

Panel Henwyn Tyller hag Arwodhyow Place-name and Signage Panel

Dydh / Date: Dy'Gwener 20ves a vis Metheven 2025

Le / Venue: Friday 20th June 2025

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- 1. Diharasow / Apologies
- 2. Kovnotyansow / Minutes
- 3. Materow ow sordya / Matters arising
- 4. Materow Ughella / Strategic Issues
- 5. Arwodhyow yn stretow / Street signs
- 6. Henwyn tyller / Place Names
 - Missing St Levan names
- 7. Negys aral / Any Other Business
- 8. Dydh an kuntelles nessa / Date of Next Meeting 18/07/25

Paperow a vern / Background papers

- Kovnotyansow kuntelles a veu synsys 16/05/2025 / Minutes of the meeting held 16/05/2025 – Previously circulated
- Outstanding Street names
- Missing St Levan names

Ober A-dheu / Future Work

- Penwith Place Names
- Finish Parishes
- Intermediate Names



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Kovnotyansow an kuntelles synsys: Dy'Gwener 20 mis Metheven 2025

Draft Minutes of the meeting held: Friday 20 June 2025

Attendees: J Edmondson; K George; J Gillingham; L Jenkin; C Lake; T Moyle;

R Sheaff

In attendance: S Rogerson

Item Action

1 Diharesow / Apologies

None

2 Kovnotyansow / Minutes

Minutes of the meeting dated 16 May 2025 were read and agreed as correct.

3 Materow ow sordya / Matters arising

None

4 Materow ughella / Strategic issues

None

5 Arwodhow yn stretow / Street signs

Brook Drive, Flexbury = Rosva an Gover

Man of War View, The Lizard = Gwel Mena For'

There are few records this name, with suggestions in the 1800s being <Men an vawr> (Edmund George, 1875) and <Menavore> (Bannister, 1871).

It was considered likely this name is in fact related to the Mena-Vaur (SWF: *Mena Fordh*); a rock located northwest of St Helen's on Scilly. The variant <For'> acknowledges the 19thC. forms above.

Item Action

St Thomas Road, Newquay = **Fordh S. Tommas**

Port Eliot Road, Treledan = Fordh Porth Eliot

Prideaux Place, Treledan = Tyller Prideaux

Marazion Lane, Treledan = **Bownder Marghasyow**

Caerhays Close, Treledan = **Kew Karyhes**

Cotehele Lane, Treledan = **Bownder Kosheyl**

Trethiggey Crescent, Quintrell Downs = **Gwarak Tredhegi**

Trethiki 1284 suggests <ki> 'dog', possibly being a pet name.

Trevelveth Road, Crantock = Fordh Trevelwydh

Based on the personal name Melwydh, a form of Maelwith (Maglo-uictos).

6 Henwyn tyller / Placenames

Connor Downs

The proposal that Connor Downs originates not from an Irish name but a version of Welsh <cynhordy> 'kennel(s)' was not upheld.

- Irish landowner names are found in the area, which shows a connection. Along with the link to the parish's Saint Gothian.
- The suggested Welsh term is based on the presence of <-di-> in the 1086 spelling Conarditone. This is the only historical form which contained this extra syllable. Which itself could have also been a scribal mishearing of an Irish name such as Ó Connachtaigh.
- The Panel maintains that "Conar" was most likely a name, with the manor or river named after them.

Breazle (Devon)

There was agreement that historical forms for Breazle (Devon)—see Brewleshull, 1287— could certainly be interpreted as a 'ruined court'. Based on the Cornish elements <bre>
'broken' + <lys> 'court' with English 'hill'.

Maen Pern, Constantine = DEFERRED

There were various possible interpretations for "Pern" including:

 A family name such as 'Pearne' or related to Trespearne which is recorded in east Cornwall. # Item Action

- A version of Perrin*, a pet form of Peter.
- An abbreviation of 'Penryn', with the standing stone perhaps serving as a marker.
- If it is related directly to the standing stone itself, then it may feature
 '(rock) pile'.

Maen Toll = DEFERRED

It was suggested the "toll" is from <poll> '(stone) pit'.

Tolvan, Constantine = **Tolven**

Closed compound stress on <toll> would cause the m>v mutation of <men> 'stone'. The "tol men" has not undergone mutation in the same way likely as it is such a common name.

Polkanuggo, Stithians = Pollkronogow

Containing <pol> 'pool' + <kronogow> 'toads'. The expected plural form is <-es> though, and so the <-ow> plural ending would be presented at a Terminology Panel as a possible alternative.

7 Negys aral / Any other business

None

8 Dydh an kuntelles nessa / Date of next meeting

Friday 18 July 2025, 10-12.30pm; Microsoft Teams meeting