

CULMSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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Notice of a Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Wednesday 2nd September 2026 at 7pm 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. Following the democratic period public participation is only permitted by special invitation of the Chairman.

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

1. **Democratic Period.**
2. **Apologies:** Cllr. Mrs Rosemary Balchin.
3. **Declarations of Interest.**
4. **Approval of Minutes:** of the Parish Council meeting held on 29/07/2026.
5. **Matters Arising.**

6. **Planning and Planning Correspondence/Information.**
 - 6.1 Applications to be considered:
[26/01153/CAT](#) Notification of intention to remove one Goat Willow tree (T5) to ground level Within a Conservation Area. Vennwoods, Millmoor, Culmstock, EX15 3HA.
Applications in respect of Spiceland, Uffculme:
[26/01001/FULL](#) & [26/01002/LBC](#) Listed Building Consent for works to facilitate connection of ground mounted solar array and permission for installation with associated plant shed and cable run.
[26/01104/LBC](#) & [26/01103/HOUSE](#) Listed Building Consent and permission for the erection of extension following demolition of existing extension; installation of heat pump and associated works.
 - 6.2 Results from Mid Devon District Council.
[-26/00893/HOUSE](#) Formation of hardstanding for the parking of vehicles. Boskycroft, Hemyock Road, Culmstock. EX15 3JA. Permitted with conditions to discharge.
[-26/00821/FULL](#) Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 24/00064/FULL (Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling) to allow substitute plans for the re-orientation of the approved dwelling. Waterslade, Nicholashayne. EX15 3HT. Permitted with conditions to discharge.
[-26/00387/HOUSE](#) Erection of single-storey rear extension, alterations vehicular access and existing boundary wall (Revised Scheme). Fair View, Culmstock, EX15 3HU. Approved.
 - 6.3 Neighbourhood Plan: Report to the Parish Council following recent working group meeting.
 - 6.4 Any other Planning Matters.

7. **Reports.**
 - 7.1 The Chairman/Vice-Chairman.
 - 7.2 The Clerk.
 - 7.3 P3/Footpaths, access and common land.
(i) Devon County Council - Footpath No.4, Culmstock - Public Path Diversion Order 2026
 - 7.4 Blackdown Hills Parish Network.
 - 7.5 Culmstock Cemetery.
 - 7.6 Highways. (i) Road Warden Agreement. (ii) Communication received from a parishioner re: parking at Hunters Hill.
 - 7.7 Any other reports including reports from DCC & MDDC Councillors.

8. Culmstock Play Area and Pavilion.

- 8.1** Annual Fire Risk Assessment.
- 8.2** Wooden Picnic Bench.
- 8.3** Any other matters.

9. Finance.

- 9.1** Finance report & to note the balances: To note the bank balance as at 31/08/26.
Direct Debits taken: Lloyds Bank service charge 20/07 - £5.17 & 18/08 - £4.25, Pennon Water Services 10/08 - £21.69, Nest 03/07 - £131.20, & 27/07 £130.51. Credits received: Cemetery fees 11/08 - £130.
 - 9.2** To resolve to make payments.
(The value for invoices 1 to 7 will be confirmed at the meeting as final details are awaited):
 - 1. £ TBC SMA Services. Payroll provider.
 - 2. £ TBC Parish warden - salary & expenses.
 - 3. £ TBC Clerk - salary & expenses.
 - 4. £ TBC Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Ltd. Grounds Maintenance Contract.
 - 5. £ TBC Bubbles Exterior Cleaning. Thunderbox cleaning (August).
 - 6. £ TBC M Delamain. Repairs carried out at the play area.
 - 7. £ TBC Neighbourhood Plan Expenses incurred by working group.
 - 8. £ 48.00 Vision ICT Ltd. Email Hosting.
 - 9. £ 201.60 MDDC. Play Area Inspections.
 - 10. £ 42.40 M Barrow. P3/footpath expenses.
 - 11. £ 72.00 Shiny Happy People Services Ltd. Annual Fire Risk Assessment at pavilion.
 - 9.3** Culmstock Parish Council Insurance Renewal 3 Year LTA - Delegated Payment £2316.11.
 - 9.4** Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2026/27 - notification from the National and the Devon Association of Local Councils of standard increase in the salary scales from 01/04/26.
 - 9.5** Order for Aqua Sacs.
 - 9.6** Any other financial matters.
- 10. S106 Funds**
Report following meeting between the Clerk and the MDDC Planning Obligations Monitoring Officer.
- 11. Parish Bins.** Bins situated at Culmstock Bridge.
- 12. National Grid Wayleave Agreement:** Re: New underground cable on Parish Council Land, Uffculme ref 65207561.
- 13. MDDC – Community Emergency Hubs.**
- 14. Correspondence & Any Consultations.**
- 15. Items for information, future agenda items, and future meeting dates.**