

LUSTLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL - MINUTES

Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 9th October 2025

Present : Chairman: Tim Wakeham, Councillors: Sheila Palmer, Henry Reddaway, Sarah James, Jeremy Hepworth, James Cater, Frances Hewison, County Councillor: Sally Morgan, Clerk: Rachel Hooper. Eight members of the public

The Chairman started off by clarifying the involvement of Lustleigh Parish Council with the filming. The Chairman stated the council were approached by the film company earlier in the year, as the film company were trying to do the right thing by advising the Parish Council. At that stage, Lustleigh was one of 3 possible locations for filming. The film company asked the Parish Council if they knew of the landowners in the village, so they could be pointed in the right direction to approach them. It wasn't until much later Lustleigh became their choice. The film company wanted to keep the Parish Council in the loop what was going on, not that they needed to but as a courtesy. Realistically, the film company would've come in regardless if the Parish Council said yes or no. The Parish Council believe the film company have behaved very well. It has not and has never been a Parish Council decision if they would film or not. Some correspondence has been received about bribery which is not true. It has actually cost some councillors money out of their own pocket when they have gone to work, had to come back for a meeting and go back to work again. No Parish Councillors have had payment. The film company have a budget they have to stick to. The Chairman asked if there could be a legacy for the village which will depend on how much of the film budget is left. Any complaints must go to the Location Manager.

One member of the public would like some clarity on path being tarmacked, when it would start and finish and asked if the vegetation would be cleared as no detail how much work is going to be done after. County Councillor confirmed Devon County Council own Wreyland path, not Lustleigh Parish Council. Glendinnings did the pot hole filling and believes they will be carrying out the second part of the works. The Chairman suggested Devon County Council put a specification together to get a resolution.

1. **Apologies for Absence** – none
2. **Declarations of Interest** -none
3. **Minutes of Last Meeting** – minutes from the meeting held on 11th September 2025 were approved
4. **Filming** – Film company would like to temporarily rehouse cuddly toy in phone box, will contact owner
5. **Correspondence**
 - a. To discuss correspondence received regarding water flowing down Mapstone Hill, and possible pipe replacement and diversion-County Councillor will deal with as not a parish council matter.
 - b. To discuss the RBL poppy appeal gathering at the war memorial on Remembrance Sunday. Normally a recording of the last post is played but we have the opportunity of a uniformed Royal Marine to attend with a bugler. Cost would be about £100 - not appoved, very happy with what Rod does.
 - c. To discuss the defibrillator maintenance, Sarah Brewer currently maintains, but wondered if someone else possibly could take over maintenance- Shirley and Dean from The Dairy very kindly volunteered to take on the maintenance given their proximity.
6. **Public toilets**- to discuss the possibility of taking on the public toilets before Tim and Rachel meet with Teignbridge District Council- Councillors agreed toilets need to be kept, people could end up using the orchard. County Councillor mentioned Christow have taken over the toilets from the council and reconfigured into part storage which is rented out and a big changing room/toilet. County Councillor confirmed toilets would be handed over to the Parish Council in good condition. Precept would need to be

raised to cover cost of a local cleaner and maintenance. Tim and Rachel will have meeting with Teignbridge District Council to give feedback. Possible working party to Christow to view their arrangement.

7. **Grants and funding**-to discuss the possibilities of grants and funding (email from Councillor Sally Morgan)- Rachel to investigate if any suitable funding available for the village

8. Progress Reports

- a. Bus shelter lease renewal -pending
- b. Reducing the speed at which vehicles enter and leave the village –County Councillor confirmed after speaking to the highways, council cannot do a speed watch. The County Council are hoping to bring in where a parish can fund the cost themselves of changing to 20mh

9. Finance

- a. The September summary was approved

10. Reports from Visiting Councillors and PCSO - for information (items raised for decision will appear on the agenda for the next meeting).

- a. County Councillor said it will cost £390 million to put the Devon roads right, to keep as they are £101 million and next years budget is £58 million. They are trialling in certain areas where a team goes out and fills all the defects in the areas.
- b. From March 2026 Tetra packs will be collected from doorways

11. Planning

- a. New Planning or Tree Work Applications at Time of Printing:
 - i) 0325/25 Replace existing window with French doors and re-use window in another opening- Nutcombe-approved
 - ii) DOC/0211/25 3 Replace existing tile roof with natural slate, replacement windows and apply cladding house exterior- The Gatehouse-approved
- b. DNP Planning Decisions :
 - i) 0420/24 Variation of conditions 2 and 11 of approved planning ref: 0140/21 for construction of temporary agricultural workers' residential accommodation and new agricultural barns, Harton Valley Farm- granted conditionally
 - ii) DOC/0298/24 3 Variation of conditions 2, 4 and 5 to change the materials of the roof and rainwater goods of approved planning ref: 0076/23 for a detached carport, Sanduck Cross Farm- discharged
 - iii) 0255/25 Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed use of the Application Site as an unrestricted residential dwelling (Use Class C3) i.e. that it is not subject to any agricultural occupancy tie such as and including condition (c) of permission 5/03/232/92/01, Southlands Farm-certificate not issued
 - iv) 0250/25 Rear two storey extension, High Orchards-withdrawn
 - v) 25/0059 Carry out tree work to two oaks, one ash, two cherries and a hazel, The Cleave-granted

12. Councillors' Reports & Matters Brought to Councillors' Attention

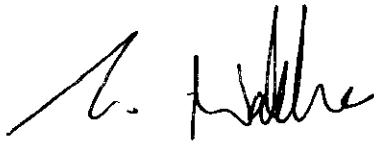
- a. Meetings Attended
 - James and Tim attended a meeting with the film company
 - b. Website
 - Unique visits

<u>September 2024</u>	<u>September 2025</u>
629	751
- c. Orchard
 - Jeremy made a start strimming at the end. Possibly get a group of people to help tidying up.
 - To agree a final cut date for Richard Tooze-agreed to carry on
 - Agreed the machine from Exeter University would do one more cut by the end of the year
- d. Village Maintenance

- Pothole repairs, of 12 registered 8 have now successfully been filled, 4 will be re-registered. 160 potholes filled in last 18 months
- e. Playground and Play Equipment
 - Request a play park safety report-Tim will contact Jerry to do annual inspection

13. **Date of Next Meeting** – 13th November 2025

Signed: *Rachel Hooper* *Date 10.10.25*
Clerk and RFO to Lustleigh Parish Council

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Hooper', written in a cursive style.