

ANNUAL REPORT 2025-26

Mitchel Troy United Community Council (MTUCC) covers the villages of Mitchel Troy, Dingestow, Tregare, Wonastow, Cwmcarnan, and Pen-y-clawdd.

Your councillors

If you have questions or concerns, MTUCC will try to help directly or put you in touch with an appropriate organisation.

Our website is www.mitcheltroyunitedcc.org.uk

In the first instance please contact one of the councillors listed below:

Councillor	Area	Email
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Please contact the clerk if you are interested in becoming a councillor.

What we do

Community Councils are made up of local people who give their time to work for, and on behalf of, their community.

MTUCC meets on the second Tuesday of every month (except August and December) at 7.30pm in a village hall in our area. The meetings last around 2 hours and are open to the public. Our chief responsibility is to make known the concerns of local people to Monmouthshire County Council (MCC) and other public bodies.

During 2025-26, the Council:

- Provided grants for the maintenance of the 5 churchyards in our area.
- Provided grants for Tregare Village hall for new tables, Citizens Advice Monmouth, and Friends of Mitchel Troy Glebe Field for their set up as a charity.

- Paid for the emptying of dog waste bins.
- Leased an area in Dingestow so dogs can be walked safely.
- Paid for the maintenance of Wonastow War Memorial.
- Maintained village notice boards.
- Consulted with local residents on 28 planning applications.
- Reported 22 highway problems to MCC (including potholes, verge damage, fences and bridges in need of repair and overhanging trees).
- Reported issues concerning public rights of way such as stiles, diversions, and blockages.
- Consulted on issues of speed and road safety.
- Investigated resident enquiries and questions.
- Supported defibrillator upkeep.
- Represented the area on the One Voice Wales Area Committee, village hall committees, Friends of Glebe Field, and public road safety meetings.

We are supported and represented by two County Councillors (Richard John and Jayne Mckenna), who attend our meetings. They give us a summary of issues that might directly affect our residents and are able to take local concerns back to the appropriate department at County Hall.

We are currently looking for enthusiastic people keen to make a difference to their community so if you are interested in joining us, please contact the clerk.

What we cost 2025-26

The council is funded via a precept from MCC. Our expenditure in 2025-26 was as follows:

Clerk's salary and payroll services	£7,215
Grass cutting/support for churchyards	£3,000
Members allowances	£1,872
Website and IT	£1,091
Grants for small projects incl defibs	£1,033
Grant to Citizens Advice Monmouth	£1,000
Office costs	£982
Dog bin emptying	£956
Insurance	£300
Wonastow war memorial	£270
Subscription to SLCC	£150

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Hall hire	£122
Audit fees	£75
Bank charges	£73
Total	£18,139

Chair's report

This year the Council has continued its diverse work of representing residents across our area, from responding to planning applications to reporting overhanging trees. Much of this work is routine but essential, helping to keep our rural communities safe, accessible and well-maintained.

We have continued to support local facilities and community groups through grants to the five churchyards, Tregare Village Hall, Citizens Advice Monmouth and the Friends of Mitchel Troy Glebe Field. The Council has maintained village noticeboards, funded dog-waste bin emptying and supported small community projects including defibrillator upkeep. Councillors have attended meetings on road safety — particularly concerning the A40 near Raglan — and we welcome the new safety measures now being introduced.

I would like to thank all councillors for their commitment throughout the year. My thanks also go to our County Councillors, Richard John and Jayne McKenna, who attend regularly and keep us informed of wider developments. It has been a privilege to serve as Chair, and I am grateful to everyone who contributes to the work of the Council.

Julian Dyer - Chair 2025/26

Contacting Us

Residents are warmly encouraged to attend meetings, raise concerns, or volunteer for village projects.

To get in touch with us via the Clerk, please email clerk@mitcheltroyunitedcc.org.uk

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