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HAMLETS

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 17th September 2025. Attended by: Cllrs. J Hobbs (Chair) J Phipps, N Steer, J Payne, G Worden, R Savage, C Myers, J Amos-Yeo, S Tilbey, B Savage & Cornwall Councillor F Emery, the Clerk – S Rosser along with the incoming Clerk – J Steer.

A report was given by Cornwall Councillor Faye Emery. This covered various areas including current surveys from Cornwall Council. The Community Chest fund, the Community Area Partnership meeting, and a request for reports of surface water issues - so that they can be addressed. Further details can be found in the draft minutes on the website.

The usual maintenance matters were covered. An increasing complaint received by the Council of late is that both visitors and parishioners have been seen to be using the Playing Fields as a dog exercise area. This seems to have subsided since social media posting however it continues to be closely monitored. Dogs (or any animals) are not permitted anywhere within the Playing Fields or the car park. Please respect this.

The Council are currently in the process of making a bid to Cornwall Council for improvements to the Public Rights of Way (PROW) within the Parish. It is hoped to improve six paths in total. It is also now time for landowners to maintain their road hedges. Please see the notice for further details and signposting.

Much has happened over the summer, including two further planning meetings held on the 6th August & 3rd September, along with the interviews for the position of Clerk/RFO. The successful candidate is Mrs Jayne Steer who will take up the appointment officially on 1st November. Safeguarding training was also delivered to the Councillors; with thanks to Dawn Leighfield. Please look out for further safeguarding work that the Council hope to deliver to the wider audience in the future.

The opening event for 'Morwenstow Active Health' went ahead despite the weather. The MUGA was officially opened by Liam Dart of LJD Coaching. It was a fun event; enjoyed by those who attended. Bookings for the MUGA can now be made via the dedicated website page at: www.morwenstowparish.gov.uk.

The new welcome pack for Parishioners should be available in October.

Three planning applications were considered over the three meetings mentioned above: PA25/04978 - Replacement Rag Slate Roof - Long Barn Stanbury Manor Woodford Bude MPC Comments: Morwenstow Parish Council have no objections to the application. PA25/05767 -Single storey extension to rear - 2 South View Woodford Bude Cornwall EX23 9JD MPC Comments: Morwenstow Parish Council have no objections to the application.PA25/06504|Outline planning application with all matters reserved for 1 dwelling (self and custom build)| Land and Building Adj to Longwood Barn Gooseham Bude Cornwall EX23 9PH MPC Comments:

Whilst Morwenstow Parish Council wish to support local applications for housing; (accepting that this application is outline only) the Parish Council do not feel that there is sufficient information to support the need at this time. The Parish Council do not agree that there is comparison with application PA23/08687, as any precedent.

Please see the draft minutes in full on the website for further details.

The next regular Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th October 2025 at 7:30pm.

All are welcome to the meetings.

Sheridon Rosser (Mrs), Clerk to the Parish Council.

Rural verge/hedge maintenance

(information taken from Cornwall Council factsheet).

We are now in hedge trimming season:

Who is responsible?

As the highway authority, Cornwall Council is responsible for the management of growth from the highway verge (excluding the A30 and A38 Trunk Roads, which are the responsibility of Highways England).

Growth into the highway from features such as Cornish hedges or trees on property boundaries is the responsibility of the adjacent land owner.

If growth is causing a safety concern the Council has the power to serve notice on the land owner if an informal approach is not successful. In the event it is deemed a hazard, then the council has the right to remove the growth without notice.

If you are requiring some maintenance to be carried out to your property that may have over hanging tree branches into the road for example; but you don't know who to ask.

Please contact Cllr. Julie Phipps for signposting help. (Contact details contained under the Editor section). Thank you.

Better Housing Better Health Service (BHBH) , <https://www.bhbh.org.uk/> . A not-for-profit service run by the National Energy Foundation, working to help residents living in or at risk of living in fuel poverty to access advice and support.

We are a service that is free of charge and open to all residents experiencing issues with keeping warm at home.

As part of our service, we have a helpline that's free to call where our team can give valuable tips on how to stay warm at home, sign up those in need of additional support to the Priority Services Register, assist with energy/ water debt and access grants for energy efficiency measures. We understand the physical and mental effects of living in a cold home, and we feel it is more important than ever to ensure everyone is living in a warm and happy household.

JULY & AUGUST RAINFALL

Killarney – John Jukes recorded:	July 67.5mm or 2.65 ins Aug 71mm or 2.79 ins
Duckpool Cottage – Jen Ash recorded:	July 37.9mm or 1.49 ins Aug 35.4mm or 1.39 ins
Lophthorne – David Manfield recorded:	July 56mm or 2.20 ins Aug 39mm or 1.54 ins
Tor View – Ken Boundy recorded:	July 60.5mm or 2.38 ins Aug 41.5mm or 1.63 ins
Cornakey – Sue Causey recorded:	July 42mm or 1.65 ins Aug 39mm or 1.54 ins

Did you know?

You can report many things directly online to Cornwall Council. It is particularly helpful if you can report road issues on here, this will trigger a quick assessment for any repairs from Cornwall Council.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/report-something/>

MORWENSTOW METHODIST CHURCH

‘LUNCH CLUB’

Please come and join us when we will be serving
Chicken in White Wine sauce or Stuffed Mushrooms
as the vegetarian option
and a selection of delicious puddings on

Wednesday 15th October

12 pm at Shop Chapel

Please book (£7.50) by contacting
Valerie on (01288) 331263 or Edith on (01288) 331397
Proceeds in aid of Shelter Box and Shop Chapel

ALL ARE MOST WELCOME

CHURCH SERVICES FOR OCTOBER 2025

Morwenstow Parish Church

September

Sunday 5 th	11.00am	Harvest Festival - Holy Communion with Rev Teresa Folland. Followed by Harvest Lunch
Sunday 12 th	11.00am	Family Service – Richard Painter & Shorne Tilbey
Sunday 19 th	9.30am	Holy Communion Rev Teresa Folland
Sunday 26 th	3.00pm	Evensong – Richard Painter

Woodford Methodist Chapel

Sunday 5 th	11.00am	Parish Church Harvest Festival
Sunday 12 th	11.00am	Ruth Jones
Sunday 19 th	11.00am	Harvest Festival - Andy Jerrard
Monday 20th	5.30pm	Harvest Supper with service and auction to follow
Sunday 26 th	11.00am	Holy Communion led by Rev Joy Wilson

Coffee Mornings – Wednesday 1st October 10.00am – 12.00pm. Chapel meeting to follow. All welcome.

Morwenstow Methodist Church – Shop Chapel

Sunday 5 th	11.00am	Harvest Festival at Parish Church
Sunday 12 th	11.00am	Holy Communion led by Rev Meg Slingo
Sunday 19 th	11.00am	Harvest Festival at Woodford Methodist Church
Sunday 26 th	11.00am	Service led by Merrytones

Merrytone services are led by the congregation and include hymns, readings, recitals, and songs by the Merrytones

Harvest Festival and Service

Monday 20th October

Woodford Chapel

Cornish tea £7 per person at 5.30 pm

Service with Revd Teresa Follen at 7 pm

Auction to follow.

All welcome

MORWENSTOW COMMUNITY CENTRE - MCC - NEWS

Take a look at our website to see what is happening at the centre

<https://morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk/>

Contact our Bookings Manager to make your own booking via this email:-

bookings@morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk OR Tel 01288 331393

We also have a Morwenstow Community Centre Facebook page:-

https://www.facebook.com/groups/637728588280275?locale=en_GB

Community Art Group - Joyful Moves - Play & Stay - Judo - Yoga - Pickleball

Badminton - We have a badminton net, you just need to bring your own racquets & shuttlecocks. Table Tennis - we have the equipment just need the human beings to use it so **BOOK A SESSION TO HAVE SOME FUN ON THOSE WET WINTER DAYS!!!!**

OUR NEXT FUNDRAISER IS OUR

Big Breakfast

in the

Morwenstow Community Centre

on

Saturday 18th October 2025

from 9:30am to 12:30pm

Fruit juice/cereal/full English/toast
tea or coffee

Tickets £8.50

Please ring Lainey on 01288 331540 to book your
places

Proceeds for the Morwenstow
Community Centre

MORWENSTOW CEILIDH/BARN DANCE

**Tickets are on sale now for the 2025 ceilidh. Please see the poster for details and come and have some fun and help fundraise for Morwenstow AED's.
The 999 Emergency Operator may direct you to collect the nearest AED wherever you are and the proceeds from this event will help be used to replace equipment.**



Morwenstow

Ceilidh / Barn Dance

including caller and songs with your band

Kervannen

**Morwenstow Community Centre, Shop, Morwenstow,
Bude, Cornwall EX23 9SL**

Saturday 15th November 2025

7.30 for an 8.00 p.m. start

Tickets £15 per adult

Book your tickets in advance please

Tel Lainey 01288 331540

Licensed bar - Refreshments available

**Raising funds for Morwenstow's
Automated Electronic Defibrillators (AED's)
on behalf of Morwenstow United Charities**

Please book your places now for this special Harvest Festival Luncheon. The luncheon is taking place in the 150th year since the death of The Reverend Robert Stephen Hawker who inaugurated the Harvest Festival as we know it today. All of his parishioners in this wild and remote area would have been very grateful for a plentiful harvest to see them through the winter in this beautiful but wild and remote area. Please see the poster for how to book by 4th October.



The Hawker Sesquicentennial Event - 150 Years since the
death of The Reverend Robert Stephen Hawker
Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th August 2025

Due to the hard work of all involved Morwenstow (so many I can't name them in case I miss somebody out) this auspicious event was a great success!

Amazing displays of all things Hawker in the Community Centre including a replica of Hawkers Hut (which is now safely installed in the Rectory Farm Tearooms garden for all to enjoy). The Church service led by The Right Reverend David Williams the 17th Bishop of Truro and many Cornwall dignitaries. The Blessing of the Morwenstow Church 'Dead House' to the right of the Church lych gate which has now been converted into a Bothy.

We also had a very special visit on the Sunday from Andrew Higgs, the great great great great nephew of Reverend Hawker, who brought his paintings of Hawker and his sister (his GGGG Aunt Charlotte) for all to enjoy.

We served over 120 cream teas on both days and from the very generous donations we raised a grand total of £934 for the continued refurbishment & alterations of the Morwenstow Community Centre. Thank you.

Thank you to all who attended the events and so sorry if you missed it!

Photos below are of the mural of Robert Stephen Hawker in the 'Bothy' and the replica of Hawkers Hut in the Rectory Tearooms Gardens looking like it has always been there!



The Morwenstow Society

Kowethas Logmorwenn

"To preserve the past and present for the future"

**"A COLLECTION OF MEMORABILIA
of the REV. R S HAWKER"
SHARED BY RICHARD WELLBY**

Friday 3 October 2025 at 7.30 p.m.

New members and visitors will always be made most welcome.
Subs are currently £12 per season, per person and a charge of £5
for visitors to include refreshments

Judith Ingram (Secretary)
Tel: 01288 331363

morsoc2@gmail.com

theWI

Morwenstow Women's Institute

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 8th October**

at 2.30 p.m. in the WI Hall in Shop

when our own members will be competing in our
annual Autumn Show

New members welcome

For more information, please contact: 01288 331426

INSPIRING WOMEN

Family News

Eileen DeRosa, formerly of Stibb, Kilkhampton, passed away peacefully at her home at Cleave Crescent, Morwenstow on 20th July aged 94 years. She was the widow of the late Jim and a much loved Mum, Grandmother and Great Grandmother. Eileen's funeral was held at Kilkhampton St James on 8th August followed by burial in the Churchyard, after-which, friends gathered at The New Inn to join the family for refreshments and to share fond memories of Eileen's life. Donations in lieu of flowers were for Cancer Research UK. Our sympathy goes to all her family, many of which live in Morwenstow Parish.

Deepest sympathy is expressed to Keith Shepherd of Meadowside, Woolley, his daughters Becky and Haddy and their families in their sad loss of Jill, who passed away on 26th July at Stratton Hospital with her family at her side aged 79 years. The funeral was held at our Parish Church on 12th August, followed by burial in the Churchyard. Rev Richard Ward-Smith officiated and the organist was Colin Tape. Members of the family took part in the service, sharing their memories of a much-loved lady. Originally from Exeter, Jill was actively involved in Parish life and will be sadly missed by all. Donations given to the memory of Jill were for Cancer Research UK and The League of Friends of Stratton Hospital. After the service and the burial, friends gathered at The Bush Inn for refreshments and to share fond memories of Jill's life.

Geraldine Ann Heard passed away in Derriford Hospital on 29th July after a short illness. Geraldine grew up at Dene Lodge and was one of the two daughters of the late Eric and Mary Heard. Our sympathy goes to her children Cameron and Lisa, her sister Janet Bizeray and all the family. There was no funeral in accordance with Geraldine's wishes. Donations to her memory were for The Dog's Trust.

Gwendoline Marjorie Knox peacefully passed away at Fairfield Country Rest Home, on Tuesday 26th August aged 92 years. Originally from London, Gwen and her late husband Tom came to live in Woodville Road many years ago. Regrettably, Tom passed away suddenly and Gwen moved, first to Kilkhampton and then to Poundstock. A pure cremation was held in accordance with Gwen's wishes and donations to her memory were for The Church of St James the Great, Kilkhampton, the Church where Gwen sang in the choir for many years and a Thanksgiving Service is scheduled to be held there on 18th October. Sympathy is extended to Gillian, Jon, Neil, Frances, Ro and Jude.

Our sympathy is with Tom Kirkbride of The Gables, Denise and Andrew May of Chapel Rise and all the family in their loss of Doreen, who passed away at NDDH on 11th September aged 89 years. Tom and Doreen came to live in Morwenstow after their daughter Denise took up a Teaching position at Bude Haven School. Doreen will be remembered as a compassionate and caring lady and she will be greatly missed. At the time of going to press, a service to celebrate Doreen's life is scheduled to be held at ND Crematorium on 9th October, with donations to the memory of Doreen for Royal Devon Hospitals Charity.

EDITORIAL

Email your articles to – jsphippsmc@hotmail.com

The latest date for copy is the 25th of the month preceding publication

The Editor is not responsible for the views and comments of contributors
and reserves the right to edit any article if necessary

If you wish to contact the Chairman of the Parish Council on any matter, please telephone Jonathan Hobbs on
(01288) 331236

USEFUL DATES

Rubbish & Recycling collections – Rubbish – Thursday 9th & 23rd October

Recycling – Thursday 2nd, 16th & 30th October

Food Waste collection every Thursday

Parish Council – 3rd Wednesday (except Aug & Dec)

(1st Wednesday – additional planning meeting if required)

Post Office – Thursdays 11.00am – 1.00pm

	Calendar of Events	
Date	Event	Organisation
Sunday 5 th October	Harvest Lunch	Morwenstow Church
Saturday 18 th October	Big Breakfast	Community Centre
Saturday 15 th November	Ceilidh	Morwenstow United Charities
Tuesday 2 nd December	Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch	MCC
Monday 8 th December	7.00pm AGM	MCC

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Budehaven School	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15:20	15:20	-	-	-
Holsworthy Church	-	-	-	10:35	-	12:35	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pyworthy, Molesworth Arms	-	-	-	10:42	-	12:42	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bridgerule, Bridge Inn	-	-	-	10:50	-	12:50	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jewell's Cross Garage	-	-	-	10:53	-	12:53	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red Post	-	-	-	10:55	-	12:55	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morrisons	-	-	-	11:04	-	13:04	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bude, The Strand	08:30	08:45	09:30	11:10	11:30	13:10	13:30	-	15:25	16:30	16:30	17:30
Poughill Post Office	-	08:53	-	-	-	13:18	-	-	15:33	16:38	-	-
Stibb, opp Phone Box	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15:39	-	-	-
Stibb, Coombe	-	09:04	-	-	-	13:29	-	-	-	16:49	-	-
Cleave Crescent	-	09:07	-	-	-	13:32	-	-	-	16:52	-	-
Morwenstow, Crosstown	-	09:12	-	-	-	13:37	-	-	-	16:57	-	-
Budehaven School	08:35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Berries Avenue, Playground	-	-	09:35	-	11:35	-	13:35	-	-	-	16:35	17:35
Berkeley Close	08:39	-	09:39	-	11:39	-	13:39	15:23	-	-	16:39	17:39
Red Post Junction	-	-	-	-	11:48	-	13:48	-	-	-	16:48	17:48
Grimscoth Estate	-	-	-	-	11:51	-	13:51	-	-	-	16:51	17:51
Kilhampton The Square	08:50	-	09:50	-	11:58	-	13:58	15:31	15:44	-	16:58	17:58
Kilhampton North Close	-	-	09:51	-	11:59	-	13:59	15:32	15:45	-	-	17:59
Crimp, Garage	-	-	09:55	-	12:03	-	14:03	15:36	15:49	-	-	18:03
Long Barrow	-	-	09:56	-	12:04	-	14:04	15:37	15:50	-	-	18:04
Welcombe Cross	-	-	09:57	-	12:05	-	14:05	-	15:51	-	-	18:05
Hartland Northgate Green	-	-	10:11	-	12:19	-	14:19	-	16:05	-	-	18:19

Better Housing Better Health

The Warmth & Wellbeing Service



HOME ENERGY ADVICE

Better Housing Better Health (BHBH) is a service working locally to improve your domestic warmth & wellbeing. Our free helpline provides you with a single point of contact for services, advice, and financial support in order to help improve the energy efficiency of your property.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Our team of experts can work with households to apply for grants and funding to help with your home energy. Schemes like the Warm Home Discount can take £150 off your bills and ECO Funding can replace heating systems as well as install insulation. Call us to see if you're eligible and start the process.



WE ARE HERE.

GET IN TOUCH

0800 107 0044

WWW.BHBH.ORG.UK



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PRIORITY SERVICES REGISTER



If you're of pensionable age, have long-term medical conditions or live with children under 5 years old, the BHBH team can assist you with checking your eligibility and signing your household up to the Priority Services Register so you find out about any issues and outages with your home energy immediately.



HELP TO ACCESS GRANT FUNDING

A trained home energy advisor can help to check eligibility and when possible, qualify you for national or regional funding for home energy efficiency measures such as loft insulation, boiler repairs or replacements, or cavity wall insulation. Smaller measures such as electric blankets or low energy lightbulbs may also be available in your area.

All advice is free, confidential, and tailored to the resident. To speak to one of the team, please call the number below weekdays between 9:00am and 5:00pm.

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