Chardstock Parish Council

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I hereby give notice of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council to be held in person on Wednesday 8th April 2026 at 7.00pm to which you are summoned to attend so that you may deal with the business on the agenda below.

This meeting will be held at the Chardstock Community Hall (Committee Room)

Signed:

Danielle Gilpin, Proper Officer dated 31st March 2026

All council meetings are open to members of the public and the press.
(Public Bodies [Admission to Meetings] Act 1960)

ALL MEETINGS MAY BE RECORDED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (see below)

Chair will outline fire exits and regulations

Public Forum (at Chair's discretion):

i) Reports from Honorary Representatives (including Police Report if available)
ii) Report to Council on Public Rights of Way matters
iii) Reports from County and District Councillors
a) Cllr. Cathy Connor, Devon County Council, Whimple and Blackdown division
b) Cllr. Duncan Mackinder, East Devon District Council, Yarty ward
iv) Public representations and questions to Council

Limited to 3 minutes per person, 15 minutes maximum duration at Chair's discretion. Council may choose to provide written answers to any questions raised.

This provides an opportunity for members of the public (who are not usually permitted to speak during the council meeting, other than on Planning Applications or by special invitation of the Chair) to participate during the meeting by asking questions, highlighting matters of concern or making representations regarding Chardstock parish. No decisions can be taken on matters raised during this part of the meeting. Members of the public are asked to give their name and address before speaking.

26/001 i) To note members of the Parish Council in attendance
ii) To receive apologies for absence and to approve reasons given. *(LGA 1972 S.85 (1))*
iii) To note any members not otherwise accounted for and to receive any other apologies for absence

26/002 To receive any declarations of interest relating to items outlined in this agenda.
(this does not preclude the duty to declare further interests during the meeting as applicable)

26/003 To consider any matters listed on this agenda that Councillors consider should be dealt with as confidential business as per the provisions of *The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960*

26/004 To consider and, if so agreed, approve the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Chardstock Parish Council held **11th March 2026** as previously circulated

26/005 Planning Matters

a)i) To consider planning applications received prior to agenda publication:

None received.

a)ii) To consider planning applications received after agenda publication as per supplementary agenda circulated to members and published online.

b) LPA determinations/decisions advised: None advised to the Council
**Indicates decision was contrary to resolved position of the Parish Council*

c) Tree (Planning) Matters:

None received.

d) Appeals lodged / in progress: None advised to the Council

e) Planning correspondence received: None advised to the Council

f) Planning applications to be considered at forthcoming EDDC Planning Committee meetings: None advised to the Council

26/006 Financial Matters

a) To consider and, if thought fit, to approve Council's Payments for March 2026

b) To receive and note RFO report for March 2026

c) Questions to the RFO in relation to reports circulated to members

d) To consider items of expenditure authorised in under Chair's/Clerk's delegated authority *(Financial Regulations May 2021 S.4.1 and Delegation Appendix)*

e) To consider renewal of membership to DALC (Devon Association of Local Councils) £372.68

f) To confirm the internal audit for the financial year 2025-26 will take place on 22nd April 2026

26/007 Proposals/Motions/Business to be considered

"Matters of Council consideration may include public participation if so invited by Chair"

a) To consider parish maintenance, highways and footpath (P3) matters

b) To consider any matters pertaining to tree planting projects/initiatives in the parish (Chair to invite Hon. Tree Warden, Michael Davis, to present a report to the Council)

c) To consider ongoing work on the Emergency Planning for parishes including Community Emergency Hubs

d) To discuss Chardstock playpark

e) To consider submission of articles to Parish Newsletter for the May 2026 edition

26/008 Other matters considered as urgent by presiding Chair for discussion only

26/009 Date and Time of next meeting:

Wednesday 13th May 2026 - 7.00pm at Chardstock Community Hall

26/010 It is proposed that, under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by Local Government Act 1972, the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed. Members to agree upon matters to be discussed in confidential session, as per agenda item 25/108 above.

This part of the meeting would not be open to the public or press. Members will consider matters, previously approved above, as confidential business in accordance with the legislation set out in the preceding paragraph.

26/011 Matters to be considered in CONFIDENTIAL session:

To consider any business determined as confidential (see 25/108 above)

Thereafter, with no further business to consider, the Chair will close the meeting.

RECORDING OF MEETINGS

Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, members of the public are now allowed to take photographs, film and audio record the proceedings and report on all public meetings (including on social media). No prior notification is needed but is would be helpful if you could let the Chair, or Clerk, know that you plan to film or record so that the necessary arrangements can be made to provide reasonable facilities for you to report on meetings. This permission does not extend to parts of meetings which are not open to the public. You should take all recording and photography equipment with you if a public meeting moves into a session which is not open to the public