

Goodleigh Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 1 July 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 parishioner, Cllr Mrs A Davis (DCC), T Squire (outgoing parish clerk), Mrs F Morris (incoming parish clerk).

31. Items from the public

No matters raised.

32. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence received.

33. Approval of Minutes of meeting held 3 June 2025

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

34. Co-option of Parish Councillor

A parishioner had expressed an interest in being co-opted onto the parish council. It was unanimously agreed that Mr King should be co-opted as parish councillor.

35. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None.

36. Reports

1. District Councillor

None – District Councillor not present.

2. County Councillor

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

37. Planning Applications

No new applications had been received.

It was noted that the recent Coombe Close application had been refused.

38. Correspondence Received

A response had been received from Acorn Homes regarding the lack of the drains from the village hall being shown on any of the plans. They had noted that it sometimes happens that plans from SW Water are incomplete, but that a full survey would be undertaken before any ground work commences. They were aware of the presence of man hole covers.

It was agreed to enquire from SWW how they were intending to deal with the waste from the additional dwellings.

39. Audio Recording of Meetings

It was agreed that an audio recording of a meeting could assist the clerk when writing the minutes.

It was agreed to proceed with the recording of meetings.

40. Litter Pick

As there was no evidence of litter around the village at the present time, it was not thought necessary to arrange a litter pick.

41. Playground

No response had been received from Playsafety.

42. Surface Water/Drains/Highways

It was reported that a lot of mess had been left on the road by contractors clearing the drains. It was agreed to make a complaint to Highways, to be copied to Andrea.

43. Matters from the Chairman

Due to the resignation of Cllr Clarke, the parish council did not have a representative on the village hall committee. Cllr R Underwood offered to act as the council’s representative. Cllr Underwood was thanked for offering.

The Chairman formally Mrs Morris who would be taking over as the Parish Clerk from the end of this meeting.

44. Lloyds Bank – update

The Chairman reported that he, with an ex-councillor, had visited Lloyds Bank in Barnstaple in an attempt to resolve the problem regarding signatories. After calls with ex councillors who were listed as being signatories, it appeared that some progress had been made.

It was agreed to produce a time line of events and make a formal complaint to the bank.

45. Finance

1. Payments

Goodleigh Village Hall	£ 33.00	Cheque No. 1121
Clerk’s Salary & Expenses	£ 94.22	Cheque No. 1122
HMRC	£ 16.40	Cheque No. 1123
Mrs J Snooks – internal audit	£ 60.00	Cheque No. 1124
North Devon Homes	£ 7.50	Cheque No. 1125
North Devon Tree & Garden Services	£120.00	Cheque No. 1126

The five accounts were approved for payment.

46. Items for the next Agenda:

Ownership of the Play Area; DALC Membership; Lloyds Bank; Audio Recording of Meetings.

47. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 5 August 2025

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7:25pm.

Signed
Chairman

Date