

# **Brendon & Countisbury Parish Council**

## **Minutes of Meeting (67)**

**Held in The Staghunters Inn on  
Thursday 17th July 2025**

- 1. Councillors Present.** Karen Wall (Chair), Nigel Webber, John Atherton, Tony Robins, Paul Grout. Andrea Davis (DCC)  
**Apologies.** Pat Patel (Vice Chair), Andrew Hodges, John Patrinos(NDDC), Scott Elliott (Police)
- 2. Declaration of Interests.** None
- 3. Public participation.** None
- 4. Approve minutes of last meeting.** Karen Wall proposed that the minutes of the last meeting be approved. This was seconded by Paul Grout and all agreed. Karen Wall signed the minutes for publication.
- 5. Matters arising.** Karen Wall informed the meeting that the new Village green sign for the Stahunters Inn had been returned to National Parks to have the distance amended.
- 6. Resilience Plan.** Paul Grout has agreed to be the lead in creating and distributing the Resilience Plan.  
He will be arranging a meeting for the Parishioners, which will also have a member of the Environment Agency in attendance.  
He will also be distributing a letter to all Riparians in the Village outlining their responsibilities regarding the river. This will include the National Trust who own the majority of the river banks in the Parish.
- 7. Village green registration.** Karen Wall asked the meeting if they would agree in principle to finding a Conveyancing Solicitor who would be able to advise us on the way forward.  
The Clerk will contact DALC to see if they can help.  
The meeting agreed with this and potential costs will be brought to the next meeting for discussion.
- 8. Finance.** The RFO asked for approval to pay ENP for the signs (after they have rectified the error in item 5) and the Village hall for rent (Jan - Jun). Karen Wall proposed that they be paid. John Atherton seconded and all agreed.

**9. County Councillor's report.** Andrea Davis outlined the body of her monthly report which is available of the parish website.


**10. District Councillor's report.** John Patrinos had previously sent in his monthly report which is available on the parish website.

**11. AOB.** John Atherton said that he was disappointed that the Village hall committee had decided not to install a broadband connection in the Village hall.


Annie Webber, who is a member of the Village hall committee, informed the Council that it was not financially viable. The cost of installation, line rental and the already high cost of electric heating would be more than the rent paid for meetings.

Nigel Webber asked about the missing sign post at Cross Lane. Andrea Davis said she would investigate.

Meeting closed @ 19:55      Next meeting 21/08/2025

Signed 

Clerk

Approved 

Chair

Date 21st August 2025 Minute Ref 68/4.