



LAPWING *Vanellus vanellus*
The green Plover or Peewit.
Habit - fields, pasture and moors.
Notes - Peep-wit and long whistling note.
Dialect known in Bradworthy as the Hornwink.

Bradworthy Parish Council

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Minutes of BRADWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL meeting held in the Collacott Room, Bradworthy Memorial Hall on Friday 31st October 2025 at 7pm

Present:

Vice Chairman: Cllr S Lander, Cllrs L Holloway, M Coles, V Stevens, S Wright, G Greatorex, S Payne, R Boughton, District Cllr S Andrews
Chris Summerfield (Clerk)
Meeting started 19.00

Cllr Lander advised the meeting is being recorded

- 1. **Apologies for absence** District Cllr A Dart, S Harding, County Cllr L Rowsell. Cllr V Chapman had emailed to say she would be late
- 2. **Public comment session**
No public attending
- 3. **Councillors Declarations of Interests**
Cllr Chapman had previously emailed to say she would be late and could it be documented that she would be abstaining from planning application 1/0801/2025 Homeland

4. Minutes:

- (i) **to receive, confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 26th September 2025**(emailed to all cllrs)MC brought to the attention under the section matters for consideration it says GG said the Hall were going to pay for the new light, this has not been agreed by the committee agreed Cllr SW reported that at the last Hall meeting now that the bushes have been removed it is lighter was a light still needed? – the Parish Council discussed this and asked have the Memorial Hall done a risk assessment as the Councillors feel it is still dark . The Parish Council had brought this to the Hall due to the concerns about the lack of light. **Proposed VS seconded GG all agreed**
- (ii) **progress report on ‘Action’ points from the minutes** (not already included on the report)
nothing to report
- (iii) **matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda**
Nothing to report

5. Chairmans Report

This morning, I attended the Beacon Solar meeting at Holsworthy Memorial Hall. This is because there are plans to develop a massive solar farm of 2,700 acres (4 square miles) of agricultural land surrounding Holsworthy Beacon, making it one of the largest solar farms in Europe. I believe 200 people said they would attend but it was standing room only and the crowd was judged to be in excess of 300 people. CPRE hosted it and Sir Geoffrey Cox KC was one of the speakers who gave a rousing address. He said he was going to apply to become a party to the examination panel and arrange legal support from people he knows. He said he was very much opposed to the use of agricultural land for this ‘alien proposal’. He went on to say that the land should be used for food. He reminded us that the world is in turmoil which could result in a war and we would need to be self sufficient in food.

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Jackie Copley, the campaigns lead of CPRE suggested that they were not totally against solar energy but felt these panels would be better served on roofs and not agricultural land. Plus nobody knows what will happen to these panels at the end of their life and who would be responsible for their removal and recycling.

Steve Boulton, the chairman of Stop Beacon Solar vowed to fight the plans, saying they were unnecessary and unsustainable.

The Councillors discussed the effect this will have on the area

Clr SA said the solar energy will not be used locally - the network can't take it.

6. Clerks Report

An email has been received from Devon & Somerset Fire Rescue Service Precept survey respond before 3.12.25

I have had a parishioner report Jenns Cross road markings not visible and road sign damaged, I have reported to DCC 23.10.25 Jenns Cross Stowford Cross Blatchborough Cross The Square and Three Lane End and had emails to confirm the reports. I have updated the parishioner. Salt/Grit I spoke to DCC and was told that even though we do not have snow warden scheme we can order more salt if so 5T is free – it was agreed to order 1T which will be 40 bags and ask if we can have additional bins CS to order

I have been advised that the Hall is booked for our Jan meeting and they will need the Collacott room so could we either have the meeting the week before or use the Sunday School room that month? – it was decided to have the meeting a week early in January

An invitation was received re Solar Farm Holsworthy Beacon 11.30 31.10.25 (you were all emailed this and Sue reported about this in her Chair's report

I am now adding road closures to our website

Rough sleeper report 12.11.25 SL to report

7.26 Clr VC entered meeting

Vision ICT did have a problem Wednesday with their emails now working again

7. District Councillors Report

Clr SA no meetings to report as it is next week

8. County Councillors Report

Report received and emailed to all Clrs

9. Devon & Cornwall Police Report

Nothing reported despite CS speaking to a Holsworthy police officer asking for them to respond to the Council email – I have still not heard anything

10. Planning Matters (including any received after the issue of the agenda)

Applications;

1/0724/2025/OUT Outline planning permission for up to 5no dwellings with all matters reserved except for access land at grid reference 232054 114095 Mill Road Bradworthy Letter to send CS GG stated good response written – proposed LH seconded GG all agreed

1/0745/2025/FUL single storey extension Jasmine Cottage letter to send CS proposed LH seconded GG all agreed

1/0740/2025/FUL Creation of access and associated driveway and the closing of existing access (affecting a public right of way) South View Bradworthy letter to send CS proposed VS seconded MC all agreed

1/0715/2025/FUL Part retrospective application for the widening of an access hard standing and the erection of new agricultural building land at grid reference 231806 114694 Bradworthy letter to send CS proposed SW seconded LH all agreed

1/0781/2025/FUL Demolition of existing barn and erection of 1no dwelling in lieu of class Q approval 1/1000/2024/AGMB (self Build) Barn at grid reference 232670 115222 Bradworthy letter to send CS proposed MC seconded VS all agreed

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1/0801/2025/FUL Erection of side extension and internal alterations Homeland North Road Bradworthy

Cllr VC abstained

Noted proposed GG seconded SW all agreed

Cllr SP commented that the conservation officer has not responded on Martins application – **CS** to write to conservation officer re this

Decisions

1/0381/2025/FUL erection of a stable block Moor Barn Mobile Home Bradworthy **Granted**
Chris informed the Council that the new application had been **permitted** to remove 4 trees with TPOs on her land due to the health and safety so work will start soon

11. Finance

Invoices for payment: to consider and approve the schedule of payments (emailed to all cllrs) plus approval by the Council of any invoices over £100 .

2 invoices over £100, £105 Mike Spencer and TDC £3729.24 (approved by email as it needed paying before the meeting) There are a couple of others not on the report yet £7.50 for a remembrance flag and £8.30 photocopier paper proposed VS seconded VC all agreed

12. Play Area

Quotes have been sent to all Cllrs from 3 companies regarding 2 seats and chains installed these were discussed in detail it was agreed to go with Piran £948.00 this includes the mounting plate on the Kompan springer Dolphin. Adrian Avery to be informed that S106 money to pay for this and any VAT reclaimed would be transferred into the S106 bank account proposed GG seconded LH all agreed

13. Remembrance arrangements

The Vicar has put details of the service on Facebook 10.45 start then going to the Church followed by raise a glass in the pub

14. Land adjacent to Allison Homes new housing estate

Still no response from Bromells. Contact TDC regarding the storage area being cleared as per the Construction Management Plan to re-instate when finished building **CS**

15. Emergency Plan

Nothing has been done recently but will arrange a meeting before Christmas **SL**

16. Maintenance

Cllr SL reported she had received complaints about the overgrown hedge in the alley way between North Road and Langdon Road write to home owner **CS**

17. Footpath Issues

Post on the Green has been done now

18. Christmas arrangements

Cllr GG reported further lights/equipment are needed for square proposed £500 proposed GG seconded MC all agreed

Tree – CS had sent some photos of 18' tree options available £185 + delivery

When to do the switching on of the lights discussed agreed 6.12.25 @ 5.30 therefore delivery of the tree 1.12.25 **CS** to order tree all agreed

Carols around the tree 19.12.25 @ 6.30 mince pies to be paid for by SL using Chair Allowance All agreed

19. Dog Poo Bins

TDC charge £300 + VAT for each bin I have the form but haven't completed it yet, suggestion at

Signed Date.....

Draft Minutes of the meeting 26th September 2025 for adoption 31st October 2025

the Holsworthy end of St Peters Well Lane we need to supply what3words

CLlr SL stated that there is a lot of rubbish being left in the bins in the square proposed GG seconded VS all agreed

20. Grant

SP asked if policy on website CS to Check that the policy is on the website

CS

21. Flags

Devon flag to be purchased CS

22. Precept

TDC have emailed to say that they will be setting Precept in December depending on the deadline to respond approval by email may be needed we will need to go through the Budget first

SL and CS will be attending DALC precept meeting in November

23. Matters for consideration and matters to be noted at the Chairman's discretion

VS

Nothing to report

SW

Hall committee meeting:-

New kitchen installed

Hall events:-

15th Nov & 6th Dec – Food & Craft Market

22nd November Table Top Sale re Toddler Group

12th Dec – Xmas dinner/dance

29th 30th 31st January Pantomime

GG

Has reported to TDC a trip hazard by the pump near Wades

RB

Nothing to report

SP

Nothing to report

VC

Nothing to report

LH

Nothing to report

MC

There is a Cllr advocate meeting in Plymouth 3.12.25 re Drugs and alcohol

Meeting ended 20.40

Next meeting 28.11.25 at 7pm in the Collacott Room

Signed Date.....