

Menheniot Parish Council

Councillor Report – Cllr Sean Smith

Date: 21 April 2026

1. Highways Grant (CAP – School Safety)

- The CAP Highways Grant application was discussed at the recent meeting.
- No further update has been received at this stage. review 25th June

2. Weed Treatment (Glyphosate)

- Clarification required on the Parish Council's position regarding weed treatment.
- Is the Parish Council undertaking its own treatment programme this year?

3. Community Chest Fund

- The Community Chest Fund is now open for applications.
- The A38 campaign is also seeking donations and support. also asking parishes for support

4. Factory Signage

- New factory signage has now been installed.
- A letter of thanks has been sent to Highways.
- Local residents have been advised of the outcome.

5. Community Bus (St Cleer)

- A conference is scheduled for 24 June regarding community transport.
- We will be attending to represent the needs of isolated communities.
- Adrian is making contact with St Neot Parish Council and neighbouring group in st neot to explore a collaborative approach.

6. Emergency Planning

- I recently visited the emergency bunker at Cornwall Council as part of emergency planning discussions.
- There is a programme to provide battery backup for telephone infrastructure to improve resilience during power outages.
- Cornwall Council is seeking local amateur radio operators (radio hams) who may be able to assist communications during emergencies.
- Provision of 4x4 vehicle support is also being considered.
- The use of emergency window signs previously acquired by the Parish Council was discussed.

7. Tremar Application – PA26/03305 (Merrymeet)

- The proposal is not a standard planning application and has been submitted as a Class Q/Class 3 application, claiming qualification without the need for planning permission.
- I have submitted an objection.
- Local residents have also expressed concerns.
- There is a view that the proposal should instead be considered under a different classification requiring fuller planning scrutiny.
- This remains ongoing and the Parish Council will need to consider its response.

8. Defibrillators

- Update requested on the current status of parish defibrillators.

9. Grass Verge/Road A390

- Current position remains unsatisfactory.
- Discussion required on how the Parish Council wishes to proceed.

10. Bus Users Questionnaire

- Has the questionnaire been completed and submitted?
- Steve was coordinating this matter; an update would be appreciated.

11. Tencreek Section 106 Funding

- Update requested.
- Adrian may be able to provide further information.

12. Motion of No Confidence – South West Water

- A number of parish and town councils are signing a letter expressing no confidence in South West Water.
- Details have been passed to the Chairman and Clerk for consideration by the Parish Council.
- i raising a motion at full council on the 21st July no confidence

13. A38 Review

- Following the A38 Action Group Network (AGN) meeting, a review of the A38 corridor between Liskeard and Trerulefoot is being undertaken.
- Local input will be important.
- I have again put my name forward to serve on the committee.

Any Questions?

Please contact me if further information or clarification is required on any of the above matters.

Cllr Sean Smith