

Brendon & Countisbury Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting (79)

**Held in The Staghunters Inn on
Thursday 16th July 2026**

1. Councillors Present. Karen Wall (Chair), Nigel Webber, Andrew Hodges, John Atherton, Tony Robins, Paul Grout, John Patrinos (NDDC),
Apologies. Pat Patel (Vice Chair), Andrea Davis (DCC), Scott Elliott

2. Declaration of Interests. Nigel Webber declared an interest in the Lower Tippacott Farm planning application.

3. Public Participation. None

4. Approve minutes of last meeting. Karen Wall proposed that the minutes be approved. Nigel Webber seconded and all agreed.

5. Matters arising.

FiPL. Karen Wall informed the meeting that all water front residents had signed up for the scheme, except for the National Trust who are being obstructive. It has been agreed that a survey of what needs to be done on NT property will be carried out and presented to them for their consideration. Ownership of the bridge is to be investigated with the help of Andrea Davies.

Defibrillator. Nigel Webber has identified suitable defibrillators. The Clerk will order 2. One will be put in the Staghunters Inn porch and the other will go on the Rockford Inn wall.

Resilience plan. Is progressing.

6. Finance. The clerk requested approval to pay John Lawrence £97 for June's grass cutting. Tony Robins proposed that it should be paid, Nigel Webber seconded and all agreed.

7. District Councillor's report. John Patrinos informed the meeting that Central Government had released the Local Government Reorganisation plan for Devon. Full details are on the Devon County Council's website.

8. Planning. Nigel Webber left the meeting. After a discussion, Karen Wall proposed that the Council should support this application and Andrew Hodges seconded. The vote was 5 for and 1 against. Proposal carried.
Nigel Webber returned.

9. **AOB.** The occupant of The Old School House at the top of Church Hill appears to be using land on the side of the road which probably belongs to DCC highways. The Clerk will ask Andrea Davies to investigate.

Meeting closed @ 20:00

Signed _____

Clerk

Approved _____

Chair

Date

20 Aug 2026

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