

WIDWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL

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The Councillors were summoned to attend a meeting of Widworthy Parish Council held at Wilmington Village Hall on Thursday, July 30th 2026, starting at 7.00pm. Those present:- Councillors Susan Duffy, Diana Preston (Chair), Philip Webber and Helen Parr (EDDC), Carol Miltenburg (Clerk)
The following matters were discussed.

MINUTES

- 1) No apologies for absence were received. No declaration of interests in items in this meeting were made.
- 2) The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on June 25th 2026 were accepted and signed by the Chair. Proposed PW seconded SD.
- 3) Recruitment of new Council members. The Council have now received notification from Democratic Services, EDDC that the Parish Council can co-opt new members. Cllr Webber will contact the interested parties.
- 4) Reports from Councillors - Cllr Parr (EDDC) reported on the Local Government Reforms which will affect East Devon they are hoping for a review and will meet to discuss the implications.
Police – The contact details of the fete committee have been forwarded so they can be contacted before next years event.
Village Hall – The courtyard is now clear and ready for a shed to be installed to provide storage for the road warden and emergency equipment. The space will be measured.
Church – The Clerk should invite the vicar to the next meeting.
- 5) Noticeboards – Keys have been installed next to all the noticeboards so they can be used by the public and extra magnetic holders have been purchased. Post to be put on Facebook to notify residents.
- 6) Public Forum. None present.

- 7) Highway Matters. Concern was expressed about the trees along near the wall near the Church Clerk to contact DCC.
A35 update – We now have a new interim route manager at National Highways. The Clerk will contact him to get an update on the upgrading project which should reach the Dorset border shortly. The pavement to the east of Hayne Lane was not worked on by the contractors recently when the rest of the pavement in Wilmington was. This seems to have been an oversight and will be notified to National Highways.
- 8) Finance. Payments to be made C Miltenburg £41.55 noticeboard expenses.
Proposed PW seconded SD.
Payments received - Widworthy Community Fund £3,747.80 has been received from the Fete 2026 and is held on their behalf. Proposed PW seconded SD.
The bank statements were available for viewing.
The Council have completed their redeclaration of compliance under the Pensions Act 2008 to The Pensions Regulator. Proposed PW seconded SD
- 9) Council Documents. Updated Financial Regulations and Standing Orders These are still being worked on
- 10) Planning. None
- 11) Emergency Planning / Community participation. Widworthy fete. Carried forward.
- 12) Councillor training. Carried forward.
- 13) Devon local government reform. Noted.
- 14) Correspondence received. Carried forward.
- 15) Items for future discussion and consideration.

The meeting ended at 8.27pm

Date, place & time of next meeting date Thursday September 10th, 2026 ** at Wilmington Village Hall starting at 7.00pm.

** This has since been changed to September 17th 2026 **