



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

Bradworthy Parish Council

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Adopted Minutes for the meeting of BRADWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL will be held in the Collacott Room, Bradworthy Memorial Hall on Friday 31st July 2026 at 7pm

All councillors are summoned to attend

Present at the meeting Cllrs S Lander R Boughton S Payne V Chapman M Coles L Rowsell S Harding
Chris Summerfield and one member of the public

Chair advised that meetings are recorded

1.07 Apologies for absence Cllrs G Greatorex, S Wright, A Dart, L Holloway

2.07 Public comment session

A member of the public attended the meeting to explain their previously submitted planning application which had been refused, they will be submitting a new application soon and wanted the Parish Council to understand reasons for the application and that they had listened to the concerns regarding the previous application and to answer the previous queries.

3.07 Councillors Declarations of Interests none

4.07 Minutes:

(i) to receive, confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 26th June 2026(emailed to all cllrs)

SP requested amendments to the June minutes - Margaret Coles reported the paint on the tractor needed looking at as to appeared to be rubbing off
SP pushed forward the resolution that Hemmings Contractors was asked to look at it, for the minutes.

SL not SP on the emergency plan update

Forrestmoor Grant sub group recommendation (MC, LH and SP) for the full payment of grant application - this was then agreed by the Parish Council

(ii) progress report on 'Action' points from the minutes (not already included on the agenda) none

(iii) matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda none

5.07 Chairmans Report

I would like to thank everyone who has helped with the flowers in the Square and the Millenium Garden. It has been a labour of love keeping up with the watering.

The local Government Reorganisation has been announced, and it is confirmed that the current two-tier system of Devon County Council and District Councils will be replaced by four new unitary authorities chosen by Exeter and Plymouth County Councils.

- Devon County Council will eventually cease to exist.
- District councils including Torridge will be abolished
- A new Devon Coast and Countryside unitary authority will be created covering the majority of rural Devon including Torridge

Signed.....Date.....

Elections to the new authorities are expected 2027 and new councils are expected to be fully operational in 2028.

Just a reminder for the August meeting, we will only meet for planning and any item considered urgent.

6.07 Clerks Report

Received thanks for the grant money from the cemetery

Large number of road closures notification – I have put them on our website but we were not informed of the Chilsworthy closure

Several enquiries through website 1 = planning – the member of the public that you have just spoken to 2 = regarding emergency planning – I have passed this to SL

We have a meeting with Aubergine 20.8.26 to discuss the new website this is for myself and Graham to attend – if anyone wants to let me know of anything they wish included please let me know before 20.8.26

Email received from Holsworthy Motor Club that they will be coming through our area 13.9.26 this is the Roger Pole Taw & Torridge Classic Reliability Trial

Email received regarding the temporary closure with helpline phone numbers for pregnant mums – CS to put on the noticeboard

Email received regarding AGAR digital portal I did send this to you all – I have just received a further email saying more details to come we have to sign up by 2029

Asked to email Bradworthy school regarding the Millenium garden last time which I have done but they are on holiday so haven't heard back yet but I would like confirmation that the PC will still provide the plants and maintenance for the Millenium Garden and that we are just asking if they would like to take over the planting and watering – all Cllrs agreed this is correct

The last matter is the roots of the tree where the roots are affecting St Peters Well – I have spoken to TDC they couldn't see a TPO on the tree they suggested

talking to the owner of the tree,

speak to a solicitor

ask an expert to look and advise – it was agreed to ask a stonemason to come and look at the problem and if needed a tree surgeon

7.07 District Councillors Report

Cllr SA

Had attended a meeting Showed a map of the local reorganisation we have no choice it will be called Devon Council MC asked where the seat will be SA had asked that question and it is not known yet.

They will be sharing out all the equipment adult care – we have a larger number of elderly

Cllr SH

Sir Geoffrey Cox feels we should legally challenge this – it has been looked into unlikely to win, SH asked what about the staff Sir Geoffrey Cox said unlikely to change for a number of years

SH gathered that there would only be 2 Cllrs per ward so there will be changes

NDDH temporary closures Sir Geoffrey has contacted the Government regarding this concern

Data centre – consultations have been suspended as all the facts are needed lots of questions still need answering bio diversity net gain Sir Geoffry wants full council but you need people to be trained Voted on how to top up money everything costing so much more there are still a number of other things ongoing

Diagnostic Hub

Panier market

Torrington

Holsworthy Agri

Everything can be scrutinised from afar

When new unitary votes will be by some that are far away so not effected

8.07 County Councillors Report

New Unitary I would like to find out more before discussing

Potholes I have spoke to Highways officer at great length – some hardly used roads are getting better road repairs than busier roads. Lots more traffic on the roads – I will be discussing again with Highways. Please let me know if you have any problems

A lot of Cllrs have had threats I hope to get to meetings whenever possible

9.07 Devon & Cornwall Police Report including report regarding any 'Teams' meetings no report SH went online organisation has been thrown out, I spoke to police at Woolsey show just the usual things MC mentioned a report SH checks the report – farms highest risk need to lock gates etc

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

Applications

1/0473/2026/FUL Part retrospective application for the erection of a pergola structure with retractable roof with courtyard Bradworthy Inn The Square Bradworthy Noted proposed VC seconded RB all agreed

Late application 1/0470/2026 request an extn to the deadline for 1.9.26

Decisions

None

Request an extn for planning 1/0470/2026 until 1.9.26 **CS to email Planning Officer**

11.07 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 £100.00, proposed RB seconded VC all agreed **Transferred £2640 from Forrestmoor to current account**

12.07 Play Area

Some repairs have been started a previously agreed. Report had only been received today

Ask Piran for a quote to paint the playhouse replace roof, check the previous quote for the MPU includes painting

SA left the meeting 20.36

CS to get 2 other quotes re MPU

MC mentioned the overgrown hedge SP said about the facebook comments re pump track someone said the area was dated – this is an opportunity to get a new committee? To look at replacements all actions listed above proposed SP seconded VC all agreed

13.07 Emergency Plan email from Chair of Hall Committee wants a meeting with SL date to be arranged

14.07 Website update a meeting has been booked with Aubergine for GG and CS to attend 20.8.26

15.07 CLT update 11 people met and had some good ideas, there will be a meeting in September A warm space is being looked into VC trying to get info from Morwenstow Sunday school room or Bowling Club would be good venue it was a positive meeting Allotments needed (in the village for the safety of walkers)

LR left the meeting 20.52

VC and SP went to Woodford Community Garden – it was lovely

MC stated she is going to call a CLT meeting in October

Signed.....Date.....

16.07 Future projects as previously discussed

17.07 Defib - SL wrote to SW Ambulance 23.7.26 no response as yet

18.07 Facebook

Ideally needs to be updated to a group so that people can follow BPC CS to email Holsworthy Hamlets Clerk as they have recently changed theirs

19.07 Equipment A new printer for the office as the old one keeps blocking and ink costs are high **CS** to price up for the September meeting

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

RB nothing to report

SP Minutes on the noticeboard done

Thanks re Daffodils

Contacted Livewest have bought 3 more houses this was in response to S106, he did send copies of the S106

VC Nothing to report

CS reported email had been sent to enforcement officer but no response yet

VC said that lots of timber had been cut and stacked at Horsehill

MC a Parishioner had been moaning that there were animals on both sides of the moor

VC one other thing down past Honnacotts a new gateway has been put in –

CS to contact Mike Newcombe regarding this and what is happening with the 30mph signs

SW had supplied a report but it will be emailed to Cllrs

Next meeting date 28.8.26

Meeting ended 9.30

Signed

Date