



Parish Council

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE OF TAWSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 16th JUNE 2026 AT 7.45 p.m.

Present: - Councillor Mason (In the Chair)
Councillors East, Norman, Short and Squires (Minutes 42 to 47).

NDC Councillors Coombs and Norman

M. Isaac (Clerk)

In attendance: Parishioner/Members of the Public – None

Due to unforeseen circumstances the meeting was not able to commence until 7.50 p.m. and only the essential items on the agenda were considered.

In the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair Councillor Mason was appointed to Chair the meeting.

40. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Bates, Bowden, Jenkins and Lofthouse and DCC Councillor Leaver.

41. VACANCIES/CO-OPTION

It was RESOLVED on a show of hands that Sue Squires be co-opted onto the Parish Council.

Councillor Squires signed the declaration of acceptance of Office.

42. PUBLIC SESSION

There were no questions from Parishioners.

43. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR AS A MATTER OF URGENCY

There were no issues raised.

44. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest announced.

45. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Payments

RESOLVED that the following payments be approved:

North Devon Council – Clerk Salary + Admin Fee	£843.69
Clerks Expenses	£12.31
L. Evely – Grounds Maintenance	£979.05
Uncanstore.com – Storage	£30.77
Barnstaple Town Council – Play Area Inspections	£225.00
J. Snooks – Internal Audit	£250.00

b) Audit 2025-2026

Resolved that:

- i) That the Annual Internal Audit Report be noted.
The Clerk report highlighted the requirement for an IT Policy.
- ii) That the Annual Governance Statement as outlined in section 1 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26 be approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk
- iii) That the Accounting Statements as outlined in section 2 of the Annual Governance and Accounting Return 2025/26 be approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk
- iv) That consideration of the IT Policy (previously circulated) be deferred to the meeting
- v) That the use of a .gov.uk domain address and .gov.uk email addresses be approved and set up and registered.

46. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 2026 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

47. FENCING TODDLER PLAY AREA, TAWSTOCK VILLAGE HALL. REQUEST FOR GRANT.

Councillor Short was advised to make application to the County Councillor and District Councillors to seek grant funding support from their Community grants budgets.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the following issues were not considered.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS

HIGHWAY ISSUES

PLANNING MATTERS

STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING, NEW DEVELOPMENT: LARKBEAR, PHASE TWO.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Chair the meeting ended at 7.55 p.m.