



TRA - Turnchapel Residents Association

Minutes of Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Date: 30 April 2026

Location: Borringdon Arms, Turnchapel

Time: 19:30 – 21:10

Chair: Lorraine Lees (LL)

Secretary: Kris Warren (KW)

Treasurer: Luc Barbier (LB)

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Sarah, Antony, Kris, Linda, Colin, Brian, and Mary.

2. Welcome

The Chair, Lorraine Lees, welcomed 16 attendees to the meeting.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 29 January 2026 were reviewed and agreed as a true and accurate record.

4. Committee Elections (Agenda Item Moved Forward)

Agenda Item 9 (Committee Voting) was brought forward to allow residents leaving early to participate.

LL advised that Kris (Secretary), Harriet, and Anthony (Committee Member) would be stepping down.

The TRA expressed sincere thanks for their dedication and contributions, acknowledged by a round of applause.

Committee Appointments for 2026/27

1. **Chair:** Lorraine Lees
2. **Treasurer:** Luc
3. **Secretary:** Kris (continuing until a replacement is found)

LL outlined the role of committee members, highlighting it as both rewarding and enjoyable, and encouraged participation. Interest was noted from Sarah and potentially 2–3 additional residents not present.

5. Treasurer's Report

Luc presented the financial report:

1. Current balance: approximately £7,500, including £1,500 held for the History Group
2. Annual insurance has been paid
3. Small budgeted expenses validated/voted for the year (Halloween, Xmas Fair, Easter...)

Thanks were extended to residents who support TRA activities (litter picking, gardening, poo bag provision), improving the village appearance.

6. Membership

Annual membership fee: £5 (voluntary) contributions support TRA administration and activities

7. History Group & Community Updates

Conservation Area Appraisal (CAAMP)

1. Harriet updated on progress, including a recent review session at the Borringdon Arms.
2. Concerns were raised about including Mount Batten in reassessment, potentially diluting focus and funding for Turnchapel.

Plymouth Sound Marine Park & Mural

1. Successful archive visit to Greenwich (Harriet, Toni, Tesla)
2. Strong community participation in mural workshops
3. Support from partners including the council, Blue Sparks, and a paint company
4. Target completion: **July 2026**

Upcoming mural session:

1. Saturday 9 May at 14:00 (additional dates to follow)

Civic Invitation

1. Residents invited to attend the Mayor of Plymouth swearing-in (Katy Watkin) 22 May, 10:00–12:00

Invasive Pacific Oysters

1. Marine Conservation event held 22 March (well attended)
 2. Thanks to Rob Dixon for organisation
 3. Risks highlighted: sharp shells causing injuries
 4. Suggestions:
 1. Regular voluntary culls
 2. Counting oysters for reporting
 3. Installation of safety signage
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8. Future Events

1. **Richard Brocklesby Charity Sail (Parkinson's UK):**
Departing Plymouth Yacht Haven, 9 May at 08:00
 2. **Turnchapel in Bloom:**
Encouraged throughout May
 3. **Turnchapel Sailing Club Regatta:**
5 September
Opportunities to sail Friday evenings (~17:30). Contact Luc.
 4. **Planned Events:**
 1. Village Murder Mystery (September)
 2. Summer BBQ (TBC)
 3. Swap Shop (TBC)
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9. Village Activity Updates

1. Tesla raised £745 through cold water dipping (February) – thanks noted
 2. Clovelly Inn 'Pie and Ale Festival' – highly successful
 3. **Top Garden:**
 1. Interest in improving biodiversity
 2. Concerns noted
 3. Item deferred to next meeting
 4. **Admiralty #6 Stone:**
 1. Removed during demolition
 2. Currently held safely in storage
 5. **Book Club:**
Continuing successfully; new members welcome
 6. Residents encouraged to share or start clubs, with TRA support for promotion
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10. Any Other Business

Music Quizzes

1. Agreed: **30% of profits** to be donated to charity

Mount Batten Pier Safety

1. Residents advised to remain vigilant around anglers casting lines

Neighbourhood Watch

1. Reminder to report suspicious activity, particularly at night/early morning

Photography Project

1. Tesla welcomed ideas for a village photography project

Moorings

1. New moorings installed and operating under Cattewater Harbour Commissioners
 2. Waiting list remains for Turnchapel
 3. Limited availability at Hooe Lake
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11. Meeting Close

The meeting closed at **21:10**.

Action Summary

Action	Responsible	Notes
Recruit new Secretary	TRA Committee	Interim cover by Kris
Plan mural sessions	Harriet & team	Ongoing to July
Consider oyster management actions	Volunteers / TRA	Explore signage & counts
Review Top Garden proposals	TRA / Residents	Next meeting
Organise upcoming events	TRA Committee	BBQ, Swap Shop, Murder Mystery