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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **BERRYNARBOR PARISH COUNCIL RECEIVES AWARD IN NATIONAL SCHEME**

Berrynarbor Parish Council has received a prestigious award as part of the Local Council Award Scheme. This achievement recognises that the council achieves good practice in governance, community engagement and council improvement. Moreover, Berrynarbor Parish Council goes above and beyond their legal obligations, leading their communities and continuously seeking opportunities to improve and develop even further.

The Local Council Award Scheme is a peer assessed programme that has been designed to both provide the tools and encouragement to those councils at the beginning of their improvement journeys, as well as promoting and recognising councils that are at the cutting edge of the sector. It is through the sector working together to share best practice, drive up standards and supporting those who are committed to improving their offer to their communities that individual councils and the sector as a whole will reach its full potential.

Berrynarbor Parish Council's own Chairman was quoted as being delighted "On behalf of all of our Parish Councillors at Berrynarbor, we are extremely proud to have been recognised for the hard work and high standards that our council has achieved, culminating in this prestigious award.

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I would personally like to say a big thank you to every single Councillor as we operate as a solid team of very dedicated and capable members who take their roles very seriously. Particular praise must go to our wonderful Clerk Victoria Woodhouse for all her guidance, without whom we would not have achieved this award. Thanks to our parishioners for their support and we look forward to serving you in the future.”

The District Councillors for Berrynarbor Councillors Mrs Yvett Gubb and John Lovering are “delighted at the achievement of the Parish Council we would like to express our congratulations to all members of the Council and the Clerk who have worked hard to ensure the Parish Council reaches these standards”

In terms of the future, the council is now reviewing ways in which it can keep on improving its offer to the local community and welcomes input from local people and partners on this. Berrynarbor Parish Council, and other local councils like it, are at the front line of the government’s localism agenda and are doing as much as they can to deliver services whilst being efficient and cost-effective.