

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANDKEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 6th AUGUST 2025 AT 7.00 p.m.**

Present: - Councillor Prowse (Chair)
Councillors Consterdine, Davies, Halliday, Hommell and Lane.

NDC Councillor Haworth-Booth

DCC Councillor Tyldesley

M Isaac (Clerk)

In Attendance: Parishioner/Members of the Public – None

99. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Dymond and Warwick.

100. MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd July 2025 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**101. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD WHICH IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIR
SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY**

The following issues were raised:

- a) Village Fete/Show – The Chair wished to record the Council's thanks to the organisers of the Village Fete/Show which was a great success and a very good Community Event.
- b) Tables – The Clerk reported that the tables used for the Village Fete/Show had been returned in a dirty condition. It was agreed that Sandra be paid £20 to clean the tables and that in future those who borrow the tables be required to return them in a clean condition.
- c) Playing Fields Litter Bin – It was agreed North Devon Council's offer to empty the litter bin free of charge be accepted.
- d) Entrance to Village – The Chair reported that Pearce Construction were parking vehicles on the DCC verge and were also piling spoil on highway land on the opposite side of the verge. This was very unsightly. Councillor Lane stated that the spoil had now been layered down. It was agreed that DCC Councillor Tyldesley be requested to investigate and DCC request that the developer reinstate and landscape the area.
- e) The Chair reported that the Community Shield would be presented at the next Parish Council meeting in September.

102. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declaration of interest announced.

103. PUBLIC SESSION

There were no issues raised by Parishioners.

104. COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW.

The Chair reported that he and the Clerk attended a meeting with Fremington Parish Council and Tawstock Parish Council to put together a co-ordinated response to the representations made by Barnstaple Town Council in respect of the Community Governance Review. Landkey was only slightly impacted but both Fremington Parish Council and Tawstock Parish Council had significant concerns. It was agreed that in solidarity Landkey Parish Council would support both Parish Councils in their response.

105. DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL (NORTH DEVON HATOC) (TRAFFIC REGULATION) AMENDMENT ORDER 6239 – PARKING RESTRICTIONS.

DCC Councillor Tyldesley reported that the proposals had been based on Map data from a DCC Contractor. At the end of the consultation HATOC would consider all proposals but due to the volume of objections from residents they were unlikely to be adopted.

It was noted that the consultation link for North Devon did not work for several days and that DCC would not extend the consultation period to compensate.

The Council considered the above Parking Restriction proposals for Landkey and agreed that all the proposals be rejected. It was noted that the Police were happy with the current unofficial traffic calming measures and there were no safety issues.

DCC Councillor Tyldesley agreed to investigate the issues raised in Minute 101 (d) above regarding issues at the entrance to the village.

He reported that following the concerns raised regarding the 155 single decker, turning off Blakes Hill road into Meadow close, a residential area and then reversing into St James close, Stagecoach had undertaken an assessment of all possibilities and had decided that as there were no alternatives if they could not continue to turn in Meadow Close, they would cease the service.

106. REQUEST FOR DOG BIN - ON THE TARKA TRAIL WHERE IT MEETS THE HILL BY LANDKEY CHURCH

The Council considered a request from a resident to provide a dog bin on the Tarka Trail where it meets the hill by Landkey Church. Due to people dumping their dog bags along the path.

It was agreed that at present due to the additional costs another dog bin was not justified. However, it was agreed to advertise on the website and social media advising people to either put the dog mess in the nearest dog bin or take it home.

107. FINANCE MATTERS

a) Payments

RESOLVED:

That the following payments be approved:

M. Isaac Expenses (incl Printer Ink)	£49.01
HMRC Income Tax Payment/NI – Clerk/Caretaker Salary	£223.54
R. Halliday – Community Shield Engraving	£18.00
PrintworkX – Newsletter	£130.00
North Devon Council – Dog Bin Emptying	£253.65
M. Isaac – National Pay Award – Net Arrears Payment	£76.92
Shaw and Sons – Receipt and Payments Ledger	£134.40
S. Harman – OSC Sundries	£2.99

(b) National Pay Award 2025-2026.

The annual pay award of 3.2% pro rata for 2025/26 was noted and agreed.

108. PLANNING MATTERS

- a) **80595** Erection of side extension and internal changes, Jireh, 15 Denes Close, Landkey, Barnstaple

RECOMMENDED Approval

- b) **79945** Creation of raised outside terrace and seating area to include improved access to Clubhouse and associated works, Portmore Golf Park, Landkey Road, Barnstaple

RECOMMENDED Approval

Councillor Halliday declared an interest in the above application as he knew the applicant.

109. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next Parish Council meeting would be Wednesday 3rd September 2025 @ 7.00 p.m.

110. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS AND RESTRICTION OF DOCUMENTS

It was RESOLVED

- (a) That under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (as amended from time to time) namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding the information).

- (b) That all documents and reports relating to the item be confirmed as 'Not for Publication'

111. OLD SCHOOL CENTRE

Councillor Halliday reported that the three valuations received from local Estate Agents to market the future sale of the Old School Centre to fund aid the new Mazzard Community Hall had been assessed by the appointed working group.

The working group had recommended that Webbers be appointed as the agents to market the Old School Centre site

RESOLVED that:

- a) That Webbers be appointed as the preferred Estate Agent to market the future sale of the Old School Centre.
- b) That the site be not marketed until early next Spring
- c) That Councillor Halliday be authorised to negotiate the sale % fee.

Chairman the meeting ended at 7.58 p.m.