



Ordinary Meeting of Madron Parish Council held at Landithy Hall on Thursday

06th August 2026, at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr H Eddy (chairman)
Cllr C Roberts
Cllr M Scoble
Cllr L Phillips
Cllr H Uren
Cllr C Whitton

Cllr A England (vice-chairman)
Cllr R Mann
Cllr M Nicholls
Cllr V Peake
Cllr M Thomson
Cllr P Olds

Clerk Jodie Ellis and three members of the public.

1. **Apologies** – No apologies were received. Cornwall Cllr J Line was absent.
2. **Acceptance of Minutes** - The minutes of the ordinary council meeting held on the 2nd July 2026 were unanimously agreed and signed by the chairman.
3. **Declarations of interest in items on this agenda** – Cllrs Mann, Roberts and Scoble in Item 17. Cllr Scoble in item 15.
4. **Dispensations** – none received.
Cllr M Nicholls left
5. **Public Participation** – The architect for PA26/04307 advised that the application was withdrawn due to anomalies identified within the submission and the number of public comments posted online. To ensure accuracy and transparency, the applicant chose to withdraw the proposal to allow time to re-measure the site and confirm that all plans are correct. During renovation, the second-storey walls were constructed slightly wider than shown on the original plans due to practical issues encountered when working on an older building. The architect explained that such variations can occur during renovation. The materials used remain new and will weather over time to blend in with the surrounding environment.
The Applicant of PA26/04307 advised the two buildings were purchased with an aim to save them from disrepair, and to renovate them for their family and friends to enjoy. The history of the buildings has been respectfully considered in the plans. The plans were never intended to mislead or upset anyone, hence the withdrawal of the application to ensure accuracy and transparency in transforming these two historic buildings.
Places survive because they change, if they do not change they become obsolete. The plans include sensitive changes to ensure these remarkable buildings stay for the next generation. The design is of high quality as confirmed by CC and MPC in the previous application.
Cllr M Nicholls returned.
6. **Chairmans Comments** – Cllr Eddy read the following written report: July was a slightly quieter month than June. The football club are all back and signed up again for another 12 months, huge thank you to Jodie for patiently sorting the lease details; I hope that the 2026-27 season is a good one for Madron FC, its great to have the field used by a local team. The biggest event in July was the visit to Madron Skatepark by the Leader of Cornwall Council, Cllr Leigh Frost. The event was organised by Penwith Community Area Partnership (CAP) and was led by Guy Pace who is the co Ordinator for Penwith CAP. CAP chairman Cllr Jonny Wells from St Ives and vice Chairman, our own Cllr Clare Roberts were also there. Madron Skatepark was chosen because the Community Area Partnership feel it is an outstanding example of a Parish Council working with Cornwall Council to deliver a community scheme, particularly for a small council like Madron. Cornwall Councillor Brian Clemens who was also

present said that Madron Parish Council really should be proud of what it has achieved with the skatepark. There was also an opportunity to talk to the leader of Cornwall Council, who was very open to discussion, its not every day the Leader is in our parish so various issues like the Madron Meat site were raised. Thank you to the other Madron Parish Councillors who attended as well, Cllrs England, Peake, Phillips, Nicholls and Scoble. I was up the playing field in early July and noticed a resident reverse out of the back of Aldreath Cottages and use the playing field entrance. He actually stopped and spoke and said that the main access to the cottages is too rough to get his car out, however he said he was getting some quotes for tarmac. I was very impressed to see on the leaders visit that indeed the access road for Aldreath Cottages has been now repaired, and since then I've noted that the gate has been closed since. I've been using the playpark and skatepark this holidays with my kids and the playpark is now in need of attention. I would urge councillors to think seriously about resolving this. My own opinion is that I would not like to see it removed as it is free resource benefiting anyone with limited funds during the holidays to entertain their kids. Cornwall Council have a policy of removing and not replacing playpark equipment when it is worn out, as confirmed by the leader on his visit, who said that "Cornwall Council absolutely should not be running play parks". I feel that town and parish councils must make the effort to fill this void left by CC: Heamoor Big park, Wherrytwon and St Just are all losing their play equipment. Finally, I'd like to say that the roadworks in Heamoor have started and the diversion seems to be working well.

7. Councillor's Questions and Comments - (24 hour's notice to clerk advisable)

There is a local screening of the People's Emergency Briefing film on the threats to British life from ongoing damage to nature and to our climate at Zennor Village Hall on the 21st September 2026 at 6.30pm
Madron hill needs trimming on the left above Poltair.

Hedges around the Electric substation at the bottom of Bone Valley need trimming, clerk will report again.

There are numerous cases of speeding through the village by one car in particular around 8.30am, clerk to report to the police.

A poster about the plans for the children's play area project and how to get involved will be placed in the notice board and on Facebook.

Hedges should be trimmed by the landowner or highways and not individual parishioners as they have no authority or insurance to do so.

Drains in the village are becoming blocked with leaves.

8. Comments from Cornwall Councillor J Line - Cllr Line was absent.

9. Planning Applications –

[PA26/03625](#) - 6 Bellair Road Madron Penzance - Listed building consent: re- roofing of southeast elevation. It was RESOLVED that Cllrs had no objection as long as the planning officer is satisfied with the Heritage officers comments.

[PA26/03666](#) - Chy-An-Vounder Trezelah Gulval Penzance - Construction of Boot room extension and Garage/ Car port in extant parking space. It was RESOLVED that Cllrs had no objection.

[PA26/04307](#) - The Piggery Newbridge Penzance - Extension to connect the existing house to the outbuilding with vertical circulation and associated rear landscaping works with variation of Condition 2 of decision notice PA24/07433 dated 13/12/2024. – **Withdrawn until updated plans are submitted.**

[PA26/03906](#) - Chy-An-Bara Church Road Madron Penzance - Listed building consent for the replacement of 7 windows with new double-glazed windows. It was RESOLVED that Cllrs had no objection as long as the planning officer is satisfied with the Heritage officers comments.

Planning Training dates:

Housing viability update - Wednesday 16 September, 4.15-5.15 pm

Changes to Planning Committees and protocols, Policy update – 23 September 2026 4.00-5.30pm

Neighbourhood Priorities Statement survey closed on the 24th July 2026, clerk is yet to receive any data from this from CC and will continue to chase.

10. Clerk's Report and Correspondence

The Cornwall Council Leader / CAP visit took place on the 22nd July 2026 and was a positive meeting looking at how the parish achieved the skatepark.

Trafalgar Service is Sunday 18th October 2026 – Cllrs Eddy and Whitton will liaise regarding the road closures. It was agreed clerk will source quotes to provide refreshments for 80 people for sausage rolls, quiches and cakes from local caterers and bring back to Septembers meeting.

Police patrols – clerk has asked the local police team to carry out patrols through Madron.

The bin on the Green is a CC bin and is a dual-purpose bin, more frequent empties can be requested online.

Register of interests forms were received from Cllrs HE, PO, MT, CW and HU.

The Audit was carried out with the clerk and Cllrs Scoble and Mann and no issues were found.

11. **Storage** – Cllrs agreed that the storage facilities in Landithy are required as there are a lot of files to be stored. It was agreed to discuss costs for this facility at September's meeting.
12. **Public Rights of Way** – The footpath at Mulfra has been trimmed this week.
13. **Payments** - It was unanimously agreed and RESOLVED that the following payments be approved:

Jodie Ellis, clerk	Salary	£1,261.67
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HMRC	Clerk Tax / NI	£557.06
Cornwall Pension Fund	Clerk LGPS	£340.27
SWPSI	Rospa Inspection x 2 and annual inspection	£311.00
Cornwall Council	Bin emptying x 8 2026/2027	£1545.46
Mr R Sanders	king George Cut x 2	£384.00
Complete weed control	Madron pavement treatment	£288.00
Peninsula Ground Care	King George GPS Line marking	£114.00
Playing Field Account-		
EDF	Pavilion Electricity - DD	£27.91
14. **Financial Reports** – It was RESOLVED to approve the cashbook, bank reconciliation and budget monitoring reports as at 29.07.26
Cllr Scoble left.
15. **Madron Daniel school** – Clerk advised the Daniel Trust solicitors are in discussion with CVC who are now able to act for the parish council. It was agreed the chairman and Vice chairman would be the signatories on behalf of the parish council.
Cllr Scoble returned.
16. **King George V Playing field** - to discuss and resolve the following agenda items:
 - a. Residents accessing houses through the new entrance has been resolved as the access lane has been tarmacked.
 - b. Speed of vehicles using the new access track and reversing causing a danger to pedestrians – clerk will email the football team to ask them to ensure they keep to low speeds.
 - c. Signs on the new access tracks were discussed and it was agreed they were kept low so as to stop anyone pulling them out.
 - d. Annual ROSPA Inspection findings – Cllrs discussed the report and agreed they would like to move things forward. Any parishioners with any thoughts or suggestions should email the clerk as the parish would welcome any feedback. Cllrs wish to progress the project by possibly removing the old equipment and replacing with one multi use piece and new fencing to start with. As more funding is sourced more pieces will be added. Clerk will continue to source quotes and suggestions for September's meeting.
 - e. Pavilion – the clerk has asked Penzance youth team to contact her to discuss possible ways to utilise the pavilion as a community / youth hub.
 - f. Building local benefit through Community Ownership - community energy email circulated to members. Unfortunately, no one was able to attend the workshop on the 05.08.26.
 - g. To agree the use of the playing field and pavilion for the Madron summer fete 29.08.26 – It was RESOLVED that the pavilion would be allowed to be used free of charge for the summer fete.
Cllrs Scoble, Roberts and Mann left.
17. **Grant application** – Cllrs discussed the grant application from the Madron War Memorial Trust for funding towards the installation of CCTV and improvement works at the war memorial grounds, including new gates and drainage. Cllrs agreed that the war memorial is an important part of the village.
It was **RESOLVED** that, as the CCTV grant received from the PCC was awarded in 26/27 while the expenditure occurred in 25/26, funds were available to be transferred into the grants budget.
It was **RESOLVED** to award **£2,000** to the Madron War Memorial Trust.
Cllrs Scoble, Roberts and Mann returned.
18. **Update from any other External meetings** – none.
19. **Any other Business for the next Agenda** – none.
20. **Time and Date of Next Meeting** – Thursday 03rd September 2026 at 7.30pm at Landithy Hall.