

CULMSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Notice of a meeting of the Parish Council to be held at 7pm on Wednesday 15th January 2025 in Culmstock Village Hall. Members of the Public are welcome to attend and may address the Council at the start of the meeting. To ensure that the meeting runs as smoothly as possible, anyone wishing to speak, should endeavour to notify the Clerk by noon on the day of the meeting. At the discretion of the Chairman, the democratic period is limited to 15 minutes, and individuals may be limited to 3 minutes. No decision can be taken on issues raised within the Democratic Period unless the matter is already an item on the agenda.

To Members of the Council: You are hereby summonsed to attend the above meeting for the purpose of transacting the following business

AGENDA

1. Democratic Period.
2. Apologies.
3. Declarations of Interest.
4. Approval of Minutes: of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 11/12/24.
5. Matters Arising.
6. **Planning and Planning Correspondence/Information.**
 - 6.1 Applications to be considered: None received.
 - 6.2 Results from Mid Devon District Council.
[24/00848/FULL](#) Change of use of agricultural land to allow the siting of 1 mobile home and associated works for the use of gypsy and traveller family (Revised Scheme). South Fork, Culmstock, EX15 3HW. Refused - The proposed change of use is considered to harm the character and appearance of the area, including the Blackdown Hills National Landscape, resulting in the application being contrary to Policies S1, S9, DM1, DM7 and DM27 of the Mid Devon Local Plan (2013-2033), Paragraph 189 of the National Planning Policy Framework and the aims of Paragraph 85 (A1) of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (as amended).
[24/01770/PNAG](#) Prior Notification for the erection of a steel portal framed agricultural building. Land & Buildings at NGR 310435 113020 Osmonds Farm, Culmstock. No Objection – Prior Approval Not Required.
[24/01590/PNCOU](#) Prior notification for the change of use of an agricultural building to 1 dwelling under Class Q. Barn at NGR 309830 113193 Culmstock. Application withdrawn.
 - 6.3 Any other Planning Matters.
7. **Reports.**
 - 7.1 The Chairman/Vice-Chairman.
 - 7.2 The Clerk.
 - 7.3 P3/Parish Paths.
 - 7.4 Hillmoor Common.
 - 7.5 Highways. (i) Signage request. (ii) Any other matters.
 - 7.6 Any other reports including reports from DCC & MDDC Councillors.
8. **Culmstock Play Area and Pavilion.**
 - 8.1 Petanque piste: (i) Update from R&R Services including costs for CLU application and to discuss if an access path is required. (ii) To discuss timescale & to book portable toilet hire.
 - 8.2 Improvements to the site including the possibility of a Pump Track.
 - 8.3 Any other matters.
9. **Update on Proposal for Community Orchard.**

- 10. The Connecting the Culm Project - Flood Cameras.**
- 11. Finance.**
 - 11.1** Finance report & to note the balances: To note the bank balance as at 31/12/24 - £58,559.15.
Credits received: 11/12 - £57 and 13/12 - £200 in respect of cemetery fees.
Direct Debits taken: 06/12 - £117.97, 23/12 - £109.63 to Nest.
 - 11.2** To resolve to make payments:
 - Chq 2014 £ 902.67 Clerk - salary & expenses.
 - Chq 2015 £ 160.24 Parish warden - salary & expenses.
 - Chq 2016 £ 21.94 SMA Services. Payroll provider.
 - Chq 2017 £ 67.64 HMRC. Quarterly payment.
 - Chq 2018 £ 42.00 Devon Association of Local Councils. Webinar re: Clerk.
 - Chq 2019 £ 858.43 Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Ltd. Maintenance Contract.
 - Chq 2020 £ 156.00 MDDC. Emptying of bin on bridge (26 empties, July - Dec 2024).
 - Chq 2021 £ 90.00 Kentisbeare Village Hall. Annual storage fee.
 - Chq 2022 £ 201.60 MDDC. Play Area Inspections (Jan to June 2025).
 - Chq 2023 £ 67.60 Computerlink (Leicester) Ltd. Printer cartridges.
 - 11.3** Maintenance Contract renewal.
 - 11.4** Quotation from T K Play Ltd., for maintenance at the play area following the annual inspection - £460.00.
 - 11.5** Quotation for monkey bars.
 - 11.6** To consider grants and subscriptions to the various groups and organisations for inclusion within the precept figure.
 - 11.7** Review of Clerk's salary and expenses.
 - 11.8** Precept 2025/2026: To agree a figure for the Parish precept.
 - 11.9** Any other financial matters.
- 12. Culmstock Beacon.** (i) Proposed run/race event. (ii) Any other matters.
- 13. Culmstock Cemetery.**
- 14. Correspondence & Any Consultations.** Various generic emails. Clerks and Councils Direct. Email of thanks from CAB.
- 15. Items for information, future agenda items, and future meeting dates.** Future Meeting Dates: 12/02/25.