

Goodleigh Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5 January 2025 at 6:30pm at Goodleigh Village Hall

Present: Cllrs N Thorne (Chairman), Ms L Boyle, R Gulwell, Dr S Ley, Dr F Underwood and R Underwood.

In Attendance: 1 member of the public, Cllr M Prowse (NDC), Parish Clerk.

111. Items from the public

None.

112. Apologies

Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr S Clarke and Cllr Mrs A Davis (DCC)

113. Approval of Minutes of meeting held 3 December 2024

The Minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed as a true record.

114. Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the last meeting.

115. Reports

1. District Councillor

Cllr Prowse reported that there was to be a full council meeting that Thursday to discuss the Devolution Bill, and the proposal for a unitary authority for Devon, which would see the county and district councils being abolished. There were concerns over the lack of representatives from the northern part of the county on a county-wide unitary authority. North Devon Council were looking at other possible alternatives.

5 year housing supply.

2. County Councillor

A report had been received from Cllr \Mrs Davis, which had been circulated to councillors and placed on the website.

116. Planning Applications

None received

117. 2024 Christmas Lunch

The Lunch had been very well received, and enjoyed by all. Some considered it to be the best that they had attended.

Donations and raffle income totalled £246.05. Expenses totalled £327.55.

118. North Devon Homes

No response had been received from North Devon Homes regarding the possibility of transferring the open space land to the parish council.

Clerk to contact North Devon Homes again.

119. Play Area

It was hoped that the contractor would start work at the end of February.

120. Website

The clerk reported that the website was now up to date, including the village hall details.

121. Correspondence Received

1. NDC - Climate and Environment Grant Fund (CEG) Second Round. Clerk to circulate to councillors.
2. NDC - Special Parish Forum on 12 March to discuss crucial aspects of community emergency planning, learn from recent incidents such as Storm Darragh and create a coordinated way of working to improve future responses. Noted.

122. Surface Water/Drains/Highways

It was reported that some of the drains which had been cleared were now blocked again. A large pothole was reported, just outside the parish boundary at Ivy Lodge.

123. Grass Cutting

No update available.

124. Matters from the Chairman

None.

125. Finance

1. Payments

Goodleigh Village Hall	£33.00	Cheque No. 1092
Ms L Boyle – Christmas Lunch	£51.50	Cheque No. 1088
Clerk’s Salary & Expenses	£67.92	Cheque No. 1089
HMRC	£16.40	Cheque No. 1090
Dr S Ley – Christmas Lunch	£12.95	Cheque No. 1091

The five accounts were approved for payment.

126. Items for the next Agenda:

Play Area

127. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 4 February 2025

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.05pm.

Signed

Chairman

Date