

Minutes of the Meeting of Broadhempston Parish Council
Thursday 11 June 2026

Present: Cllrs Wright (chair), Clarke, Bamford, Stevens, Widger, White and Goddard.

Also present: County Cllr Stuart Rogers
1 member of public
Cathy Aubertin (Clerk)

No	Subject	
2026/ 27/037	The Chair will open the meeting and receive apologies.	Cllr Wright opened the meeting at 7.31pm. District Cllrs Parker and Daws sent apologies.
2026/ 27/038	To declare any interests at this meeting.	None declared.
2026/ 27/039	Approval to consider, amend as agreed by the Council, and approve the minutes of the following meeting: 14 May 2026 annual meeting 14 May 2026.	<i>It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of both meetings.</i>
2026/ 27/040	To elect a Vice Chair for the Council Year 2026/ 27.	<i>As Cllr Goddard was unable to attend the annual meeting, it was RESOLVED that she be elected as Vice Chair for the coming year at this meeting.</i>
2026/ 27/041	<u>Public question time:</u> a period of 10 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make comments regarding the work of the Council or other items that affect Broadhempston. - District Councillor report. - County Councillor report - Parish Councillor reports - Grounds maintenance work.	Concern was raised about the motorhome parked on the road between Easterways and Headlands. <i>It was noted that the clerk has reported the matter to Devon County Council (DCC) and following his request, will now forward the email to County Cllr Rogers for further follow up.</i> On behalf of our district councillors, County Cllr Rogers reported that the resilience fund is now open for residents in Teignbridge to apply for in respect of fuel. He also advised that, due to the local government review, he has requested that Teignbridge District Council (TDC) spend their grant funding money earlier rather than later so that it is not lost during the review. County Cllr Rogers reported that it is likely that there will be shadow elections next year and those shadow councillors will monitor the work of the current councillors in preparation for the local government review.

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	Parish Lengths-man work.	It was noted that the Stoop Cellars drain is blocked with silt and Cllr White offered to clear this.
2026/27/042	To consider the following planning application: 26/00800/LBC Alterations to existing plank and muntin screen Ashwood Cottage Broadhempston Devon TQ9 6BD 26/00896/CAN T1 - Ash Tree - Proposed works: Fell to ground level. 4 St Josephs Cottages Road From Stoop Cross To Small Park Lane Broadhempston Devon TQ9 6BE	<i>It was RESOLVED to support the application.</i> The clerk will advise Teignbridge District Council (TDC). <i>It was RESOLVED to support the application.</i> The clerk will advise Teignbridge District Council (TDC).
2026/27/043	Village Square To consider an update in respect of making use of the village square as a seating area during the school summer holiday.	Unfortunately, it has proved impossible for the clerk to find a DCC officer to approve this. County Cllr Rogers agreed to help with finding someone who can help.
2026/27/044	To consider the Community Shop policy in respect of the distribution of surplus funds.	<i>Councillors considered and RESOLVED to agree to the terms of the policy.</i>
2026/27/045	To consider arranging a CPR training session.	<i>It was RESOLVED that the clerk should contact Jay's Aim to arrange for a training session in early September.</i>
2026/27/046	To consider arranging a showing of the 'People's Emergency Briefing' in the village. The People's Emergency Briefing: Sustainability on the Big Screen - Greener Practice	<i>It was resolved that the clerk should arrange a showing of the film at 7pm on 2 October in the village hall, and that neighbouring parish councils should be notified in case they wish to attend.</i>
2026/27/047	Climate change emergency: Tree planting.	Cllr Clarke met with the land owner to look at the location for planting trees. Cllr Wright will produce a land survey of the area. Cllr Bamford will talk to Be Wild to find out if they would like to be involved in planting the trees. The clerk will contact Moor trees to ask if they would like to help also.

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		<i>It was RESOLVED that the clerk should contact the land owner to state that the council wishes to proceed with tree planting and ask that he let the council know the terms of an agreement to use the land.</i>
2026/27/048	Open spaces update: - To consider adding matting to the grass area beneath the walnut (not cherry!) tree. - To receive an update from the clerk in respect of the need to undertake work to the basketball posts. - Easterways play area: To receive an update from the Community Land Trust in respect of the need to replace the chains on the swings. - Headlands. - Kings Close Field. - Community Orchard. - Allotments. - Car Park.	The clerk will research the cost of matting. It was noted that the cost of this work has been requested from a local contractor. It was noted that the trust has agreed to replace the chains. In respect of the use of a garage at Headlands by the parish council, it was noted that the fete items will be stored in the container, leaving the front part of the garage available for the parish council. It was noted that, at the top gate, one of the posts is wobbly. Cllr White will repair. Cllr Wright will consider mower options following the fete and report back to the council. It was noted that a shrub from a neighbouring property currently conceals one of the car park signs. Cllr White will talk to the resident and ask that the sign be kept clear.
2026/27/049	Finance: To agree payment of accounts.	<i>It was RESOLVED that payments should be approved. Clerk to make payments.</i>
2026/27/050	Clerk's report: To consider the invite from Totnes Town Council to join the Totnes Parish Cluster	Cllrs Wright and Bamford will attend. The clerk will notify Totnes Town Council.

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	group and the meeting to be held on 30 June 2026 at 5.30pm. Review of actions in previous minutes.	Cllr Clarke will talk to the local open water swimmers' group to see if anyone would like to become an ambassador for Friends of the Dart.
2026/27/051	<u>Public question time.</u>	
2026/27/052	To note the date of the next meeting: Thursday 9 July 2026.	This was noted and the meeting closed at 8.49pm.

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