

Frithelstock Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of Frithelstock Parish Council held on Wednesday 17th September 2025 at 7pm in Frithelstock Village Hall.

In attendance Cllrs. John Burrill (Chair), Lizzie Hunkin, Chris Stevens, Mark Thomas, Richard Lee.

Also in attendance three members of the public.

1. The Chair opened the meeting at 7PM.

2. Apologies for absence
Bob Lewis-Basson, Adrian Hardwick,

3. Declarations of Interest
None

4. Reports from outside bodies.
Devon County Council:- Councillor Cheryl Cottle-Hunkin was unable to attend however had provided an emailed report that had been circulated by the clerk ahead of the meeting. The report was noted.

5. Minutes.
To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes, previously circulated, of the meeting held on 16th July 2025.
Approved

6. Matters Arising.
None

7. Public Participation.
Anitiquated finger signpost at Rakeham Hill. The potential cost of refurbishing the sign was reported to be in the region of £400-£500 and grant aid may be available from Devon County Council Highway Community Enhancement Fund and potentially the CPRE.
The Resilience Forum was on hold at present.

8. Planning Issues

Parish Consultation 1/0714/2025/PIP Permission in Principle for residential development up to 7no. dwellings on Hele Lane adjacent to Playing Field.

The Chair declared an interest as the site was near his property.

Councillors discussed that the site was suitable for development however there were concerns that the site covered the track that was the only access to the Playing Field and there was also an issue with the sewerage system being at capacity.

It was agreed that the Clerk draft a response and circulate it to all councillors for review/amendment before submitting to Torridge District Council before the deadline of 26th September.

9. Payments for Approval.

The Chair noted that bank charges will be free going forward and had received an invoice totalling £1,090 from R. Stoneman for grass cutting. The payments made since the last meeting and the bank balances as at 28th August 2025.

All payments paid and proposed since last meeting.

HSBC	Bank charges	18.00
DCC	Pension contributions	3.76
Robert Stoneman	Grass cutting	1,090.00
Bob Lewis-Basson	Cable and web services	45.00

(General £10,168, and Playing Field £7,555).

10. Speedwatch.

Cllr. Lee advised that since the last meeting he had exchanged emails with County Councillor Cheryl Cottle-Hunkin regarding speed activated signage etc. and the Speed Compliance and Accident Reduction Forum (SCARF). There was still a lack of support for Speedwatch from the community.

11. Email from Holsworthy Town Council regarding withdrawal of Fire Co-Responders.

After discussion it was decided that the Clerk should write a letter of concern to at the proposed withdrawal for the Fire Co-Responders to South West Ambulance Services Trust.

12.) Water-proof dispensers for The Prior

It was decided to purchase three waterproof dispensers for the prior at an anticipated cost of £60

13.) Urgent Matters Raised by Councillors

None

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 19:51.

Date of next meeting, Wednesday 19th November 2025 7pm Frithelstock Village Hall.

John Burrill

Chair

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