

BICKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the Regular meeting held on 10th November 2025 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Bickington.

Present; Cllrs Humphreys (Chairing this evening meeting), Bruckner, Cox, Meek and Warren

Clerk - Carol Retallick,

The Cllr Humphreys welcomed everyone to the meeting

2025/11/01. To receive and approve apologies for absence

Received from Cllr Briddock, Nutley, Major, and Rogers

2025/11/02. Declarations of Interest / dispensations - None

The Council will adjourn for the following business

2025/11/03. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - A period of 10 Minutes will be allowed for members of the Public to ask questions or make any comment regarding the work of the Council or items on the agenda.

None present

2025/11/04. To receive County and District Councillor reports

Report from Cllr S Rogers - Understanding the 3 Priorities for the 28th of November 2025.

Local Government Submission to Government will be made & I will keep you updated.

I have added speed watch for the Village and will keep updated.

Police Report from Tamzin Campbell-Moseley - Police Community Support Officer 30577. In the period **1st of October 2025 to 31st October 2025** there were **0** criminal offences recorded for this area.

Police also responded to **16** non-crime incidents across this area. These involved missing persons, Firearms Management, Domestic, Safeguarding and traffic related incidents.

The Council will convene to conduct the following business

2025/11/05. To consider, amend as agreed by the Council (if required) & approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 10th October 2025.

These were signed as a true record of this meeting Cllr Meek proposed and Cllr Humphreys seconded.

2025/11/06. Parish Council admin and clerks report

To Review and Adopt the following Policies – Grievance, Disciplinary, H & S, Data Protection and Employee Privacy Notice. Cllr Bruckner proposed the policies are adopted, seconded by Cllr Meek with all in favour.

ACTION Policies Adopted

To report on New Website including new domain name and email accounts. – Cllr Humphreys noted that a resident had offered to provide a new website, however the council made the decision to appoint a larger dedicated company as it is necessary for the PC website to abide with the latest legislation.

ACTION: Clerk will write to resident.

To note update regarding new Laptop – clerk gave update regarding the laptop

To note new bench ordered and update. – This has already been delivered, and Cllr Meek will arrange to fix it at agreed location with village hall committee member

ACTION: Cllr Meek to fix bench

To report – Old Hill grit bin full, - Cllr Humphreys reported the grit/salt bin on Newhouse Hill has been damaged. Cllrs agreed to look at the bin to see if it can be repaired

ACTION: Cllrs to inspect grit bin for repair

Cllr Humphreys also reported that she will repeat her Snow Warden training and pass on any instructions to other volunteers

2025/11/07. Financial matters

a) To note Channon and Co have been appointed as PAYE Accountants. The Clerk has contacted Channon and Co who have been waiting for information from previous accountant – this has now been received, and the pay slips will be prepared for next month's meeting

b) Cheques for payment

Clerk's expenses	October – November	£ 32.80
Recycled Bench from DCW Polymers Ltd		£ 465.60
Noticeboard		£ 395.00
Repairs to Flagpole		£ 64.67

ACTION: Authorised and signed

c) To consider any information leading to expenditure against CIL monies.

We had considered purchasing a new bus shelter however the grant which had been available has ended. It was thought that a new shelter it approximately £3,000- £4000. The Cllrs discussed which side of the road the shelter should be. It was agreed to purchase a bus shelter and site it on the village side of the old A38 this was proposed by Cllr Humphreys and seconded by Cllr Warren with all in favour. Cllr Cox noted the village hall committee are considering a NEW meeting room at the village hall this could be paid for by CIL. Cllr Humphreys will seek information from the hall committee.

ACTION: Purchase 1 bus shelter & Cllr Humphreys speak to village hall committee.

2025/11/08. Planning matters - to consider applications

a) To include applications received since publication of agenda see TDC /DNPA

b) General Enforcement matters

Chipley Mill Enforcement Case 20/00182/ENF – The councillors Support the planning applications as they cannot see any detrimental effect of the current use as it supports the whole activity and do not wish to create unemployment within the area.

2025/11/09. To receive reports on

a) Bickington Village Hall inc CIL - See notes above. Cllr Meek reported there was a successful Bonfire night raising £407

b) Highway matters

c) DNPA matters inc Ramshorn - Cllr R Steemson (TDC Cllr) reported that the vehicular access points have locked barriers hopefully the misuse of the majority of Ramshorn down for fly tipping, use of 4x4 vehicles and other vandalism will be diminished or stop completely. He is still pushing for Teignbridge Council to finally remove all the fly tipping.

d) Footpaths - Nothing to report

2025/11/10. Correspondence

A Pilot Weed Management Survey for Local Councils in Teignbridge
Precept request letter has been received.

2025/11/11. Matters for future agenda

Precept request and 2026/27 Budget.

2025/11/12. To note date of next meeting. 8th December 2025

Part II - Exclusion of Press and Public

The Council is invited to RESOLVE that in accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies. (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the agenda item 16 owing to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 20.35pm

Signed Dated

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