

BRADWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Friday
27th June 2025 in The Collacott Room, Memorial Hall,
Bradworthy

Present:

Chairman: Cllr S Lander. Cllrs, M Coles, G Greatorex, L Holloway, S Payne, S Wright, V Stevens, V Chapman, A Dart
Chris Summerfield (Clerk)

Meeting started 19.04

Cllr Lander advised the meeting is being recorded

1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllrs S Harding, S Andrews

2. Public Comment Sessions:

None

3. Councillors Declarations of Interests:

None

4. Minutes:

- (i) **to receive, confirm and sign the minutes of the 3 Parish Council meetings held on 30th May 2025**

Resolved: That the minutes are a true and accurate record and should be signed by the Chairman.

Proposed VS Seconded SW all agreed Cllr V Chapman was unable to comment on the minutes relating to the 1st meeting last month as she arrived after it had finished

- (ii) **progress report on Action Points from the minutes (not already included on the agenda** **nothing to report**

- (iii) **matters arising from the minutes not already covered on the agenda** **nothing to report**

5. Chairman's Report:

I have received an email from one of the Commoners concerning wild fires. The concern being dry hot summers and Bradworthy Moor. They asked if we had anything in place but also thought that local farmers would be ideally placed to take action as a group. I think I will add this to the Emergency plan plus contact Devon Fire brigade to see if they have any advice or risk assessments we can use.

I have also had an email from the Hall Committee. They discussed the possibility of having a back-up generator installed in the Hall. There is someone in the village who runs a generator business, and they are going to contact them for advice.

Apparently, it looks like some of the potholes outside the moor are to be repaired. Sprayed yellow section lines and white chalk marks around the holes have been spotted.

6. Clerks report

An email has been sent to the CLT to ask when the AGM is being held, but I have not had a reply

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A parishioner has raised concerns about an Ash tree with Ash dieback, the tree is next to a footpath on the edge of the village, TDC details have been given

Adrian Avery TDC has been sent the details regarding the expenditure from the S106 money for replacement timber for the swing, he is also aware of the plans to repair and paint the tractor

External Audit information has been prepared and submitted to the auditors

I have reported the lack of white give way lines on the crossroads

We need to agree a time and date to meet Sandra Brown from TDC Highways – it was agreed to suggest Friday pm CS

I have reported a drain that has dropped on Mill Road – this has now been repaired

I have just received an email from Holsworthy Motor Club advising that they will be holding “Roger Pole Taw & Torridge Classic Reliability Trial” this year on Sept 14th

7. District Councillors Report

Cllr Dart had emailed report which had been sent on to all Cllrs

Torridge did not authorise £60K on electric cars to replace 8-year-old low mileage vehicles.

Devon County finances not good.

Cllr Lander asked about the grants for playground – Rural Prosperity Fund – Officers needed to respond within 5 days Hartland and Winkleigh were put forward. Cllr Greateorex suggested some ideas should be ready for future opportunities.

Cllr Dart said BPC have S106 money in TDC but Cllrs think this is the money we have in our account for the play area.

It was discussed that there are a number of things the village need

It was asked about Brunswick Walk expenditure Cllr Dart said she would send on the information.

Concerns were discussed about the Ambulance Trust, we are serviced by Holsworthy, Cllr Greateorex said that they had asked for funding. Cllr Dart reported she had seen on news SW Ambulance Trust said will trial volunteer service, when Robin Julian attended Hartland meeting, he said out of consultation, who is making the decisions? Cllr Dart asking people to contact Clare Hodson TDC correspondent who can feed to Devon CC they are having Health and Scrutiny meeting 14.7.25 John from SW Ambulance Trust has been invited unsure if he will attend, Cllr Dart has sent some comments and Hartland have started a petition.

8. County Councillors Report

Nothing reported but need to keep pushing for a report if not attending

9. Devon & Cornwall Police Report:

Nothing reported but it was agreed that MC should become Police Cllrs Advocate

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scheme, there is a meeting at Strawberry Fields next Wednesday, MC said she will try to attend.

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

Applications

(1) 1/0407/2025/FUL Provision of 4no. self contained holiday lets above the approved shower block under 1/0009/2022/FUL

Location: Farm Building At Grid Reference 229431 111542, E) 229431 (N) 111542

It was agreed that the response prepared was really good proposed GG seconded MC all agreed

2) 1/0459/2025/FULM change of use of land to form an additional 25 all year round touring caravan and camping pitches (variation of condition 8 of planning approval 1/0187/2024/FULM) Higher Alsworthy Farm Bradworthy response proposed SW seconded GG all agreed

(3) 1/0474/2025/FUL demolition of agricultural building to be replaced with 2no dwellings grid reference 230098 116353 Bradworthy response proposed VC seconded SW all agreed

(4) 1/0485/2025/FUL demolition of agricultural buildings and erection of 1 dwellinghouse with associated works in lieu of class Q permission 1/010/2021/AGMB (variation of condition 2 planning approval 1/0474/2023/FUL site of barn at grid reference 230263 117102 Bradworthy response proposed SW seconded LH all agreed

Cllr Lander thanked Cllr Payne for putting together the responses proposed by the Parish Council Planning Sub Group

Decisions

(i) 1/0702/2024/FUL Proposed extension and garage (Amended Certificate)

The Granary Lower Hele Farm Bradworthy Holsworthy Devon EX22 7SW **Appeal Allowed**

(ii) 1/0635/2024/AGMB Prior notification for the change of use of agricultural building to 1 no. dwellinghouse and associated building operations under Class Q, Jenns. Appeal Denied

(iii) 1/0410/2025/AGMB Prior notification for the change of use of agricultural building to 1no dwellinghouse and associated building operations under class Q Withdrawn

11. Finance:

- (i) Invoices for payment: to consider and approve the schedule of payments: Resolved: That all the payments listed on the schedule of payments received by Cllrs at the meeting be approved as well as the invoices just received. Invoices over £100 Cumbria Clock £234.00 there was an advisory on the report so it was agreed to get a quote for the repairs**

Proposed MC Seconded Cllr VS all agreed

13. Pledge for Nature/Apple Trees

Cllr SP had been looking into apple trees has 3 pages to go through – Adams apples Heritage will check about the canker with them

14. Woolery Road condition

Nothing further done yet

CS to send email

12. Footpaths

FP7 has been sorted now, Footpath invoice has been sent

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13. Emergency Plan – Generator etc

Meeting is now 23.7.25 Cllr Lander will email

14. Play Area

Cllr Lander thanked all those who helped with the replacement timbers for the swing. It was discussed about cleaning the equipment contact Young Farmers for help?

We have 2 quotes for the Tractor restoration Hemmings £1920 time frame 7 days this may increase if further work is discovered, R Hudson £1010 these quotes do not include the trailer

Cllr Dart left the meeting 20.16

For future projects for the maintenance person, it was agreed that a quote should be requested.

CS to get confirmation from Hemmings and R Hudson whether quote includes trailer

Richard had asked if the benches in the play area could be painted as he has some paint left and the bench on the green only has one slat painted so could be finished. CS to get quote from Richard if under permitted allowance for all 3 give the go ahead if over then wait for this to be discussed again.

R Hudson responded that quote was only the tractor and can't do it this year

15. Parish Council Newsletter

Cllr Payne requested this as we have new people in the village who may want to get involved i.e speedwatch, emergency plan, play area, footpaths, vacancy on PC etc, this could be leaflet drops and on facebook **SL**

16. New Website

CS to try to speak to other clerks using Gov websites and email DALC to check if we need to have .Gov website and emails **CS**

17. Grant Funding Procedure update

Cllr Payne has drafted this and it has been issued for all cllrs to read and decide on at the next meeting and there are other policies that could be done **ALL Cllrs**

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

Cllr VS

Nothing to report

Cllr SW

Report from the Hall meeting - Work on removing the existing kitchen will begin next week then the new kitchen will be fitted in July and August, it has now been discovered that the kitchen ceiling also needs urgent work to stop it falling down; after confirming quotes this will be done with other work.

A grant has been approved for new speakers etc from the East Yowlstone wind turbine fund

Cllr GG

Asked who owns the large bench on the football field LH did not know who put it there, it needs replacing as rotted at one end

Cllr VC

Asked about Allison Homes how long do we give them – Chris said still trying to contact them

Cllr SP

Love Lane – ask the Vicar if he is going to continue doing this area if not get Richard to do it

Cllr LH

Nothing to report

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Cllr MC

Nothing other than potholes – keep reporting them

Meeting ended 20.49

Next meeting **25th July at 7pm** in the Collacott Room

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