

Minutes of the Berrynarbor Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, 8th August 2023 at 7pm in the Manor Hall, Birdswell Lane, Berrynarbor

Present: Cllrs G Bacon (Chairman), E Clarke, B Joyce and J Latham

Mrs V Woodhouse, Parish Clerk
County Cllr Miss A Davis
District Cllr J Hunt

2308/01 **Apologies**
Cllrs A Stanbury, D Norman and K Young.

2308/02 **Declarations of Interest**
None.

2308/03 **Public Participation**
None.

2308/04 **Minutes**
It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary and two abstentions, to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11th July 2023 as a correct record.

2308/05 **To receive reports from:**

- Police
The report had been circulated.
- County Cllr Miss A Davis
Attached as Appendix one.

It was agreed to place an item on the next Agenda to consider investigating pay and display parking along Mill Lane to help with the parking issues for Broadsands.

- District Cllr J Hunt
It was reported that enforcement action was being taken at a property in Berry Down. Cllr Hunt has met with Berrynarbor park residents regarding more leakage and would like to see spot check visits from the Environment Agency they are also waiting on reports from the council's legal team.
- Play Area
Rough wood had been left following the repair of the gate on the Manor Hall Play Area.
- Manor Hall
Cllr Joyce had a list of questions from the Manor Hall which she will email to the Parish Clerk.



- Footpaths
None.
- Dog Exercise Area
The new fencing had been completed.
- Grit Bins/Road
None.
- Meetings/Events attended by Councillors/Clerk
Cllr Latham and Stanbury would be attending a meeting with the North Devon Council tomorrow to discuss the height and works to the hedge along the car park.

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Payments and Receipts

PAYMENTS

37. August Salaries	£611.21
38. Clerk Expenses	£29.79
39. HMRC PAYE August	£159.77
40. Pension Contributions	£221.53
41. Zoom Monthly Fee	£15.59
42. Tesco Mobile, Phone Charge July, 2023	£12.01
43. Public Toilet Cleaning, July	£125
44. Berrynarbor Community Shop, Account	£37.21
45. Fremington Parish Council 2 x Large Stamps	£2.90
46. South West Water	£108.99
47. JRB, Dog Bags	£40.14
48. DALC, Cllr Training	£18
49. British Gas	£57.67
Payments total:	£1,439.81

RECEIPTS

Interest	£8.46
NDC, Toilet Grant	£702
Receipts total:	£710.46

It was **resolved**, with no votes to the contrary, to approve the payments and receipts.

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Defibrillator

It was **resolved** to defer this item to the next meeting.

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Public Toilets

Cllr Latham would circulate photographs ahead of the next meeting.

Meeting ended at 7.28pm.

Signed.......... Dated: 12/19/23.....

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Free Tree Scheme 2023/2024

This year, Devon County Council are offering free tree packs to landowners and communities within Devon, for the fifth consecutive year. Each free tree pack will contain 45 trees comprising three types of native broadleaved tree commonly found throughout Devon.

There are currently plenty of schemes and initiatives encouraging landowners and communities within Devon to plant native broadleaved trees. Doing so will help replace the vast number of ash trees that are now dying through ash dieback, as well as supporting wildlife, enhancing our landscapes for people to enjoy, and helping to reduce greenhouse gases that contribute to climate change.

Last year, Devon County Council gave away 150 packs of free trees to landowners across Devon, thanks to the Emergency Tree Fund.

Are you eligible?

If you have a field corner or another area where you would like to establish a small copse, linear woodland or extend an existing woodland, you can apply for a free tree pack. In previous years free packs of 45 saplings containing oak, birch and rowan trees have been supplied to eligible landowners. To give trees enough space to develop a good crown and grow to maturity, we advise planting at 3m random spacings, which requires an area of approximately 400m sq. (e.g. 20m x 20m) for 45 trees.

How to make an application:

To apply, please complete our online [form](#) by 27th of September 2023. This is the deadline that would enable tree packs to be delivered in time for you to plant in National Tree Week (25th of November – 3rd of December). Applications after this date would be subject to availability. You will be notified if you have been successful before the end of October 2023 and your tree pack will be dispatched to you on a date confirmed by the tree nursery we appoint.

If you are interested in the scheme, please do not delay applying. In previous years, the scheme has been extremely popular and highly oversubscribed.



Growing Communities fund

This DCC grant aims to help local groups and organisations become more resilient and help those in the communities cope with financial pressures. Groups that are encouraged to apply include those who bring communities together for meaningful activities and social interaction, offer people a warm, safe haven or alleviate food poverty. The aim is to build self reliance and resilience within a community.

You can [complete and submit the grants application form online](#). For more information, please contact communitygrants@devon.gov.uk or telephoning [01392 383379](tel:01392383379).

Rural Give Way marking project

This project is aiming to remark all the rural Give-Way and Stop markings across the whole of the County. In addition to simply remarking them DCC are using a more robust product that will improve the life-expectancy and lead to a lower whole life cost and reduced carbon cost.

There are approximately 6,000 rural Give-Way markings that will be treated. For your information there is another 1,500 in our market and coastal towns. The project is estimated to take 4-5 years to complete.

Lining works to include:

To remove existing markings and refresh

- single dashed white lines
- double dashed white lines
- stop lines
- give way triangles
- up to 5 centre lines from the junction

Reminder of how to report a Highway issue;

[Report a problem - Roads and transport \(devon.gov.uk\)](#)

[0345 155 1004](tel:03451551004)

Live chat is available on the Highways website Monday to Friday 9.30 am to 12 pm and 2 pm to 4.30 pm (4 pm on Fridays). To report a problem with road maintenance, traffic management and parking, streetlights and signs and public rights of way

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