



PL24 Community Association (PL24CA) Minutes Committee Meeting held on 8th September 2025 via video

Present: Christine Bone (CB), Judy Brereton (JB), Sandra Butler (SB), Ryan Chamberlain (RC), Jenny Moore (JM), Alison White (AW), Eve Winterbottom (EW)

Apologies: Tamsin Chapman-Gunner (TC)

Members present:

Committee Meeting Minutes are first agreed and approved by email and then uploaded onto the PL24 Community Association website.

Item	Discussion notes	Who? Action? By when?
1.	Apologies Tamsin	
2.	Welcome Welcome to everyone, following the summer break. Welcome also to Chris Bone who is taking up the role of Minutes Secretary, a role she used to do some time back. Chris is willing to join the Committee and on the Agenda to be elected at the AGM – Alison proposer Eve seconder	
3.	Committee Changes Dawn has resigned following her move out of the area and the taking up of other voluntary activities. June has also decided to step down and said; “I think now is the time for me to step down. I have been a member since Sonia set up a group just for Par. And that was a good few years ago. Things have moved on since then all for the good I might add. It has been a pleasure working with all the members of PL24 and I shall miss it.” Ryan too will be stepping down as Chair at the AGM in October but is willing to continue as Facebook Admin. Everyone wished Ryan, June and Dawn the very best for the future and it was said that without Ryan (and Tamsin and Jenny), there would be no PL24 Community Association, so a huge thanks to him for his commitment and dedication to PL24 over the years.	
4.	Minutes of meeting held on 25th June 2025 were approved by email and are now on the website	
5.	Matters arising and information Update The Radio interview went well though the questions were far-reaching and did not focus specifically on what each group does – the result was more general with interviewees asked about	

	<p>their personal views on the area. Alison still has a clip of the interview and will add it to any Community Bids, if appropriate.</p>	<p>AW (ongoing, as opportunities arise)</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Transactions since last Committee / Working Group meeting on 16.06.25</p> <p>Opening Current Account Balance (12.06.25): £2,039.72</p> <p>Income received: In the 3 months since the last meeting, the autumn edition of the PL24 magazine has been issued and most of the income has resulted from advertiser payments and we also received the £1,000 contribution from Imerys.</p> <p>Payments made: During the period, we have paid for the magazine printing of the autumn edition. We also spent on the trial of a new website via Hostinger created by Bob and final touches for the installation of the bus stop bench and planter. We are also continuing to pay the monthly banking service charges.</p> <p>Closing Current Account Balance (06.09.25): £2,427.99</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Financial year end is 31st August and the end of year accounts are being prepared.. ● We are holding £6,076.23 reserve in an immediate access savings account attracting 0.7% interest payable monthly. This helps secure us against the ongoing costs to which we are committed including (last year these costs totalled £6500) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● liability insurance for public events (including St Blaise Feast & Fete) ● Cornwall Plastic Pollution Coalition membership (via CWT) ● software for magazine page-setting (Sedja) ● video conferencing subscription (Zoom) ● web hosting and domain name subscription (Sitebuilder) ● printing costs for the magazine 	
<p>7.</p>	<p>Draft Constitution</p> <p>The aim at PL24CA has always been to be resilient as an organisation. We know that it has proven difficult to recruit volunteers, so the constitution has been redrafted to reflect this and to ensure that we can continue to operate even if we have fewer members who actively volunteer. Therefore the number of people required for a meeting to be Quorate will be reduced to a minimum of four.</p> <p>Proposal to accept the new Constitution at the AGM – Proposed by Alison, seconded by Ryan and agreed by all.</p> <p>AGM Apologies in advance: Eve and Chris</p>	

8.	<p>Spruce Ups Orchard – Judy has been in touch with Tim re mowing at the end of September and the stumps will be well mulched. The Parish Council has still not adopted the land.</p> <p>Planters at Hamley’s – These are looking very good. Judy suggested putting pansies in the wooden planter and by the crabapple tree. Everyone was happy for Judy to go ahead with adding any plants that are appropriate.</p> <p>Raised beds at Hamley’s – Judy reported that these could do with being dug out.</p>	JB (ongoing (as time allows))
9.	<p>Litter picks</p> <p>The next litter pick will be on the 21st September 2025 at Spit Beach between 10.00 am and 12.00 pm.</p> <p>Sandra has emailed Jeremy Elvin re collecting the rubbish and he informed Imerys’ employees of the event in case anyone wanted to come along. There is not, however, a great deal of rubbish at Spit at the moment, most of the rubbish being in the car park and along the walk to the beach. It was therefore suggested to extend the litter pick along the Coast Path. The Participant’s Briefing Sheet would be updated to reflect this and, seeing as the current Risk Assessment is for Clean Cornwall, this would also be covered. If there should be flooding under the bridge, however, the event would have to be called off.</p> <p>Sandra reported that after repairs to the bridge had been carried out, the old railings had just been dumped at the end of the tunnel exit adjacent to the coastal path. Plus an old section of the metal flooring has also been dumped to one side of the car park.</p>	SB
10.	<p>Facebook, Magazine and Website</p> <p>Facebook Everything is ticking over nicely so nothing to report.</p> <p>Magazine volunteer recruitment Tamsin has kindly agreed to be the reserve “back-up” for page-setting the magazine and will liaise on this with John in due course.</p> <p>Ads have also been placed in the magazine for 2 volunteers to act as back-up to Alison and John by liaising with the page-setter and:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) contributors, proofreaders and distributors as necessary. This will involve initiating and responding to emails and uploading contributions when proofread. b) advertisers which will also include updating AdSpace, sending out invoices and chasing payment if required. <p>A further plea for more distributors has also gone out, and we have already had one positive response. Judy has offered to help with distribution. Advertisers are approaching PL24 themselves, so it is more about having a volunteer who is efficient, careful and organised.</p>	TC (ongoing, on occasions when required)

	<p>Alison reported that the magazine is extremely popular and is now distributed in Lostwithiel, too. It was agreed that the magazine is a real asset of which the PL24 community is justly proud. The number of editions per year will remain at four.</p> <p>Website Jo continues to update the SiteBuilder site for which we are very grateful. John is building on the Hostinger site which Bob started. A new volunteer, Rich, has offered to help with the website too. He will go straight onto Hostinger and John will liaise with him on this in the next few weeks.</p>	<p>JE ASAP</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p>Projects and Bids Update The new bench and planters at the bus stop opposite the Station are well used and looking good. Many thanks to Judy and the Par Community Garden Team for repairing the boat and all the planting. It is very clear that obtaining funding is becoming more difficult, but we keep on going. Denise is continuing to put in bids for The Friendly Corner at Par Track. Other ongoing bids include for benches at Old Roselyon and Penarwyn Green. It was suggested to ask local businesses if they were interested. Alison reported that the Trustees of Pontsmill Community Grant have changed hands but that she will go back to the person in charge of this. Normally, any Pontsmill Grant will be limited to a maximum of £500 per application. So, this might be a start for the Penarwyn Green benches whilst PL24CA applies for money from elsewhere and possibly gives a contribution too within the agreed limits. Co-Op Project -Jenny is taking the lead on this for GrowStBlazey with support from Sandra for PL24CA and John E for the Par Community Garden Team. The CoOp is fully behind turning the piece of land outside St Blazey CoOp into an attractive, seated area for the public but, because it does not own the land (it is owned by a pension fund), there is a long process to endure. Sandra is in regular contact with the CoOp but nothing can proceed until a formal agreement from the CoOp has been received. Jenny reported that, along with the money GrowStBlazey can put into the project, Pauline Giles has offered money from her pot, so hopefully the proposed project will create as much interest as did the replanting of St Blazey Triangle, which looks fantastic. There was a discussion around the Tunnel Trips and whether these did make money for PL24CA. They did but we no longer have the volunteer capacity to run them.</p>	<p>AW to continue to apply for external funding as opportunities arise.</p>
<p>12.</p>	<p>AOB Jenny does not want to stand as Chair for PL24. Alison is happy to take on the role, in the event that no one else is interested.</p>	<p>JM</p>

	<p>Judy asked about the Turntable at the Roundhouse and the fears that the site is to be sold off by DB Cargo, which owns the land. The Turntable is Grade II listed but it was uncertain as to whether it is on the Heritage At Risk register. JM to try and discover more.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 6.30 pm.</p>	
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Date of next meeting (open to members):

AGM, followed by Committee Meeting, if necessary – Monday 13th October 2025 at 6.30 pm

Location: by Zoom

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