the precept. The RFO answered that expenditure was raised in a variety of areas, as agreed by Cllrs in December. Cllr Selwood stated the actual relative cost to a Band D property for example was minimal in comparison to the percentage number.
- 1657.3.2 Mr P. Deakin stated his congratulations to Cllr Mays and stated there was confusion about the responsibilities between the Town Council and Cornwall Council. He asked the Cllrs to consider the importance of inclusivity, transparency and accessibility. The Town Clerk answered that she had answered his queries previously and updated him then on the points previously addressed, stating that the Council is always looking for grants that will assist with funding any ongoing projects, with updates to the public when available.
- 1657.3.3 Ms C. Schuoler commented on the recent election results and asked the Cllrs to consider adjustments for disabled and vulnerable people within the town and during festivals. The Town Clerk stated that through recent efforts, the Council had commissioned accessibility audits and were in the process of working on the recommended advice. She added that once these changes were in, they would be promoted through the various networks of the Town Council (social media, noticeboards, the Community Liaison Officer etc). Cllr Ellenbroek stated that Gweal an Tops had facilities that had inclusive spaces, and mentioned the Youth Council and their dedication to inclusivity for the young people in the town. The Town Clerk also stated that the Community Liaison Officer was already undertaking work around a citizens panel to get representation from differing points of view. Ms Schuoler asked where the nearest baby-changing facilities were and the Town Clerk answered there were facilities available in Kresen Kurnow and Gwealan Tops with comment to another facility in the area. After this meeting, upon further investigation, the third location does not exist.
- 1657.3.4 Mr A. Rogers asked the Cllrs to clarify the recent tax increase, asking Cllr Mays to clarify his standing around the question. Cllr Allen clarified that the decisions were discussed in detail, with an understanding to some increases being out of their control. Cllr Mays stated his own views on the increase.
- 1657.4 To formally welcome the newly elected Town Councillor.**
- Cllr A Biscoe and the other Cllrs welcomed Cllr Mays.
- 1657.5 To receive a report from the Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor (see attached report).**
- The report was noted.

1657.6 To receive reports from the Divisional Cornwall Councillors.

Cllr Allen stated her concern to Cllr Harrison about the conversion of application PA26/00223 and how other applications may risk following suit. Cornwall Cllr Harrison stated that they evaluated the history of the property and did not believe there was a strong enough reason to take it to call in. Cllr H Biscoe clarified the Town Council's decisions regarding the other applications within the report.

Cllr Tarrant offered his congratulations to the newly elected Cllr Mays, and summarised his report.

Cllr Ellenbroek relayed Cllr Donnithorne's apologies, he was unable to submit his report due to technical difficulties.

The reports were noted.

1657.7 To confirm the Minutes of the Monthly meeting of the Council held on 23rd February 2026

Unanimously RESOLVED that the minutes of the monthly meeting of the Full Council on 23rd February 2026 are received and approved [Proposed Cllr A Biscoe; Seconded Cllr H Biscoe].

1657.8 To receive the Minutes as reports of the following committee meetings, and to accept and approve the Recommendations and Resolutions contained within the meetings of the:

1657.8.1 Asset Management Committee – 2nd March 2026

Unanimously RESOLVED that the minutes of the Asset Management Committee on the 2nd March 2026 are received and approved [Proposed Cllr Ellenbroek; Seconded Cllr Broad].

1657.8.2 Planning Committee – 9th March 2026

Unanimously RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee on the 9th March 2026 are received and approved [Proposed Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Selwood].

1657.9 To receive a presentation and report from the Cultural Consortium and Totally Locally: The future of festivals (see attached report).

Mr J. Nawras gave the presentation with a verbal summary of the report. Cllr Barnes asked about extending the evening entertainment offer proposed and Mr Nawras answered that it can be done through programming and curation that appeals to different areas of the community. Cllr Cunningham stated an idea of ensuring safety and good attendance for the festivals by providing a buddy system. Cllr Selwood asked for the immeasurable developments to be defined with clarification of the costings mentioned in the report and Mr Nawras answered that he would bring the information for the Council to consider.

Cllr Broad asked for clarification regarding the payment of volunteers, to which Ms Kent stated that the payment would be to encourage more volunteers with useful experience and skills. Cllr Ellenbroek added the importance of diversity

and inclusion. Ms Kent also stated that the figures within the report were an estimate and asked the Cllrs to consider the proposal.

1657.9.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to endorse the report methodology as a way forward and to ask the Officers to devise the next steps based on recommendations in the report, including budget and costings. [Proposed Cllr Allen; Seconded Cllr Reeve]

1657.10 To Consider the Town Clerk's Report (report attached).

The Town Clerk summarised the report.

Cllr Allen stated that a member of the public had been in touch about the Traffic Regulation Order and the Town Clerk requested the Cornwall Cllrs feedback to the Highways department. Cllr Harrison stated she had been in communication with Highways but the situation was not to be addressed further by them.

The report was noted.

1657.11 To consider a report on the Financial Summary for February 2026 from the RFO/Deputy Town Clerk (report attached).

Cllr Allen asked the RFO/DTC if she could clarify the review on the Business Liaison Manager role, to which the Responsible Finance Officer answered that a discussion was had regarding the development of a different approach to sponsorship – to have a package that businesses can support. Cllr Allen asked if they were actively seeking other funding to fill the elections deficit, and the RFO/DTC answered that they were always looking for funding.

1657.11.1 RESOLVED by Majority to Support the proposal to take the election costs from the unplanned Festivals uplift budget [Proposed Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Barnes] Cllrs Allen, Jolly and Reeve voted against.

1657.12 Youth Council update.

The report was noted.

1657.13 To receive brief verbal updates from Members as representatives on outside bodies.

Cllr Allen updated the Council on her first meeting at the Redruth Community Association evening, commenting on the new renovations and plans for future development.

Cllr Reeve stated that the Twinning Association were hosting a fundraising quiz on Saturday the 18th of April.

1657.14 To consider and approve the schedule of payments.

Unanimously RESOLVED that the schedule of payments are received and approved [Proposed Cllr Barnes; Seconded Cllr H Biscoe]

1657.15 To receive a brief verbal update from the Police.

Inspector Brown gave a verbal update of various incidents investigated by the Police. Cllr Cunningham asked about a recent cyberattack she had faced, and the RFO/DTC asked about a recent burglary in Market Way, if the cost of repairs could be recouped. Inspector Brown answered that she would look into the cyberattack Cllr Cunningham reported, and the burglary repair costs would be discussed in the court case.

1657.16 To consider the following motion;

Proposer: Cllr Ellie Allen, Cllr Jack Morrison, Cllr Rosi Jolly. Date 24th February 2026.

Motion Title: Participatory Budgeting Pilot for Anti-Social Behaviour Funding (2026/27)

In order to strengthen democratic engagement, improve community trust, and ensure that public funds allocated to addressing anti-social behaviour are used in a way that reflects the lived experience and priorities of residents, I propose that Redruth Town Council pilots a participatory budgeting process for a defined portion of its 2026/27 budget.

Participatory budgeting is a recognised approach that enables residents to propose, shape, and help determine how a specific allocation of public funding is spent, while retaining appropriate member oversight and statutory compliance.

Proposed Resolution:

That Full Council:

Notes that £20,000 has been allocated within the 2026/27 budget for initiatives intended to address anti-social behaviour within the parish;

Recognises the significant concerns raised by residents regarding safety, antisocial behaviour, and community wellbeing, as evidenced through recent engagement, correspondence, and public feedback;

Agrees in principle to pilot a participatory budgeting process for the allocation of this £20,000, enabling residents to propose and contribute to decisions on projects aimed at preventing or mitigating anti-social behaviour within the town;

Requests that officers prepare a report for Council consideration outlining:

- A proposed framework and timetable for delivering a participatory budgeting pilot within the 2026/27 financial year;*
- Eligibility criteria and guidance for project submissions;*
- Legal, governance, and financial considerations, including compliance with the Council's statutory duties;*
- Administrative and staffing resource implications;*
- A clear mechanism for member oversight, scrutiny, and recommendation prior to final decision-making;*
- Agrees that the final allocation of funds shall remain subject to approval by Full Council following completion of the participatory process.*

Rationale:

This proposal is intended to:

- Enhance democratic participation and transparency in the use of public funds;*

- *Ensure that spending intended to address anti-social behaviour is informed by local knowledge and community priorities;*
- *Test an inclusive and accountable decision-making model on a limited, defined budget before considering wider application;*
- *Retain clear member oversight and ultimate responsibility for expenditure.*

This motion is forward-looking and does not seek to alter or retrospectively review previously agreed budget decisions.

Unanimously RESOLVED Not to support the motion [Proposed by Cllr Allen, Seconded by Cllr Jolly]

1657.17 To consider the report of the Strategic Projects Officer: Anti-Social Behaviour Caseworker for Redruth.

1657.17.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to suspend standing orders [Proposed by Cllr A Biscoe; Seconded by Cllr Reeve]

1657.17.2 Inspector Brown clarified the current system and location of the ASB Office in relation to how the Officer would work for Redruth.

1657.17.3 Unanimously RESOLVED to reinstate standing orders [Proposed by Cllr Ellenbroek; Seconded H Biscoe]

1657.17.4 Unanimously RESOLVED to Support the motion of item 17.12, to make a grant agreement with the OPCC/Safer Partnership, and to part-fund the ASB Officer in advance of the grant being finalised [Proposed Cllr Ellenbroek; Seconded Cllr H Biscoe]

PART II – PRIVATE SESSION – Exclusion of the Press and Public

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1657.18 To receive a verbal update on the Bonded Warehouse and the Clocktower from the Town Clerk

The Town Clerk gave an update on the Bonded Warehouse and it was agreed the Council would withdraw interest and leave this to the private sector. There was also an update on the Clocktower.

Chair



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Town Clerk: C Williams

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Present:

Cllr A Biscoe
Cllr P Broad
Cllr E Allen
Cllr S Barnes
Cllr H Biscoe
Cllr K Cunningham
Cllr R Jolly
Cllr A Mays
Cllr J Morrison
Cllr D Reeve
Cllr M Sellwood
Cllr I Thomas
Cllr W Tremayne

Chair

In attendance:

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| Mrs C Williams | Town Clerk |
| Mrs H Bardle | Responsible Finance Officer (RFO)/Deputy Town Clerk(DTC) |
| Mrs J Cockerham-Harris | Minute Taker |
| Mr G Coombs | Facilities Manager |
| Ms L Akerman | Community Liaison Officer |
| Mr J Molloy | Asset Manager |

There were 10 members of the public in attendance

PART I – PUBLIC SESSION

Cllr A Biscoe read the two statements from Redruth Town Council regarding respectful conduct and audio recording of the meeting for minute taking purposes. Cllr Allen and Redruth Town Council declared they were audio recording the meeting.

1659.1 To receive apologies for absence
Apologies were received from Cllr Ellenbroek.

1659.2 Public participation session – to enable members of the public to put questions to the Council relating to any items on the agenda.

- 1659.2.1 Ms F. Morrison asked the Cllrs to explain the current situation on the agenda and the Town Clerk clarified that they received a letter from Cornwall Council, along with every other town and parish council about their new opt in/opt out initiative to use Glyphosate as a weedkiller across the county. She also clarified the decisions that needed to be made.
- 1659.2.2 Mr P. Deakin asked to clarify why the discussion of The Chambers was in Part II of the meeting at the exclusion of the public. The Town Clerk answered that the discussion would include sensitive information and they were following the GDPR guidelines, though this concern was taken on board and a summary would be brought to the next Full Council meeting.
- 1659.2.3 Ms J. Louise stated her concern about the use of Glyphosate weedkiller on the local ecological systems. She cited her experience as a gardener and urged the Cllrs to consider less harmful alternatives, as well as reconsider the need for manicured green spaces. Cllr Selwood clarified the difference between an insecticide and a herbicide, and Cllr Cunningham stated she had researched scientific studies into the impact of Glyphosate that anyone could contact her about.
- 1659.2.4 Ms S. Clasper, from the Climate Action Group, urged Cllrs to opt out of the agreement, stating her concerns over the chemical and the impact on all walks of life. She asked the Council to be forward thinking and consider alternatives.
- 1659.2.5 Mr D. Webb cited his education in environmental studies, relaying his concerns over the harmful effects of using Glyphosate, and the proposed health risks, with an added concern to the drain benefits provided by some weeds.
- 1659.2.6 Mr A. Rogers spoke of his personal history and asked the Council why there had been unlawful interference with a recent social media post by Cllr Mays. The Town Clerk answered that there was no unlawful interference and that she had been quite within her rights as Town Clerk to speak with any Cllr on the matter of Civility and Respect and the Code of Conduct in relation to social media posts that had caused offence and led to an unprecedented number of written and verbal complaints having been received. The Clerk further stated that when Cllr Mays came in to discuss the matter, he was aware of the issue and wrote an apology of his own free will and had thanked the Council on how well the matter had been dealt with by the Council. The post had been removed by Cllr Mays voluntarily.
- 1659.2.7 Cllr Cunningham read out a letter from a member of the public asking the Cllrs to not allow Glyphosate to be used in Redruth. They asked the Council to look at the substance's COSHH document and the concern this raised to all walks of life.
- 1659.2.8 Cllr Jolly readout a statement from Resilient Orchards CIC asking the Cllrs to opt out of the initiative, stating their own recent efforts for their Redruth Orchards Project and the damage this initiative could do.
- 1659.2.9 The Town Clerk read out two letters. The first was from a local resident, concerned about the use of Glyphosate and the effect it would have on the flowers she grew outside her window, as well as on her own health problems.

The second was also from another member of Resilient Orchards CIC, offering information on the health risks and ecological risks from using Glyphosate in the environment.

1659.3 To consider urgent correspondence relating to Cornwall Council's proposed use of Glyphosate in areas of Redruth.

Cllr Allen stated that she believed there was insufficient time to make an informed decision. Cllr Barnes then proposed to write back to Cornwall Council, stating that they should stick to the former method, not using Glyphosate, and expect them to maintain the level of service as per their previous responsibility. Cllr Cunningham stated that she understood there were viable alternatives and they needed to organise and plan costs with these in mind. Cllr Tremayne stated Cornwall Council had an obligation to keep the Highways clear and Cllr H Biscoe recalled a previous subcontractor for weedkilling. Cllr Reeve clarified that the green areas specified in the map (sent by Cornwall Council) were not sprayed and the red areas were serviced by Biffa. She also stated the Climate Action Plan was clear and the Council could not go back on that.

Cllr Selwood stated the reasoning for reintroducing Glyphosate as stated in their report, was because standards as they were, were failing. The weedkiller would be used in concentrated doses in small, designated areas. Cllr Thomas stated he was opposed to using toxic pesticides and they had the precept and the public purse to consider for any alternatives. Cllr Broad stated that it was a balance between cost of living and biodiversity.

Cllr A Biscoe proposed the Council create a community petition, to get 5000 signatures which would then trigger a Cornwall Council debate about the issue, and to discharge responsibility for weed management safely on their own land rather than putting this responsibility on the Town and Parish Councils. The Town Clerk stated that the petition would ensure all voices in our community are heard and that we can send our petition to all Town and Parish Councils across Cornwall.

Cllr Thomas added that the motion should include the fact Cornwall Council own the land in question. The Facilities Manager added that he had an estimate of costings to provide this service with no insecticides or pesticides and stated that the offer from Cornwall Council was woefully insufficient to cover the potential costs and health and safety implications.

1659.3.2 Unanimously RESOLVED to Support the motion of creating and circulating a community petition to extend the deadline for decision, and state Cornwall Council's responsibility to maintain positive ecological impact on the environment by not using Glyphosate on the areas specified by Cornwall Council's provided maps [Proposed by Cllr Thomas; Seconded by Cllr H Biscoe].

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1659.4 To receive a presentation by CPE Ltd on The Chambers Feasibility Report, a TRIP funded piece of work.

The Asset Manager presented to the Cllrs the Chambers Feasibility Report.

1659.5 For Council to debate and make a decision on which option to pursue for The Chambers, based on the Options Appraisal presented.

RESOLVED by Majority to pursue option D with a site visit [Proposed by Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded by Reeve] 8 vote for, 3 votes against, Cllrs Cunningham and Selwood abstained.

Chair

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**Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Committee held at Redruth Civic
Centre, Alma Place, Redruth on Monday 13th April 2026**

Present: Cllr H Biscoe Chair
Cllr S Barnes
Cllr A Biscoe
Cllr P Broad
Cllr M Selwood
Cllr I Thomas

In attendance: Mrs C Williams Town Clerk
Mrs H Bardle RFO/Deputy Town Clerk
Mrs J Cockerham-Harris Administrator
Mr J Molloy Asset Manager
Mr G Coombs Facilities Manager

No members of the public were in attendance

PART I – PUBLIC SESSION

Cllr H Biscoe read aloud two statements and the Town Council declared they were recording audio for minute taking purposes.

1658.1 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Tremayne.

1658.2 Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests (including details thereof) in respect of any item(s) on this Agenda

None were declared.

1658.3 Public participation session – to allow members of the public to put questions to the Council relating to any matters relating to the Town Council

1658.3.1 No members of the public wished to speak.

1658.4 To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 9th March 2026 (minutes attached)

Unanimously RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 9th March 2026 [Proposed by Cllr A Biscoe; Seconded by Cllr Barnes].

1658.5 To consider the planning applications

The planning applications were dealt with in accordance with the attached Annex A.

1658.6 Decision Notice Schedule

The Decision Notice Schedule was noted.

1658.7 Correspondence received.

Cllr Tremayne arrived at the meeting.

1658.7.1 Confirmation of licensing objectives issued in respect of The Red Lion, Fore Street.

The confirmation was noted.

1658.7.2 Appeal Decision – Land Rear of 78 Albany Road

The Cllrs decided to write to Mr Butler to state the impact of the roadside parking due to it being a HMO (House of multiple occupancy).

Chair

**REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL - PLANNING SCHEDULE
ANNEX A**

All references for PA26/ unless otherwise stated.

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LIST 1

RESOLVED by Majority that all the Applications on List 1 are supported en-bloc,
[Proposed Cllr Barnes; Seconded Cllr Broad].

| REF NO | CC REF | SITE | PROPOSAL | DECISION |
|--------|--------|--|--|-----------|
| 1 | 01593 | Land South West of Wheal Tolgus, Tolgus Mount, Redruth | Construction of affordable led development of four dwellings with variation of condition 2 in respect of decision PA21/01776 dated 09/09/22 | Supported |
| 2 | 01389 | 56 Gweal Pawl, Redruth, TR15 3DN | Proposed replacement windows in UPVC | Supported |
| 3 | 01553 | Chapel of Ease, Chapel Street, Redruth | Listed building consent for replacement window on the first floor west elevation | Supported |
| 4 | 02039 | 4 Vista-Del-Mar, Sandy Lane, Redruth | Proposed rear two-storey extension | Supported |

REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL - PLANNING SCHEDULE

ANNEX A

All references for PA26/ unless otherwise stated.

Meeting: Monday 13th April 2026

LIST 2

| REF NO | CC REF | SITE | PROPOSAL | DECISION |
|--------|--------------------------|---|--|--|
| 5 | 02130 (Cllr Thomas) | Land North of St Euny Poultry Farm, Trevingey Road, Redruth, TR15 3DH | Application for permission in Principle for the erection of up to 3 dwellings (Minimum 1, Maximum 3) | RESOLVED by Majority Not to Support the application on the grounds of preserving the scenic area with concerns to not enough adequate parking and access [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded by Cllr Broad] 3 votes for, 3 votes against with the casting vote by Cllr H Biscoe. |
| 6 | 01180 (Cllr A Biscoe) | 3 Falmouth Road, Redruth, TR15 2QJ | Installation of air source heat pump | Unanimously RESOLVED to Support the application [Proposed by Cllr H Biscoe; Seconded by Cllr A Biscoe] |

REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR: Meeting of Full Council on Monday 27th April 2026

SUBJECT OF REPORT: Town Clerk's Report

SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

- a. Policy Yes
- b. Financial Yes
- c. Legal Yes

1.0 TERMS OF REFERENCE

To report on progress during the period.

2.0 REPORT

2.1 Below is a table of actions on existing and new items, some of which were reported in the last Full Council meeting and the progress that has been made since.

| Agenda Item number: | Issue: | Action taken by Town Clerk or / for decision: |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Existing item | Devolution of Victoria Park and Trefusis Park | <p>Cornwall Council have now responded and have offered us the £75,000 but have asked that this also includes Treskerby park, which has just had new play equipment and has been the site of the Green infrastructure for growth investment.</p> <p>For decision: How would the Council like to proceed?</p> |
| Existing item | Action on 4 Penryn Street | <p>I have now received a response from the Enforcement team at Cornwall Council and they have said they are further consulting with other departments on any action and will be in touch when they have an update. No further updates as yet.</p> |
| Existing item | Neighbourhood Priority Statement (NPS) | <p>We have been invited to attend an online meeting about this on 28 April 3-3:45pm. Please can Members let me know if they are able/would like to attend?</p> |
| New item | Changing Places Toilets | <p>At the last meeting, a question was raised by a member of the public about the provision of Changing Places toilets in Redruth. For clarification there are only two such facilities, one at Gwealan Tops which is not open to the public and the other at Kresen Kernow which is not open everyday. The third location mentioned last month is in fact a day centre and is not open to the public.</p> <p>For decision: Would members be keen to open up a conversation at a future meeting regards adding to this provision, to enable the town to be a more accessible, inclusive place? This would be</p> |

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| | | part of the proposed refurbishment works on toilets generally. |
| New item | Petition progress | <p>Following the last meeting, we created a community petition which our Administrator sent to every Town and Parish Council Clerk and Chair, our Communications Manager ensured this was shared widely through our social and media channel contacts.</p> <p>As many Members will be aware, we exceeded the number of signatures prior to the Cornwall Council meeting on 21st April, which enabled myself and Cllr Alison Biscoe, the town mayor to hand deliver the petition to Cornwall Council.</p> <p>Our petition was accepted formally and was mentioned in the debate by Cllr Donnithorne.</p> <p>The outcome of the debate was that Cornwall Council voted in favour of a Motion put forward to pause the action on glyphosate and explore alternatives with Town and Parish Councils. A public apology was also made by the Leader of Cornwall Council about the way Cornwall Council handled this matter.</p> <p>We await next steps and will continue to ensure that the mandate given by a unanimous Town Council vote against glyphosate will be escalated.</p> <p>Our petition remains open until 31st May to enable Town and Parish Councils and others who haven't yet signed it, to do so, following their respective Council meetings.</p> |
| New item | Correspondence from Luci Isaacson, Climate Vision | <p>Please see attached letter – which is seeking the Council to support an open letter to MPs on resilience to extreme weather.</p> <p>For decision: Do the Council wish to support this?</p> |
| New item | Street Lighting | <p>Cornwall Council plan to switch-off streetlighting from 11th May 2026 in Redruth.</p> <p>The profile will be switch-off midnight to 5am Sunday through Thursday night, and ultra-dimmed midnight to 5am Friday & Saturday night.</p> <p>They have said there has been a careful selection process, including liaison with local police, in choosing the most appropriate streetlights to switch off.</p> |

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| New item | The Chambers Feasibility Study: A Summary | <p>A report was presented to the recent Extraordinary Council meeting, which focused on The Chambers Feasibility Study, which has been funded by the TRIP funding. (Town Regeneration Improvement Funding)</p> <p>Various options were presented for how the Council could better use the building, which we own the freehold of.</p> <p>5 options were presented, with costings and income projections and the Council have voted in favour of pursuing the option which looks at an anchor tenant, Enterprise Hub and function suite/ multi use community area.</p> <p>The factors that were important were how the end use could ultimately benefit the socio-economics of the town centre and local economy, particularly the local community.</p> <p>There is still more work to be done, before any final decisions are taken, but the Council will share more information when it is appropriate to do so.</p> |
| New item | Future Full Council priorities | <p>At the last meeting, I undertook to bring to you a summary of key items that will be covered in the next upcoming Council meetings. The plan is to bring you the following;</p> <p>Annual Meeting: Monday 11th May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual review of policies • Annual Meeting usual business of nominating Members on Committees, outside groups and Election of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for next Municipal year <p>May Full Council meeting: Monday 18th May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General overview of Residents survey findings • Key themes for emerging Strategic Plan <p>Extraordinary Full Council: Monday 15th June</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soft launch of new websites <p>June Full Council meeting: Monday 29th June</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of draft Communications Strategy • Draft Strategic Plan <p>Annual Town meeting: Wednesday 1st July</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Heros Awards & Annual Town meeting • Launch of new websites • Launch of new Grants scheme • Launch of Residents survey findings leaflet. |

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

To note and accept the report of the Town Clerk and to make decisions under section 2.1.

Charlotte Williams

From: Luci Isaacson <luci@climatevision.co.uk>
Sent: 24 March 2026 16:17
To: Luci Isaacson
Subject: Important: Open Letter to MPs: Building Personal Climate Resilience
Attachments: Open Letter to MPs Building Personal Climate Resilience.pdf
Importance: High

Good afternoon,

I used to be Tregony Parish clerk a long time ago, so I know how busy you are, if this letter's **question gets asked**, it will help a great deal.

Please share with your Cllrs, some are expecting it, I said I'd be sending it to you.

Please find attached an open letter I have sent to the MPs listed, the chairs of EFRA & EAC, relevant APPGs, regarding practical climate resilience for communities. The letter responds to the recent debate on Tuesday evening 10th March and highlights several particularly relevant points that were made.

I am requesting that an extremely relevant question be tabled, one that I believe will help us all achieve our community resilience goals more effectively.

If you think this is a reasonable question for Parliament to address, please consider:

- Reading the attached open letter
- Sharing it with others
- **Writing to your MP, supporting asking them to raise this question too**
- [Supporting my LinkedIn post](#)
- [Supporting my Facebook post](#)

Whether it's sewage, buckled rail track, flooding, watershortage, overheating, or other local impacts, change often starts by asking the right question collectively. Adaptation isn't optional; alongside mitigation, it's essential.

Thank you very much for your time, consideration, and any support you may be able to provide.

Kind regards,
Luci Isaacson BEM MSc
Climate Vision
07909 530 730



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VISION

[Climate Vision Support & Talks](#)

[Climate Resilient Meva Project](#)

[Gissey Girls WI](#)

[Cornwall Catchment Partnership Member \(2018-\)](#)

[Climate Skills through Creativity Programme \(1:1 Opportunities until 31/8/26\)](#)

[Cornwall Strategic Resilience Board Member \(2016-22\)](#)

[South West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee Member \(2018- Nov 25\)](#)

[Diocesan Environment Officer \(2017-21\)](#)

[Cornwall Community Flood Forum Chair \(2014-8\), Trustee \(2016-21\)](#)

BeFloodReady

(Made in Cornwall)



An Open Letter to Members of Parliament and the Press 11/3/26
Regarding the Debate: “Extreme Climate and Weather Events: National Resilience” (10/3/26)

Dear Members of Parliament and Members of the Press,

I am writing to congratulate **Jayne Kirkham MP** for securing and leading the recent parliamentary debate on *Extreme Climate and Weather Events: National Resilience* on 10 March 2026. The debate highlighted the urgent need to strengthen the United Kingdom’s preparedness for increasingly frequent and severe climate impacts.

I would respectfully ask fellow MPs to support this agenda by helping to secure or table a parliamentary question to the Government on a specific issue of national importance: the use of the **Adaptation Reporting Power under the Climate Change Act 2008**.

By way of background, I hold two degrees in climate change and have spent the past fifteen years working in climate risk, flooding, and community resilience, including contributing to two Defra Pathfinder projects. Through my **Climate Skills through Creativity Programme (2024–2026)**, I have been developing practical and accessible ways to help individuals and communities build resilience to climate impacts, such as preparing simple emergency kits and developing household heat and flood plans, in ways that are engaging, positive and empowering.

Alongside this work, I have served in several resilience and environmental roles, including with the South West Regional Flood and Coastal Committee, the Cornwall Strategic Resilience Board, the Cornwall Catchment Partnership, and the Cornwall Community Flood Forum. A full report from the Climate Skills through Creativity Programme will be available on 31 March, and I will be offering this toolkit to Government as a contribution to strengthening national resilience.

The debate itself clearly demonstrated the breadth of the challenge and the need for a more coordinated approach across Government, **that my question will address**.

Rachel Gilmour MP highlighted the need “to embed a truly comprehensive climate resilience strategy across all Government Departments and agencies at the heart of decision making -one that shifts our posture as much as possible from reaction to prevention.”

Jayne Kirkham MP noted that the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee currently has “an ongoing inquiry into climate and weather resilience.”

Tessa Munt MP captured the practical reality faced by many communities when she observed that “what we need is for the pumps to be there already, so that they can start to pump water away as the storms come in.”



Andrew George MP reflected on the cultural barriers that can exist within institutions, describing *“the culture that exists among service providers, and indeed Government Departments, of always seeking to reassure Ministers that everything is under control and presenting a very different picture from the one that I was seeing on the ground.”*

Members also highlighted the specific vulnerabilities of rural and coastal regions. Perran Moon MP pointed out that *“all six Cornish constituencies appear at the bottom of the rankings in terms of mobile connectivity,”* highlighting the communications challenges that can arise during extreme events.

Jayne Kirkham MP also drew attention to the economic consequences of infrastructure disruption, recalling that the Valentine’s Day storm of 2014 left the far south-west cut off for eight weeks, with estimated losses of between £60 million and £1.2 billion according to the Devon Maritime Forum.

She further highlighted the structural challenges faced by rural communities adapting to climate change, including the high proportion of homes off the gas grid in Cornwall and the barriers residents sometimes face when seeking permission for renewable energy installations. Importantly, she also emphasised the importance of preparedness at the household level, noting that *“there is a conversation to be had about personal resilience. We all need to be more prepared. Having a basic emergency kit sounds simple, but it makes a big difference.”*

In response to the debate, the Minister of State, Dan Jarvis MP, stated that the Government recognises the Climate Change Committee’s assessment of the third National Adaptation Programme and is *“not simply relying on short-term measures.”*

A key legislative mechanism already exists that could significantly strengthen Parliament’s understanding of the nation’s preparedness: the **Adaptation Reporting Power (ARP)** established under the Climate Change Act 2008. This power was designed to allow Government to require critical infrastructure providers to report on how they are assessing and preparing for climate risks.

Yet the power has only once been used as originally intended.

For this reason, I respectfully ask that MPs consider supporting or tabling the following parliamentary question:

Given that the Climate Change Act 2008 established the Adaptation Reporting Power to assess how well critical infrastructure is preparing for climate risks, and noting that it has only once been used as originally intended, will the Government now commit to exercising this power on a mandatory basis to ensure Parliament has a complete and transparent picture of the UK’s resilience to climate impacts?

Strengthening transparency in this way would support the very goal articulated during the debate: shifting our national approach from reactive crisis management towards proactive resilience.

I recognise that Members of Parliament face difficult decisions and competing priorities. However, transparency and public engagement on this issue are essential. In my experience working across resilience partnerships and community flood initiatives, the cultural challenge described during the



debate - where reassurance can sometimes take precedence over honest assessment is real, and it must change if we are to prepare effectively for the impacts that are already unfolding.

I hope this letter contributes to a constructive public conversation and encourages meaningful action in support of the legislation and the resilience of communities across the United Kingdom.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luci Isaacson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Luci Isaacson BEM, Truro
Climate Risk and Resilience Practitioner
07909 530 730

Sent to:

Jayne Kirkham MP
Perran Moon MP
Ben Maguire MP
Anna Gelderd MP
Noah Law MP
Andrew George MP
Rachel Gilmour MP
Tessa Munt MP
Dan Jarvis MP

1. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

- | | | | |
|----|-----------|---|-----|
| a. | Policy | - | Yes |
| b. | Financial | - | Yes |
| c. | Legal | - | No |

2. TERMS OF REFERENCE

To present a review of the Community Grant Scheme, with suggested improvements following discussion with various consultees as outlined in 3.5 below.

3. SCOPE OF WORK

3.1 The existing Grant Scheme offers small grants to community organisations in Redruth with two grant windows on 30th June and 31st December each year. The grant decisions are made by the Finance Committee at its meeting following the application deadline, and grants are paid in full shortly afterwards.

3.2 The budget for Community Grants for 2025/26 was £16,000. The budget for 2026/27 remains the same, but an additional budget of £40,000 was approved specifically for Youth organisations in the parish.

3.3 Criticisms of the existing scheme include;

- The forms are too long / too complicated, particularly for organisations applying for smaller grants.
- Some of the rules of the scheme could be clearer.
- Having two funding windows per year does not work for organisations who need funds in the Spring or Autumn.
- The Council should do more to market the scheme and raise awareness of its existence.

3.4 Generally the scheme has been well-received and there have been many positive stories from successful applicants.

3.5 These proposals have been drawn up following consultation with the Community Liaison Manager, Strategic Projects Officer, the Town Clerk, The Deputy Town Clerk, and Councillors Allen, Morrison and Thomas.

4. PROPOSALS FOR NEW SCHEME

4.1 Applications and Eligibility

It was generally agreed that there should be a simpler scheme for small applications (up to £500), but also a chance for youth organisations to apply for a larger grant to enable meaningful support.

4.1.1 I propose a three-tier grant scheme

- Bronze
 - for grants up to £500
 - a simple, one-page form (to be designed shortly)
 - applications can be made by small organisations, through partner organisations, or by associations who complete a basic constitution with RTC support
 - Organisation must be based in Redruth or more than 50% of beneficiaries live in Redruth

- Silver
 - For grants up to £2,500
 - A simpler two-page form (to be designed)
 - For charities, CICs or constituted organisations based in Redruth or more than 50% of beneficiaries living in Redruth.

- Gold – Youth Groups only, unless agreed otherwise in future years
 - Up to £20,000 available.
 - A more detailed application process to include a presentation to a panel comprising Councillors (possibly including the relevant Divisional member), the Community Liaison Manager, the Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk.

4.1.2 I propose dividing the total budget of £56,000 as follows;

£20,000 to be made available under the Gold Scheme, for Youth Groups only

£9,000 to be made available for each grant window x 4 = £36,000 in total. Of this, £5,000 should be paid to Youth Groups only, in line with the budget. The remaining £4,000 can be paid to any Community Group, including Youth Groups. There can be any amount of Silver/Bronze applications within this total.

The RTC Finance/Admin team will categorise applicants between Youth Groups/Other Community as they come in, and my report to Finance Committee will make it clear how many applicants fall within each category, and how much is available to allocate.

4.2 Grant Process

4.2.1 I propose the scheme reverts to four grant windows per year.

4.2.2 The decisions will continue to be made by the Finance Committee at its quarterly meetings following the grant deadlines.

4.2.3 It has been suggested that the Youth Council could play a part in the decision process. I propose that summarised Bronze scheme applications from Youth Groups are presented to a Youth Council meeting each quarter, and that it recommends **one** application to the Finance Committee for approval.

There may need to be an adjustment to grant deadlines to accommodate this.

4.3 Other Proposed Changes

4.3.1 Grants should be awarded in full or not at all. This would alleviate the problem expressed by some applicants (who receive less than they applied for) that their project can be jeopardised if they cannot get the additional funding elsewhere.

- 4.3.2 Unsuccessful applicants can reapply in the next round, having received feedback from RTC. If the Finance Committee rejects an application because there is a reason to not award the full amount, the organisation can reapply for a lower amount at the next round. Applicants will be advised of this when they make their initial application.
- 4.3.3 Successful applicants are allowed to reapply in subsequent rounds within the same financial year. The Finance Committee will decide whether or not to support multiple applications.
- 4.3.4 More emphasis will be placed on marketing the scheme, including better presence on the website, social media campaigns, posters/forms in key sites across the parish and through the ongoing work of the Community Liaison Manager and Councillors.

4.4 What won't change

- 4.4.1 The Scheme will continue to be administered by the RTC Finance/Admin team who will respond to applicants, carry out due diligence, request copies of policies and other relevant documents, notify applicants of success or otherwise and pay the awarded grants.
- 4.4.2 Grants can be used to support running costs, short-term projects or purchases of equipment.
- 4.4.3 Any unspent grants from one window can be carried forward to the next, within the financial year. At the end of the year, any unspent grant budget would normally go to the General Reserve unless the Finance Committee decides otherwise.

4.5 Implementation Date

- 4.5.1 As we have already received applications under the old scheme for the 30th June window, I propose that we consider these applications at the July Finance Committee meeting and begin the new scheme from 1 July 2026.

This gives us time to;

- Design new forms and discuss them with the working group
- Include the scheme on the new website
- Build a good marketing campaign
- Launch the scheme at the Town meeting

5 RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that the Grant Scheme is amended as outlined in this report, to be effective from 1 July 2026 and re-launched at the Annual Town Meeting on that same date.

Helen Bardle

Deputy Town Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer

1. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

- a. Policy - Yes
- b. Financial - Yes
- c. Legal - No

2. TERMS OF REFERENCE

To present a review of the CCTV scheme income costs, showing figures for 2025/26, budget for 2026/27 and amounts included in the contract for 2027/28 – 2029/30.

3. SUMMARY OF CCTV MONITORING SCHEME

- 3.1 The CCTV monitoring scheme was first explored in 2024 when we received notice that Cornwall Council were going to cease to offer a monitoring service.
- 3.2 Originally, a budget for 2025/26 was prepared in August/September 2024 based on cost information (salaries, equipment, maintenance) gathered by the previous team. The assumption was made that the CCTV monitoring service would start in April 2025.
- 3.3 Initial proposals were presented to a number of interested Councils, and Camborne Town Council and Truro City Council agreed to enter into a contract for monitoring, and Perranzabuloe Parish Council for recording only.
- 3.4 A complete change of personnel responsible for the project in April/May 2025, together with more detailed discussions with Enerveo (who provide the equipment) and our lawyers, Stephens Scown has identified a number of costs that were not originally included in the budget for 2025/26. In particular, extensive legal work has taken place to agree the contract with partner Councils, scheme policies and codes of practice, operating rules and a number of additional equipment requirements, for example the requirement for a secure data line to be installed in the Chambers, have been identified as essential components of a high quality service.
- 3.5 Most of these additional costs were known in time for the preparation of the budget for 2026/27, and are reflected in the figures. Since that budget was approved in December 2025, there have been some further changes to the contract costs and income as set out in the latest version of the contract.
- 3.6 The income and costs for years 3 – 5 of the contract as set out in the table below are reflected in the latest version of the contract, and will form the basis for the RTC budget for those years.
- 3.7 The contract also allows an opportunity to review costs annually, and negotiate with partner Councils if required.
- 3.8 There is definite new interest from additional Councils and organisations in Cornwall for CCTV monitoring, and we will work to bring more Councils into the contract during 2026/27, which

should impact positively on economies of scale and also our reputation as a driver of positive change.

4. CCTV SCHEME INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

4.1 The table below sets out the income and costs for the five years of the scheme, with year 1 being 2025/26.

| | Yr 1 2025/26 Actual | Yr 2 2026-27 Budget Full Year | Yr 3 2027/28 Projection | Yr 4 2028/29 Projection | Yr 5 2029/30 Projection |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| INCOME | | | | | |
| Recharges | | | | | |
| Truro | 17,919 | 36,333 | 37,947 | 39,132 | 40,637 |
| Camborne | 13,230 | 27,397 | 28,645 | 29,558 | 30,718 |
| Perranzabuloe | 5,000 | 10,500 | 11,025 | 11,576 | 12,155 |
| Grant received | | 40,000 | | | |
| Total Income | 36,149 | 114,230 | 77,617 | 80,266 | 83,510 |
| EXPENDITURE | | | | | |
| Salaries | 32,942 | 63,142 | 65,668 | 68,294 | 71,026 |
| Employers NIC | 4,466 | 7,971 | 8,290 | 8,621 | 9,053 |
| Pension | 5,664 | 12,439 | 12,937 | 13,454 | 14,127 |
| Cover | 1,836 | 6,000 | 6,240 | 6,320 | 6,336 |
| Monitoring equipment | 10,150 | 12,000 | - | - | - |
| Payment to other Councils from grant | | 28,000 | | | |
| Software | 276 | 485 | 1,140 | 1,200 | 1,260 |
| Licences | 278 | 1,100 | 1,200 | 1,250 | 1,300 |
| Leased line | 2,441 | 4,656 | 6,700 | 6,804 | 6,914 |
| Utility costs | 56 | 1,200 | 1,250 | 1,300 | 1,350 |
| Training/admin | | | 7,066 | 6,944 | 7,401 |
| Total costs recharged | 58,109 | 136,993 | 110,490 | 114,187 | 118,766 |
| Net cost of monitoring | £21,960 | £22,763 | £32,873 | £33,921 | £35,256 |

4.2 Year 1 income and expenditure do not reflect a full year of operation. The staff were recruited in August 2025 and the monitoring service started in October 2025.

4.3 Year 2 figures have been aligned as far as possible with the 2026/27 budget for RTC. The net cost agrees to the budget, but the detailed income and expenses have been changed to align with the contract.

- 4.4 The training and admin cost represents ongoing training, costs of management support, admin and finance support and cost of general overheads provided by RTC eg mobile phones, staff parking, uniform, stationery.
- 4.5 The net cost of monitoring should be compared to RTC's share of the monitoring costs as set out in the agreement.
The Councils taking part in monitoring have been allocated a percentage of the total costs based on the number of cameras in each area, and the number of hours monitoring requested.

Redruth has a 33% share of the costs
 Camborne has a 29% share
 Truro has a 38% share.

Before the allocation, a fixed share of the costs was allocated to Perranzabuloe who are paying for recording only.

Redruth's share of costs for each year is as follows;

| | Yr 1 | Yr 2 | Yr 3 | Yr 4 | Yr 5 |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| RTC share of costs per contract | £23,420 | £31,440 | £32,873 | £33,922 | £35,255 |

- 4.6 In years 3 – 5, the net cost of the monitoring scheme for Redruth equals Redruth's share of the costs per the contract. These figures will form the basis of the monitoring cost budget in those years, unless altered under the terms of the contract.

In years 1 and 2 they are different because the budgets for those years were prepared before the contracts were finalised. Although in year 2, the CCTV monitoring budget is lower than our share of the costs per the contract, there are other budgets to take up the balance of the costs, for example there is a separate training budget which includes CCTV training costs, a mobile phones budget, and management salaries are budgeted for elsewhere.

- 4.7 In order to arrive at the total budgeted cost for the CCTV scheme, I need to add the cost of the ongoing maintenance of the cameras provided by Eneveo.

In 2026/27, this cost is budgeted at £6,309 which is added to the budgeted monitoring costs of £22,763 as shown in table 4.1 above, to give a total budget for 2026/27 of £29,702. This agrees with the net CCTV costs in the 2026/27 budget.

I will include the estimated maintenance costs in budgets for years 3 – 5 when the time comes.

- 4.8 Finally, I have set out a table showing the set-up costs spent in 2025/26, which have been paid from Earmarked Reserves.

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| Cost of installing leased line - equipment and firewall- Acronyms | 890.00 |
| Costs of installing leased line - labour - Acronyms | 720.00 |
| Office equipment costs - chairs, monitor stands, sundry equipment | 1,844.45 |
| Redecoration of room, repairs, electrical checks | 4,024.00 |
| Legal expenses | 28,311.50 |
| Other set-up costs | 755.83 |
| Total Set-up Costs | 36,545.78 |

Breakdown of legal fees (Stephen Scown)

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|--|-------------------------|
| Initial advice and support | 4,395.00 |
| CCTV management scheme contract | 14,808.50 |
| CCTV scheme - data protection and procedures | 16,587.00 |
| Advice on NICE system | 2,683.00 |
| Advice on DISC | 338.00 |
| Total costs | <u>38,811.50</u> |
| less included in 2024/25 accounts | <u>10,500.00</u> |
| Cost in 2025/26 accounts | <u><u>28,311.50</u></u> |

5.0 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that this report is noted.

Helen Bardle
Deputy Town Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer

REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR: Meeting of Full Council on Monday 27th April

SUBJECT OF REPORT: To update the Council on the work of Redruth's Youth Council

SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

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|----|-----------|---|----|
| a. | Policy | - | No |
| b. | Financial | - | No |
| c. | Legal | - | No |

1.0 TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 1.1 To provide the Council with an update on the work carried out by the Communications Manager and Redruth's Youth Council.

2.0 REPORT

2.1 Ongoing Actions

Youth Councillors are continuing to work to recruit new members. One member has spoken to Redruth School Headteacher to ask if the Redruth Youth Council are able to do a school assembly, with the aim of recruiting new members.

Youth Councillors are continuing to discuss ideas to feed into the creation of their manifesto. Each Youth Councillor has been invited to look at the United Nations' Children's Rights Charter (UNCRC), to pull out the articles they are most passionate about to inform their area of the Manifesto.

Redruth Youth Councillors are working with illustrator Hannah Beech and the Communications Team to rebrand the Youth Council. Currently, the Youth Council is considering different options with regard to branded items such as t-shirts, hoodies, pin badges and lanyards.

2.2 Supporting Community Initiatives and Events

The Vice-Chair represented Redruth Youth Council at the recent Royal Visit to the Buttermarket. He presented HRH the Duke of Edinburgh with a copy of the recent Redruth Record.

Redruth Youth Council are continuing to work with the Events Coordinator to plan Youth Fest. Following their discussion of what activities they would like to see, the Youth Council asked the Events Coordinator to work with different Youth groups throughout the town to help prioritise what activities should take place.

In addition to Youth Fest, the Youth Council has worked with the Strategic Projects Officer to feed into the ongoing East End Park project.

Redruth Youth Council will take part in Murdoch Day with a stall and in the parade.

Redruth Youth Council will once again take part in the Annual Conversation, held by Cornwall Youth Council at the County Hall.

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 It is recommended that this report be noted.

Rebecca Pearce – Communications Manager

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| Credit card | | | | |
| 03-Mar-26 | Mailchimp | CC164 | 41.74 | Subscription |
| 04-Mar-26 | Twinkl | CC165 | 14.99 | Subscription - Library resources |
| 18-Mar-26 | Carters Packaging Ltd | CC167 | 251.78 | Polytunnel cover and tape |
| 18-Mar-26 | StaySharp | CC168 | 120.00 | CIPD Training |
| 19-Mar-26 | Sage | CC169 | 176.64 | HR software |
| 25-Mar-26 | Mailchimp | CC170 | 42.01 | Subscription |
| 02-Apr-26 | Lloyds Bank credit card | CC171 | 3.00 | Bank charge |
| 02-Apr-26 | The Range | CC172 | 9.98 | Items for Pride |
| 02-Apr-26 | Arbour Tide Ltd t/a Surf and Turf | CC173 | 285.00 | Items for Pride |
| 03-Apr-26 | Sage | CC174 | 192.00 | HR Software |
| 04-Apr-26 | Twinkl | CC175 | 14.99 | Subscription - Library resources |
| 14-Apr-26 | BHGS Ltd | CC176 | 330.64 | Equipment for polytunnel |
| 16-Apr-26 | Trevenson Moor Garden Centre | CC177 | 11.80 | Seeds |
| 16-Apr-26 | Trevenson Moor Garden Centre | CC178 | 24.00 | Seeds |
| Total Credit card | | | 1,518.57 | |
| Current Account | | | | |
| 13-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD460 | 34.19 | Electricity 3 Market Way |
| 16-Mar-26 | OPIE OILS LTD | DD461 | 30.88 | Machinery fuel |
| 16-Mar-26 | RADIUS - UK FUELS | DD462 | 100.8 | Vehicle fuel |
| 16-Mar-26 | SAGE SOFTWARE LTD | DD463 | 205.2 | Payroll software |
| 16-Mar-26 | LLOYDS BANK PLC | DD464 | 1,813.35 | Credit card payment |
| 17-Mar-26 | PLAN.COM DD ACCOUN | DD465 | 1,052.65 | Mobile phones |
| 17-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD466 | 57 | Electricity - Facilities Yard |
| 17-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD467 | 2,941.98 | Civic Centre electricity - February |
| 17-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD468 | 17.11 | Electricity 11-12 Market Way |
| 18-Mar-26 | ADOBE | DD469 | 24.26 | Adobe software |
| 18-Mar-26 | ADOBE | DD470 | 102.62 | Adobe software |

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| 18-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD471 | 36.96 Electricity 4 Market Way |
| 20-Mar-26 | SAFEPOINT | DD472 | 53.82 Lone Worker system |
| 20-Mar-26 | ROYAL MAIL | DD473 | 368.19 Purchase of stamps for Library |
| 24-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD474 | 198.53 Civic Centre Gas bill |
| 25-Mar-26 | XERO UK LTD | DD475 | 44.4 Finance software |
| 25-Mar-26 | VODAFONE LIMITED | DD476 | 108.21 Mobile phones |
| 27-Mar-26 | HEALTH ASSURED | DD477 | 109.99 Employee Assistance programme |
| 27-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD478 | 338.62 Electricity - Market Hall |
| 27-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD479 | 29.41 Electricity - New Cut |
| 27-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD480 | 108.96 Electricity - 5 Market Way |
| 27-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD481 | 23.4 Electricity - Public Mural |
| 27-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD482 | 22.54 Electricity - St Rumons |
| 27-Mar-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD483 | 745.02 Electricity - Chambers |
| 30-Mar-26 | ACRONYMS LIMITED | DD484 | 108 Cordless WIFI phone |
| 30-Mar-26 | ACRONYMS LIMITED | DD485 | 954 New monitors, keyboards, mice |
| 30-Mar-26 | ACRONYMS LIMITED | DD486 | 2,854.45 IT support, licences, software, security |
| 30-Mar-26 | RADIUS - UK FUELS | DD487 | 105.82 Vehicle fuel |
| 30-Mar-26 | BIFFA WASTE SERVIC | DD488 | 207.82 Waste Collection |
| 30-Mar-26 | BIFFA WASTE SERVIC | DD489 | 280.8 Waste Collection |
| 31-Mar-26 | Manual Credit - Handling Charge | DD490 | 8.4 Bank charge |
| 31-Mar-26 | Service Charge | DD491 | 30.1 Bank charge |
| 01-Apr-26 | SOUTH WEST WATER | DD001 | 11.5 Water - St Rumons Gardens |
| 01-Apr-26 | CORNWALL COUNCIL | DD002 | 918.5 Business rates Chambers |
| 01-Apr-26 | CORNWALL COUNCIL | DD003 | 165.44 Business rates Market Hall |
| 01-Apr-26 | CORNWALL COUNCIL | DD004 | 3,036.00 Business rates Civic Centre |
| 01-Apr-26 | CORNWALL COUNCIL | DD005 | 235.8 Business rates Facilities Yard |
| 01-Apr-26 | CORNWALL COUNCIL | DD006 | 216.9 Business rates 5&6 Market Way |
| 02-Apr-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD007 | 14.11 Electricity 7 Market Way |
| 07-Apr-26 | HEWLETT PACKARD IN | DD008 | 276.63 Tablets lease |
| 08-Apr-26 | EBAY | DD009 | 229 Items for Pride |

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| 08-Apr-26 | B & Q | DD010 | 352.95 Items for Pride |
| 09-Apr-26 | ACRONYMS LIMITED | DD011 | 78.77 VOIP telephone system |
| 09-Apr-26 | GRIN | DD012 | 25 GRIN membership |
| 09-Apr-26 | RM EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES | DD013 | 75.53 Acrylic overlay for maps |
| 13-Apr-26 | RADIUS - UK FUELS | DD014 | 7.2 Vehicle fuel |
| 13-Apr-26 | ADOBE | DD015 | 55.41 Adobe software |
| 14-Apr-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD016 | 29.41 Electricity 3 Market Way |
| 15-Apr-26 | OPIE OILS LTD | DD017 | 149.4 Machinery fuel |
| 16-Apr-26 | SAGE SOFTWARE LTD | DD018 | 205.2 Payroll software |
| 16-Apr-26 | LLOYDS BANK PLC | DD019 | 643.17 Credit card payment |
| 20-Apr-26 | PLAN.COM DD ACCOUN | DD020 | 1,293.36 Mobile phones |
| 20-Apr-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD021 | 3,051.30 Civic Centre electricity - March |
| 20-Apr-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD022 | 41.92 Electricity 4 Market Way |
| 20-Apr-26 | BRITISH GAS BUSINE | DD023 | 18.62 Electricity 11-12 Market Way |
| 16-Mar-26 | PALORES PRODUCTION | | 500 Library production |
| 30-Mar-26 | Details with-held for confidentiality | FP1032 - FP1063 | 54,665.46 Net salaries March 2026 |
| 17-Apr-26 | Scheele Design Ltd | FP001 | 480 Website hosting |
| 17-Apr-26 | CC - Pension Fund | FP002 | 20,406.57 Pension contribution March 2026 |
| 17-Apr-26 | HMRC Cumbernauld | FP003 | 20,194.39 PAYE and NI March 2026 |
| 17-Apr-26 | Redruth RBL | FP004 | 150 Donation for Remembrance Day |
| 17-Apr-26 | Green Newsagents | FP005 | 694.03 Newspapers for Library |
| 17-Apr-26 | Pennon Water Srvs | FP006 | 185.25 Water |
| 17-Apr-26 | South West Water | FP007 | 1,893.82 Water |
| 17-Apr-26 | HLS expenses | FP008 | 21.15 Home Library Service mileage |
| 17-Apr-26 | Unify Studio Ltd | FP009 | 4,000.00 New website cost - 1st payment |
| 17-Apr-26 | Trinity F&S Sys | FP010 | 1,846.30 Fire system testing and maintenance - Market Way |
| 17-Apr-26 | Green Waste Co | FP011 | 61.73 Disposal of green waste |
| 17-Apr-26 | The Artroom | FP012 | 250 Workshop - St Piran's Day |
| 17-Apr-26 | Stephens Scown LLP | FP013 | 13,194.96 Legal fees re Clock Tower, CCTV, HR matters |
| 17-Apr-26 | St Day PC | FP014 | 36 Advertising for Town Markets |

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| 17-Apr-26 | SW Hygiene | FP015 | 129.37 Sanitary bins and dust mats |
| 17-Apr-26 | RGB Building Supp | FP016 | 60.88 Sandbags for gazebos, play equipment maintenance |
| 17-Apr-26 | Relyon Guarding & | FP017 | 904.8 Security Market Way |
| 17-Apr-26 | Paperwise | FP018 | 144 Confidential shredding and toner recycling |
| 17-Apr-26 | Office Smart | FP019 | 178.42 Stationery |
| 17-Apr-26 | Macsalvors Ltd | FP020 | 157.49 Tools and equipment for Facilities team |
| 17-Apr-26 | LTC Training Serv | FP021 | 840 High-working training for Facilities Team |
| 17-Apr-26 | Lilly Lewarne | FP022 | 163.2 Final invoice re MW toilets - architectural services |
| 17-Apr-26 | Jolly Good CIC | FP023 | 550.76 Workshop for St Pirans |
| 17-Apr-26 | ITEC Connect Ltd | FP024 | 106.4 Photocopier consumables |
| 17-Apr-26 | Holman Climax Male | FP025 | 150 Music at St Pirans |
| 17-Apr-26 | Hannah Beech | FP026 | 2,250.00 Graphic Design March and April |
| 17-Apr-26 | Gwerin | FP027 | 100 Dancing at St Pirans |
| 17-Apr-26 | Goonhavern Garden | FP028 | 88.81 Seeds and plants for polytunnel |
| 17-Apr-26 | Golant Fire | FP029 | 1,153.80 Fire extinguisher service |
| 17-Apr-26 | Fair Meadow | FP030 | 1,200.00 Staff car parking for quarter |
| 17-Apr-26 | Coffee Pot Enterpr | FP031 | 3,900.00 Asset Management consultancy - March |
| 17-Apr-26 | Cornwall Council | FP032 | 107 DBS fees |
| 17-Apr-26 | Control Print Ltd | FP033 | 583 Printing - Redruth Record |
| 17-Apr-26 | Concorde Group | FP034 | 419.76 Temporary staff - Admin |
| 17-Apr-26 | Caroline Peddler | FP035 | 250 Workshop - St Pirans |
| 17-Apr-26 | CK Occ Health | FP036 | 529.3 Staff health checks |
| 17-Apr-26 | Bunzl | FP037 | 303.08 Cleaning products |
| 17-Apr-26 | Bagas Crowd | FP038 | 100 Music - St Pirans |
| 17-Apr-26 | Aquam Water Srvs | FP039 | 3.25 Standpipe hire |
| 17-Apr-26 | Annie Grace Kitto | FP040 | 2,100.00 Cleaning public toilets |
| Total Current Account | | | 146,184.10 |

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| Petty Cash | | | |
| 23 Mar 2026 | Jims | PC52 2026 | 4.75 Diary |
| 23 Mar 2026 | Ladybird | PC53 2026 | 2.00 Leaving card |
| 31 Mar 2026 | Jims | PC54 2026 | 19.65 Seeds |
| 31 Mar 2026 | Redruth Revival CIC | PC55 2026 | 8.40 Staff parking |
| 31 Mar 2026 | Tesco and Plumbase | PC56 2026 | 20.24 Milk and graffiti remover |
| 02 Apr 2026 | Iceland | PC57 2026 | 3.35 Sugar |
| 13 Apr 2026 | Iceland | PC58 2026 | 6.00 Biscuits for meeting |
| 07 Apr 2026 | Boesti | PC59 2026 | 12.75 Working lunch |
| 16 Apr 2026 | Car Parking | PC60 2026 | 3.50 Staff parking |
| 20 Apr 2026 | Iceland | PC61 2026 | 20.45 Tea and coffee |
| Total Petty Cash | | | 101.09 |