

## **WIDECOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

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**To: Councillors Y Elliott (Chair), J Bibby, D Edwards, A Fitzpatrick, T Guest, C Partridge, S Raynor & J Welby**

You are hereby summoned to attend a **MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL** in Leusdon Memorial Hall on **THURSDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2025 at 7.30pm**

Suzanna Hughes

Clerk to the Parish Council

### **Agenda**

#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

#### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION**

Members to be reminded of their responsibility to continually update their Notice of Registerable Interests and invited to state whether they have any interest in the items to be discussed during this meeting in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct. Unforeseen requests for a Dispensation to be considered at this point only if there was no way a Councillor would have been aware of such before the meeting.

#### **3. OPEN FORUM**

Members of the public are invited to address the Council

#### **4. MINUTES**

To approve and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3 July 2025

#### **5. REPORTS**

To receive the following reports:

- (a) County Councillor
- (b) District Councillors
- (c) DNPA Representatives
- (d) Police
- (e) Delegate Reports
  - Local Government Review (drop-in event)

#### **6. PROJECTS & ESTATES**

*(Cllrs Raynor & Edwards)*

- (a) **Public Toilets**

Update and next steps

(b) **Village Walkabout**

Matters arising from the August walkabout

(c) **Widcombe Fair**

Request to ensure the green is clean before Fair day

(d) **Parish Council Logo**

To consider draft logo

(e) **Parish Field**

To receive most recent income and expenditure report

## **7. PLANNING/LOCAL LIAISON**

*(Cllrs Bibby, Partridge & Guest)*

- **New planning applications/appeals**
- 0262/25 & 0263/25 – Higher Tor Farm, Poundsgate

Variation of condition 2 of approved planning ref: 0131/24 for internal remodelling of existing farmhouse, replacement windows and replacement of existing corrugated metal cladding. Refurbishment of existing cottage. Internal alterations to existing barn to create private yoga studio. Ancillary works to existing garage to create plant room and store. Landscape enhancement

- 0271/25 – Land to the North of Sharp Tor, Widcombe

Temporary use of land for film-making with associated temporary sets, supporting facilities vehicles, access, parking and storage

- **Planning Decisions/Withdrawals**
- 25/0039 – The Old Inn, Widcombe

Works to trees in Conservation Area

To note that DNPA has granted consent

- 0248/25 – Blackslade Manor, Widcombe-in-the-Moor

Erection of agricultural storage building (Prior Approval)

To note that DNPA has determined that Prior Approval is not required

- 25/0051 – Kiosk Car Park, Widcombe-in-the-Moor

T1 Sycamore – Remedial works

To note that DNPA has granted consent

## **8. FINANCE & GOVERNANCE**

*(Cllrs Bibby, Partridge & Guest)*

(a) To note that the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has reached an

agreement on the new rates of pay applicable from 1 April 2025 (+3.2%). Clerk's salary will be backdated accordingly.

(b) **Payments**

To approve the following payments:

- Clerk's salary & disbursements – £338.17 (September, including backpay referred to in 8(a))

**9. HIGHWAYS**

(a) Road Warden Scheme – update

(b) Other highways matters

***Potholes and other highways maintenance issues can be reported direct to DCC:***

*Online: <https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/>*

*Telephone: 0345 155 1004*

*Email: [customer@devon.gov.uk](mailto:customer@devon.gov.uk)*

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

Members to be informed of all relevant correspondence not otherwise dealt with on the agenda:

- The Dartmoor Devil Cycle Ride – to note that the annual cycle ride will be passing through the parish  
(twice) on Sunday 26 October
- Devon Partnership Plan 2021-2026 Review

Survey deadline: 14 September

**11. MEMBERS' ITEMS FOR INFORMATION OR GENERAL DISCUSSION, FOR INCLUSION ON FUTURE AGENDAS AND/OR ITEMS REQUIRING URGENT ATTENTION**

*Members are reminded that they have not received the statutory notice of this business to be transacted and should therefore recognise that any decision made may be taken to be unlawful if challenged in the future*

**12. NEXT MEETING**

To confirm that the next Parish Council meeting will be held on 2 October 2025 in Church House, Widecombe