



**Starcross
Parish Council**

STARCROSS PARISH COUNCIL

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Councillors are summoned to a meeting of Starcross Parish Council to be held in Starcross Pavilion on **Tuesday 12 September 2023 at 7.30pm.**

County Councillor Connett, District Councillor Taylor & Community Police Officers are also invited.

Members of the press and public are welcome.

Signed: *S Hughes* (Clerk)

Dated: 7 September 2023

RESIDENTS' QUESTION TIME

(20 minutes)

Residents are invited to make representations to the Council or to ask questions.

AGENDA

120923.01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence

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120923.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Members are reminded of their responsibility to continually update their Notice of Registerable Interests and invited to state whether they have any interest in the items to be discussed during this meeting in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct. Unforeseen requests for a Dispensation to be considered at this point only if there was no way a member would have been aware of such before the meeting.

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120923.03 RATIFICATION OF MINUTES

To approve, sign and adopt the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11 July 2023

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120923.04 ACTION REPORT

To review outstanding resolutions requiring action (copy circulated to members)

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120923.05 CRIME & SPEEDWATCH REPORT

To receive either a written or verbal report by Devon and Cornwall Police representative

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120923.06 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

To receive reports from County Cllr Connett and District Cllr Taylor

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120923.07 FINANCE, GOVERNANCE AND POLICY (Cllrs Hopper, Chase, Pegg and Rastall)

7.1 Financial Report from Responsible Financial Officer
To receive a financial report and approve list of payments

Committee Chair Report:

7.2 General Report/Question & Answers

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120923.08 PARKS, GARDENS AND FLOOD DEFENCE (Cllrs Chase, Williamson, McNally and Allen)

Committee Chair Report:

8.1 Proposal: To reimburse Cllr Hopper £4.49 for items purchased for playpark (swing nuts)
Proposer: Cllr Chase; Seconder: tbc

8.2 General Report/Question & Answers

To include:

- Monthly checks and report
- Revised annual contracts
- Terms of Reference - Wild Area and Bonhay Park project

120923.09 PLANNING

(Cllrs Pegg, Cadbury, Lovell & Zawadzka)

Whole Council to Debate (accompanying documents)

9.1 New applications/appeals

9.1.1 23/01332/FUL – Green Pastures, Staplake Lane, Starcross
Replacement dwelling

9.1.2 23/01494/HOU – 49 Longfield Estate, Starcross
Single storey side extension and porch

9.1.3 23/01551/TPO – Courtenay Mews, The Strand, Starcross
T1 Holm oak and T2 Holm oak – remove any deadwood over 50mm, crown lifting to 5 metres over car park and 3 metres over platform

9.2 Decisions:

9.2.1 23/00007/HOU & 23/00008/LBC – Brickhouse Farm Barn, Mamhead
Conversion of storage barn and horse engine house to wedding/function venue including new access track, associated parking and landscaping

To note that TDC has granted conditional planning permission

9.3 Other/General Report/Question & Answers

120923.10 PAVILION & SPORTS FIELD

(Cllrs Rastall, Hopper, Pegg and Eyre)

10.1 Proposal: To reimburse Cllr Hopper £83.13 for items purchased for the Pavilion Café
Proposer: Cllr Rastall; Seconder: tbc

ACTION: Clerk to refund

FUNDING: Pavilion Café

10.2 Proposal: To reimburse Cllr Rastall £34.59 for food and other items purchased for the Pavilion
Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: tbc

ACTION: Clerk to refund

FUNDING: Pavilion Café

10.3 Proposal: To accept a quotation from M&D for relaying the Pavilion terrace plus foundation work for the proposed pergola (details of quotation circulated to members) - £12,585 + VAT
Proposer: Cllr Rastall; Seconder: Cllr Hopper

ACTION: Clerk to issue purchase order

FUNDING: Reserves and precept

10.4 Proposal: To accept a quote from Signs Express for an aluminium sign and posts. There will be an additional cost of maximum £100 for labour to erect the sign. Total £238.40 (details of quotation circulated to members)
Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: tbc

ACTION: Clerk to issue purchase order

FUNDING: Reserves

Committee Chair Report:

10.6 General Report/Questions & Answers

To report any other matters

120923.11 WORKING PARTY REPORTS

11.1 Highways – To receive Chair’s report and proposal:

‘The DCC approved plan for the A379 through Starcross together with the plan for the Mamhead Road were both turned down by DCC so that the situation is entirely the same as it was before we started the process around 10 years ago. Our efforts to at least have the surfaces of the pavements repaired at the same time as the road surface were ignored and my request for information on exactly what was meant by additional small works was repeatedly ignored. It subsequently turned out that this was primarily pavement work at the Cockwood bus stop where 40 yards of new pavement was installed while our need for resurfacing of damaged pavements through Starcross was ignored - AGAIN.

I wrote to County Cllr Connett in a personal capacity following his e-mail of 18th July where he listed “asks” which had been completed pointing out that my main concern was pavements along The Strand which had not been attended to in favour of two projects which have a benefit to a limited number of properties, the Cockwood bus stop in particular, and were not on the PCs list of priorities.

Personally I am still in favour of widening pavements on The Strand but at least re-surfacing should be a Matter of priority. They make a mockery of the ACTIVE TRAVEL policy of DCC it being a signposted route of the SW Coast Path and a death trap for family groups walking through the village. I fear the new road surface which includes no new markings to indicate reduced width, has increased traffic speeds and that continued house building in the Dawlish area will add to the dangers.

I suggest that we re-instate our Highways Working Party which should act as a pressure group to bring forward our concerns regarding safety the A379 and also to pick up again on our views of the Cycle Route directions through Starcross which have also been ignored by DCC’

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120923.12 NON-COMMITTEE ITEMS

None

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120923.13 COUNCILLORS’ PROJECTS

None

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120923.14 CORRESPONDENCE

14.1 Invitation to attend meeting aimed at fostering a stronger and more collaborative relationship between Teignbridge District Council and parish councils: Tuesday 12 October at 6pm in the Council Chamber, Forde House, Newton Abbot

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120923.15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting as Tuesday 10 October 2023

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Note: Where a document or paper is referred to on the Agenda, this document will be available on request from the Clerk by emailing starcrosspcclerk@gmail.com