MINUTES OF A LYMPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00PM ON MONDAY 2ND MARCH 2026.

PRESENT:	
Councillors	D Atkins (DGA), R Coleman (RC), S Culhane (SC), S Francis (SF), R Gale-Hasleham (RGH), K Hill (KH), J. Payne (JP), A Roberts (AR) and L Staddon (LS) (LPC Chair)
Clerk	Miss L Tyrrell
County Councillors	J Trail (JT)
District Councillors	B Ingham (BI) and G Jung (GJ)
Public	9 members

Public session:
A resident asked about Front Meadow car park and felt it was time for another meeting with the Church. The Chair explained that the PC was maintaining the car park from now on and SC explained that there was a working group being set up to manage the whole area.
The Chair read the update received from Kier regarding the flood defence works at the lower end of the village *(See Appendix 1).*

26/10 Apologies

County Cllr Brown due to other commitments.

RESOLVED that the apologies were accepted.
LS proposed. SF seconded. Unan.

26/11 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the PC meeting held on the 2nd February 2026 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
DGA proposed. KH seconded. Unan.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Assets and Amenities committee meeting held on the 10th February 2026 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
DGA proposed. KH seconded. Unan.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the PC Assets and Amenities Part B meeting held on the 10th February 2026 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
DGA proposed. KH seconded. Unan.

26/12 To receive any Declarations of Interest

DGA declared a personal interest with item 28/13.
RC declared a personal interest with planning application 25/2600/FUL and 25/2601/LBC.

This was recorded in the book.

26/13 Ms J Bannister, 3West - Residential Development East of Nutwell Road, Lympstone

Jojo Bannister (JB) and David Matthews (DM) from 3West were present and delivered a presentation regarding a proposed outline planning application for land East of Nutwell Road. (See Appendix 2).

DM explained the land proposed for development was eleven acres. RGH shared a concern of the original draft allocation was for 42 properties and this had increased to 70 properties.

GJ hoped this development would begin after the Strawberry Hill/Meeting Lane development had been completed. He also asked if footpath access along Nutwell Road and Meeting Lane had been considered for residents to access the village. DM explained that the other development should be completed by end of 2027 and a footpath along Meeting Lane had been considered with this application and he would investigate a footpath along Nutwell Road.

A resident queried whether 3West had looked at the impact on Lympstone amenities as these would be greatly affected. JB explained that would be part of a detailed assessment as part of the outline planning application.

26/14 Clerk's Report:

26/14.1 LPC documents and policies – The following reviewed documents were presented: Report on Review of Internal Controls, Risk Management, Child Protection, Contracts, Equality, Grant Awarding, H&S Statement and Memorial benches.

AR added that due to the response received from the internal auditor that LPCs Risk Management Policy and Risk Register, which had already been reviewed by Cllrs should also now be approved.

RESOLVED that the reviewed Report on Review of Internal Controls, Risk Management, Child Protection, Contracts, Equality, Grant Awarding, H&S Statement, Memorial benches and Risk Management Policy and Risk Register was approved.

LS Proposed. SF Seconded. Unan.

26/14.2 LPC Risk Assessments – The following reviewed risk assessments were presented: Avenue, Cliff and Candys Fields, Cemetery, Front Meadow, Gulliford Burial Ground, The Green, The Rag and Public toilets.

RESOLVED that the reviewed Risk Assessments: The Avenue, Cliff Field, Candys Field, Cemetery, Front Meadow, Gulliford Burial Ground, The Green, The Rag and the Public toilets were approved.

LS Proposed. SF Seconded. Unan.

26/14.3 Correspondence received.

26/14.3.1 Heathfield Allotment Trust appointment of Trustee

RESOLVED that LPC ratified the new appointment of a Heathfield Allotment Trustee.
LS Proposed. SF seconded. Unan.

26/14.3.2 War memorial
All Cllrs agreed that the war memorial needed cleaning and refurbishing. JT asked the PC to apply for a DCC locality grant to support this work.

26/14.3.3 New roundabout in Lympstone Parish
The Chair read the email received from a resident regarding a safety concern raised with the adverse camber on the new roundabout at Dinan Way Extension. JT explained that he would speak to the necessary officers about this and respond in writing to the PC.

26/14.4 Casual vacancies
The Clerk explained that there were two vacancies on the PC and no election had been called. It was up to the PC to co-opt a new member.

26/14.5 Finance – January 2026 Payments / Financial summary / Budget report
The Clerk explained that the internal auditors self-review had been completed and all evidential documentation to date had been emailed to the internal auditor on the 25th February 2026.
AR countersigned the bank statements for January 2026.
DGA asked about the ongoing cheque payments to HMRC. AR felt the Clerk needed to investigate paying HMRC online rather than by cheque. He also raised closing the PC TSB bank account by the end of the financial year (31st March).

RESOLVED that the TSB bank account would be closed by end of March 2026.
AR proposed. JP seconded. Unan.

RESOLVED that the payments in Appendix 3 be approved.
LS proposed. SF seconded. Unan.

26/14.6 Clerk and LPC's Action List including master correspondence list
It was discussed and agreed that additional tabs on the spreadsheet list were necessary to include completed and uncompleted resolutions/actions older than six months old for future reference.

RESOLVED that the Council received and noted the Clerk's and LPCs action and master correspondence list.

26/15 Reports from the Chairman, East Devon District Councillors and Devon County Councillors
JT explained that on the 5th February both he and a Highways officer met to view the water run off at the top of Hulham Road. By hand, they both cleared

and removed the leaves off the top of drains which dispersed the excess water. AR thanked JT for clearing the road. JT added that all Highway work had been put back due to the number of potholes being reported and repaired. There were currently 600 potholes being reported a day. He quashed any rumours that Wotton Lane, at this stage, was being changed to a one-way system. All roads would be reviewed after the Dinan Way Extension (DWE) had been completed. JT went on to explain that Local Government Reform (LGR) had still not been confirmed by Government. He did not believe that LGR would be feasible in a rural area like Devon. JT referred to local planning developments and highlighted the importance of the PC asking developers to consider and incorporate the needs for the Parish during the planning stage. He explained that terminology was important to be correct, for example, a 'controlled crossing' could be anything but a 'mechanism crossing' meant lights. JT added that public footpath No.1 would be closed in March until September due to building works for a new development.

A resident asked if there could be a temporary stop on main road closures in the village whilst DWE was in situ. JT explained there had been changes in staff issuing the licenses and this had caused issues with road closures. He added that along the A376, emergency vehicles had to wait due to the single lane traffic. There were alternative routes that could be taken. He explained that road signs were erected to remind road users of best practice but could not do anymore to enforce drivers.

GJ read his report *(See Appendix 4).*

A resident added that it was only a couple of years ago that EDDC had a vote of no confidence in South West Water (SWW) so why had no changes been made in the planning system? GJ explained that if SWW told EDDC they could cope then nothing more could be enforced. RGH queried why EDDC wasn't lobbying the EA to act more with SWW? GJ offered the PC an additional meeting regarding water pollution in the near future. All Cllrs agreed to this.

BI shared his concerns regarding the total lack of infrastructure which was out of control. He believed that the current and previous governments had failed to address any processes that functioned.

The Chair read her report *(See Appendix 5).*

26/16 Planning applications

26/16.1

AMENDED PLAN: **25/2631/MFUL -** Proposed steel frame building for relocation of Garden Centre restaurant and retail space (Class E) at Kings Garden And Leisure, Hulham Road, Exmouth.

As this had previously been supported by the PC then it was agreed that no further comment would be made.

26/16.2

26/0090/FUL - Removal of 2no. timber outbuildings, construction of a detached garden room, replacement steps and railings at Rose Cottage, Longmeadow Road.

A resident spoke on the application with concerns of no scale included on the plans, the garden room looked like the size of a small dwelling, there would be an increased water run off and lack of light to neigbouring properties. SC read correspondence received from a resident raising similar concerns.

GJ added that the property was not in an identified flood zone.

RESOLVED that the Clerk send the recommendation of object from LPC to EDDC due to the proposed planning application being out of keeping of the area, overdevelopment of the site, negative impact on neighbouring properties and increased flooding concerns.
SC proposed. LS seconded. Unan.

26/16.3
25/2600/FUL and 25/2601/LBC - Demolish existing rear single storey lean-to. Construct new single storey rear extension. Internal changes include infilling of one opening and creation of new opening. External works include changes to some external materials, re-roofing of the two-storey rear element, replacement lead flashings to chimney, localised roof repairs, changes to fenestration, and minor landscaping works to the patio including removal of low level wall and steps at Fern Cottage, The Strand *(expires 22nd March).*

RESOLVED that the Clerk send the recommendation of support from LPC to EDDC with the proviso of following the ecological recommendations of integrated nesting opportunities and rainwater capture.
SF proposed. LS seconded. DGA, SC, RGH, KH, JP and AR supported. RC abstained.

26/17 Planning decisions

RESOLVED that the EDDC decisions were noted.

26/18 Reports of Committees

26/18.1 Assets and Amenities Committee
DGA reported that the field boundaries were being investigated by the National Trust to identify who was responsible for the hedge adjoining the neighbouring property.

26/18.2 Community Committee
Mr Nick Linfoot (NL), a member of the Hub rebuild project working group explained that Charity status had just been awarded. The next steps now were:

- Meet with the architect to discuss the tendering procedure and grant applications.
- Meet with the fundraising advisor.
- Meet with key people involved with and using the current hub building.
- Await further instructions from the solicitor regarding a lease between LPC and the Chairty.
- Set up an accounts package.
- Advertise in the Herald for an additional three trustees for the Charity.

NL reiterated that if total funds were not met then doners would have the option to either have their donation returned or put towards improving the current hub building. He thanked Cllr Francis' husband for helping him with the technical side of applying for and submitting the relevant documents to the charity

commission. JP thanked NL for all his hard work and perseverance with the entire charity status application.

26/18.3 Planning and Transport committee

SF read her report regarding an update on Lympstone Neighbourhood Plan (see Appendix 6).

SF added that it had been suggested to her that there should be more public involvement, but the PC had resolved for her and an initial small working group to begin updating the rewrite of the plan. She asked the PC to let her know what they wanted to happen.

SC added that she had got a quote from Devon Communities Together (DCT) a professional body for consultation work and public engagement. There was the need for a professional to manage the public event. The quote from DCT had been accepted last October by the PC. What was currently happening had not been publicised for public involvement. A member and mentor of the small working group, Mrs Linda Lyon (LL) explained that the original public event of the very first NP involved people to write on post its but this time round the plan needed an updated framework to give people something to add to. There was the need for a professional to manage the public event. SC felt the working group had done a great job updating the content, and it was time to involve the whole community and work on strengthening the policies which would be relied on to shape development to the needs of the community. It was accepted practice to clearly publish the process and invite all parishioners to get involved. Another member of the small working group, NL, added that previous consultations had only been attended by residents when another event was being held at the same time and there had been a noticeable lack of support from many Cllrs to attend the same public consultation. GJ added that most members of the public were 'planned out'. He explained that when Woodbury Parish Council wrote their NP it started with thirty interested members which quickly whittled down to four members finally working on it. NL reminded the PC that the current plan ran out at the end of 2026. RGH felt everyone was despondent and fed up with the lack of infrastructure yet more development proposed. SC felt it was best to take professional advice from DCT. JP reiterated that LPC had started a new plan, the PC were ready to engage with DCT so the PC should now be asking them for a date to involve the public and move forward. SC asked exactly what was being asked from DCT? SF was visibly upset that the working group was being challenged in this way, when they were working towards the next round of community involvement. She stressed that all the content prepared and written to date had been based on feedback from the first public consultation in June 2024, Wild About Lympstone event, Lympstone Water Quality Group's response and feedback from mentors. The small working group was working within a very narrow time frame, as the PC had not moved on since 2024 with the plan, this would be a 2nd public consultation. SF explained she had envisaged DCT to organise a public consultation for residents to reflect on what had been written and incorporate additional results from the public comments.

GJ suggested the PC invited different groups run by the facilitator, with separate tables for different areas of the plan.

RESOLVED SC to contact DCT to arrange and organise 2nd public consultation in May.
JP proposed. LS seconded. Unan.

SC thanked the working group very much for all their hard work to date.

26/19 Items for the next Agenda
Update from DCT.
Update regarding the new Hub building.

Meeting closed: **9.21pm**

Signed: Date:

Appendix 1: **Report from Kier regarding flood defence works**

2nd March 2026
Ahead of tonight's meeting, I wanted to provide a bit of an update in the absence of a member of the project attending.

Following a delayed start due to flooding, works have now commenced on site.
An access track has been installed through the Marsh fields to Wotton Brook, and a scaffold access bridge (for plant access) is now in place – image attached. Works are currently progressing within the gardens in preparation for the installation of bottom-driven displacement piles (mini piling), which is scheduled to begin next week (week commencing 9 March).
Due to flooding within the works area, which caused approximately a two-week disruption, the project is currently around one week behind programme. However, we anticipate recovering this time over the course of the works, with completion still targeted for the end of June / early July.
Additional updates:

- Three disabled parking bays have been approved.
- Vegetation clearance is due to be completed this week.
- Access challenges caused by utility works and road closures through the village have now been resolved and work around sort.
- Possibility of some disruption due to piling works, duration approx. two weeks
- Appetite to hold a coffee morning within the village, Monday / Tuesday, not to encroach on the coffee shop – thoughts welcome.

Further updates will be provided as works progress.
Thanks,
Kelly Cowling MCIM BA Hons
Customer and Stakeholder Engagement Manager

Kier Natural Resources, Nuclear & Networks | Environment

Appendix 2: **3West presentation on the proposed development of 70 houses at Land East Of Nutwell Road (Woodbury)**

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

Lympstone Parish Council

3West Group

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

WELCOME

- Based in the South West, we have a commitment to create a lasting legacy of exceptional homes while prioritising our customers in everything we do.
- Being a privately owned company allows us to concentrate our efforts on enhancing customer experience, managing our supply chain, and engaging with local communities.
- We emphasise high-quality design and specifications, both internally and externally.
- Health and Safety is a number one priority.
- Our experience indicates that these aspects are what truly matter to customers and existing residents.

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

PRESENT PLANNING SITUATION

- The site does not currently have any planning status but is a proposed allocation in the Draft Local Plan (Regulation 19 stage)
- Draft allocation wording:
  - *Gh/ED/72a - Land at Meeting Lane, Lympstone. This site is allocated for 42 new homes. Tree planting along the western and northern edge should be provided to mitigate the impact upon Nutwell Park. A pedestrian link should connect with the existing footpath on Meeting Lane to the south. Development should explore opportunities for localised improvements/contributions (e.g at the Exmouth Road/Meeting Lane intersection). Part of the site is at risk of flooding and Level 2 SFRA has been undertaken, the results of which should be incorporated into the development. A sequential test has been undertaken as part of the local plan.*

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

DRAFT LOCAL PLAN HISTORY

- The site was previously brought forward as part of a much larger potential allocation:
  - This included the whole of two fields
  - The proposed allocation was for up to 131 dwellings

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

CONSTRAINTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

FLOOD MAPPING

- The proposed development site falls wholly within Flood Zone 1, the Environment Agency's lowest category of flood risk.
- The far western corner of the site is affected by a surface water flood zone and this will not be proposed for development.
- Commitment to engage with The Lympstone Flood Resilience Group (LFRG)

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

SOUTH WEST WATER

- Upgrade works are required to off site sewers ahead of further development. SWW are legislatively bound to upgrade their network and we are currently awaiting an update on when this will be.
- The condition placed on our Strawberry Hill development is below:
  - Prior to the commencement of development it shall be evidenced to, and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority, whether or not the South West Water foul sewerage infrastructure that this development would link into has adequate capacity to deal with the foul sewage generated by this development. If it is identified that upgrade works are required to ensure adequate foul sewage capacity, no dwelling shall be occupied until the upgrades to the foul sewage infrastructure have been completed to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority unless alternative means of adequately dealing with foul drainage have been agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority and implemented in full.

South West Water

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

- We are proposing to submit an outline planning application for up to 70 new homes
- The following will be incorporated into the development:
  - Affordable Housing
  - Appropriate density
  - Tree planting along the western and northern edges
  - Pedestrian link onto Meeting Lane
  - Vehicular access onto Nutwell Road
  - S106 contributions and CIL
- All usual surveys will be completed. Ecology has been done, traffic surveys and drainage tests to be completed.

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

STREET SCENES - STRAWBERRY HILL

LAND EAST OF NUTWELL ROAD, LYMPSTONE

PROGRAMME

- OUTLINE SUBMISSION – June 2026
- OUTLINE APPROVAL – December 2026
- S106 SIGNED – March 2027
- RESERVED MATTERS SUBMISSION – August 2027
- RESERVED MATTERS APPROVAL – November 2027

Appendix 3:

Finance – January 2026 Payments / Financial summary / Budget report

Current account c/f 31st Jan 2026	
TSB	£ 20,921.64
Unity Trust	£ 64,982.98
Total current account	£ 85,904.62
Instant Access savings account c/f 31st Jan 2026	
Unity Trust	£130,555.53
Total accounts	£216,460.15

Bank Account Reconciled Statement

Savings Account

Statement Number	3	Bank Statement No.	3
Statement Opening Balance	£130,100.00	Opening Date	01/01/26
Statement Closing Balance	£130,555.53	Closing Date	31/01/26
True/ Cashbook Closing Balance	£130,555.53		

Date	Cheque/ Ref.	Supplier/ Customer	Debit (£)	Credit (£)	Balance (£)
31/01/26	UT savings 31/1/26	Unity Trust Bank	0.00	455.53	130,555.53

Uncleared and unpresented effects

Total uncleared and unpresented	0.00	0.00
Total debits / credits	0	455.53

Reconciled by Lucy Tyrrell

Bank Account Reconciled Statement

Current Account

Statement Number	34	Bank Statement No.	34
Statement Opening Balance	£93,689.69	Opening Date	01/01/26
Statement Closing Balance	£85,904.62	Closing Date	31/01/26
True/ Cashbook Closing Balance	£85,854.62		

Date	Cheque/ Ref.	Supplier/ Customer	Debit (£)	Credit (£)	Balance (£)
05/01/26	UT 5/1/26	Copyrite	775.00	0.00	92,914.69
05/01/26	UT HB 5/1/26	Hilton Barnfield Architects	4,536.00	0.00	88,378.69
05/01/26	UT 05/01/26	Employment	214.29	0.00	88,164.40
05/01/26	UT 000006	Herald Advert	0.00	135.00	88,299.40
06/01/26	UT JC 6/1/26	Toilets cleaning	620.00	0.00	87,679.40
09/01/26	TSB EDF	EDF Energy	0.00	559.15	88,238.55

12/01/26	TSB EDF(1)	EDF Energy Ref: (Candys Field)	35.36	0.00	88,203.19
12/01/26	TSB EDF(2)	EDF Energy Ref: (Candys Field)	35.36	0.00	88,167.83
12/01/26	TSB EDF(3)	EDF Energy Ref: (Candys Field)	36.54	0.00	88,131.29
12/01/26	UT DGA 12/01/26	Cllr Expenses	29.70	0.00	88,101.59
14/01/26	UT LB 14/1/26	Friends of station bank	84.69	0.00	88,016.90
14/01/26	UT PO 14/1/26	Parish Online	192.00	0.00	87,824.90
15/01/26	UT 300005	Employment	960.30	0.00	86,864.60
16/01/26	TSB EDF(4)	EDF Energy Ref: (Candys Field)	36.54	0.00	86,828.06
21/01/26	UT 21/01/26	Herald Advert	0.00	54.00	86,882.06
26/01/26	UT 26/1/26	Herald Advert	0.00	90.00	86,972.06
26/01/26	UT 26/1/26	Herald Advert	0.00	135.00	87,107.06
26/01/26	UT 26/1/26	Herald Advert	0.00	135.00	87,242.06
27/01/26	TSB 27/1/26	Herald Advert	0.00	500.00	87,742.06
29/01/26	UT Bagwells 29/1/26	Bagwells Ltd	259.79	0.00	87,482.27
30/01/26	UT 30/1/26	Employment	119.00	0.00	87,363.27
30/01/26	UT 30/1/26	Employment	2,284.65	0.00	85,078.62
30/01/26	UT LVH (1) 30/1/26	Lympstone Village Hall CIO	25.50	0.00	85,053.12
30/01/26	UT LVH (2) 30/1/26	Lympstone Village Hall CIO	8.50	0.00	85,044.62
30/01/26	UT LVH (3) 30/1/26	Lympstone Village Hall CIO	8.50	0.00	85,036.12
30/01/26	UT LVH (4) 30/1/26	Lympstone Village Hall CIO	25.50	0.00	85,010.62
30/01/26	UT 30/1/26	Herald Advert	0.00	900.00	85,910.62
31/01/26	UT fee 31 1 26	Unity Trust Bank	6.00	0.00	85,904.62
Uncleared and unpresented effects					
30/01/26	UT DCT 30/1/26	Community Council of Devon	50.00		85,854.62
		Total uncleared and unpresented	50.00	0.00	
		Total debits / credits	10343.22	2508.15	

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Financial Statement – Cashbook

Statement of receipts and payments between 01/04/25 and 31/01/26 inclusive. This may include transactions with ledger dates outside this period.

Balances at the start of the year

Ordinary Accounts

Current Account	£263,595.55

Short Term Investment Accounts

Savings Account	£0.00
Total	£263,595.55

RECEIPTS	Net (£)	Vat (£)	Gross (£)
Council			
10 Precept	56,000.00	0.00	56,000.00
15 CIL	0.00	0.00	0.00
20 DCC re Candys Field	0.00	0.00	0.00
25 Herald Adverts	4,863.27	0.00	4,863.27

30 Burial Fees	1,981.00	0.00	1,981.00
35 Lymp FC	0.00	0.00	0.00
40 Flower Beds	0.00	0.00	0.00
45 Wayleaves	7.54	0.00	7.54
50 Misc	3,301.00	0.00	3,301.00
55 Web adverts	0.00	0.00	0.00
60 Parishes Together	0.00	0.00	0.00
65 External grants	1,683.93	0.00	1,683.93
70 YC Rech	2,923.15	0.00	2,923.15
75 VHMC	0.00	0.00	0.00
80 MoD Comm Cov	0.00	0.00	0.00
85 DCC error	0.00	0.00	0.00
90 Community Hub	0.00	0.00	0.00
95 Woodbury PC	0.00	0.00	0.00
99 VAT refund	675.38	0.00	675.38
100 Guildford BG	0.00	0.00	0.00
105 FLOS	0.00	0.00	0.00
110 Interest	455.53	0.00	455.53
Council Total	71,890.80	0.00	71,890.80
Total Receipts	71,890.80	0.00	71,890.80
PAYMENTS	Net (£)	Vat (£)	Gross (£)
Council			
1000 Employment	32,524.61	0.00	32,524.61
1005 Employment	2,998.98	17.48	3,016.46
1015 Village Hall hire	332.00	0.00	332.00
1020 Chairman's Allowance	0.00	0.00	0.00
1025 Subscriptions	1,923.00	255.09	2,178.09
1030 Courses, travel etc	262.15	17.00	279.15
1035 Insurance, Audit, Electricity	3,195.35	298.20	3,493.55
1040 Misc	3,385.00	658.20	4,043.20
1045 Herald Printing	6,200.00	0.00	6,200.00
1050 PC Maintenance Contractor	10,555.00	0.00	10,555.00
1055 Grass cutting	590.00	0.00	590.00
1060 Other maintenance	973.66	2.73	976.39
1065 General tree work	0.00	0.00	0.00
1070 Bin emptying	1,710.00	342.00	2,052.00
1075 Handyman	0.00	0.00	0.00
1080 Notice boards - maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00
1085 Play equipment	128.00	25.60	153.60
1090 Lights in CF	1,582.22	79.10	1,661.32
1095 Toilets	8,397.27	276.21	8,673.48
1100 Flood equip maintenance	0.00	0.00	0.00
1105 LFRG expenses	35.00	0.00	35.00
1110 Gulliford cemetery	970.00	0.00	970.00
1115 Burial Ground	0.00	0.00	0.00
1120 YC Maintenance	235.00	47.00	282.00
1125 YC Utilities	1,931.86	96.59	2,028.45
1130 Website etc	165.00	0.00	165.00
1135 Adv Weath	0.00	0.00	0.00
1140 Gully Emptying	0.00	0.00	0.00
1145 Parishes Together	0.00	0.00	0.00
1150 Hub Projects	28,486.09	5,573.00	34,059.09
1155 Cont VH Car Park	0.00	0.00	0.00
1160 DCC / DCF Funding	0.00	0.00	0.00
1165 YC Recharge	0.00	0.00	0.00
1170 Emergency Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
1180 FLOS	0.00	0.00	0.00
2000 S137 Funding	100.00	0.00	100.00

2010 Other Grants	4,501.95	205.86	4,707.81
9999 VAT Payments	0.00	0.00	0.00
Council Total	111,182.14	7,894.06	119,076.20
Total Payments	111,182.14	7,894.06	119,076.20

Closing Balances at 31/01/26

Ordinary Accounts

Current Account	£85,854.62

Short Term Investment Accounts

Savings Account	£130,555.53
Total	£216,410.15

Appendix 4: **Report from District Cllr Jung**

Lympstone 02.03.2026

I do apologise that I yet again have to speak to you on Pollution. Probably you will have seen the Docudrama regarding the Water Industry that was featured on Channel 4 last week or read the reports in the National papers
Sadly, this was too close to home where a holiday maker tragically died due to a probable contamination from sewage at Dawlish Warren. (The coroner's report was not conclusive)
Thankfully there are new sewage holding tanks going in at both Sidmouth and Dawlish, which are specifically designed to hold the extra flows during heavy rain and release this effluent up to the sewage works at controlled rates following the storm.
This is not the case for the Exmouth catchment area which covers from Lympstone to Budleigh.

For this area there is a series of planned works.

1. Increase the capacity of the CSO pipe at Limekiln holding tank, which goes under the Estuary and exiting off Otterton Ledge. This had to be brought forward for the LORP project but has resulted in a larger pipe and seems to have contributed to increased volume of discharges. Budliegh Beach lost its blue flag for this coming year due to concern on the pollution readings.
2. The upgrading of the pump capacity in Exmouth to the whole network including Phear Park and Maer Road pumping stations. The plan is to increase great volume of sewage to the treatment works at Maer Lane. Unfortunately, this is the possible cause to 2 failures to the 50-year-old pipes with major sewage breaches, resulting to new pipes being fitted.
3. To install a larger outfall pipe from the treatment works to off Sandy Bay.

This work is complete but waiting for permit variations by the EA.

4. The final infrastructure investment will be an upgrade and expansion to the Sewage treatment works at Maer Lane which SWW claim will to be completed by 2028.

This will in theory move most of the storm overflows and treated sewage to offshore off Sandy Bay.
So, what of Lympstone.
These are 2 recent replies to 2 planning applications

- Strawberry Hill. Meeting Lane

Following further modelling for this site, SWW can confirm that foul water flows from this development can be accepted to the public network without the need for reinforcement.

- Courtlands Lane

South West Water is able to provide foul sewerage services from the existing public foul or combined sewer in the vicinity of the site. The practical point of connection will be determined by the diameter of the connecting pipework being no larger than the diameter of the company's existing network.

However now we have real time data from the Water Company and would any of you guess the number of times the Lympstone Combined Storm Overflow was used in January this year?
912 spills. With total hours 39 hours 37 mins and 11secs

The holding tank for this CSO was increased just 6 years ago but clearly there is something amiss.
So, what is going on? I and East Devon are being told no need for reinforcement, and South West Water is able to provide sewerage services for these Lympstone developments.

Are SWW right?
That there is no need for a Grampian Orders to delay building or occupation of any dwelling as there is sufficient capacity in the sewage network.
Please answer yes or no!

District Cllr Jung

Appendix 5:

Chairs report – 2nd March 2026

Letter to Lympstone Parish Council

Dear Residents of Lympstone,

We are sorry to inconvenience you, but due to extending a road at the top of Exmouth to the A376 outside your village, you may have some journey disruption.
The closure is until late Dec, I mean late Feb, apologies I mean June.
Please note, you will be stuck in traffic and delayed getting out of the village for up to 10 mins - please start adding this to your journey times.
We have made allowances for emergency vehicles to move to the front of the queue however they too will have to wait and watch 50+ cars travelling past before they continue to their emergency.

During wetter days you may see we've created a brown stream that travels down the A376 into the village via the Brook and into the Exe - this is only on occasion - we think, we hope!

You will also experience night closures; you will get a days' notice. There will be some sort of redirection, please rely on social media for handy short cuts throughout the Parish and giving the chance for Wotton Lane residents to experience living on the side of an A road and develop potholes big enough for ducks to swim in.
On potholes, please feel free to have fun and slalom your way through the single lane at the traffic light where new potholes I mean divets have formed.
Please take care when exiting Lympstone village - you won't have priority, this will be given to those coming from Exter direction who may want to park across the junction to avoid light changes, unfortunately you may have to wait for 3 light changes because of this.

In your village there too will be road closures - pesky utilities! Strawberry Hill first then Burgmanns & then Church Road and then Strawberry Hill again and then - oh so many, I'll have to get back to you. Please note, we won't really put clear signage up for local business or liaise with the bin lorries so good luck all, school runs will be a hoot (mostly from horns).

To end, we're closing the pavement up the A376, please be informed to get us to help you walk in the road or in the evening you can call a taxi to take you from the Saddlers to Courtlands Cross, we think of everything to make things easier.
Enjoy.

I say in jest, however it has caused so many delays for everyone - school runs, clubs, appointments, the list is endless. I think maybe all we want is to be heard - to be seen and have better communication. After all, there is no real benefit for the village from the Dinan Way Extension, is there?

Cllr Lisa Staddon
Chair to Lympstone Parish Council

Appendix 6: **Neighbourhood Plan Update – Cllr Francis**

NP Update to Council March 2nd 2026

If a week is a long time in politics, the last month has been almost a lifetime in that from the previously circulated documents we more or less started again. Actually, the policy principals remain but we hope we have sharpened up the way they are presented, the language used, we've made a separate Design Code Developer's Guide checklist and included more of the greener aspirations that were highlighted from the first public consultation.

All the points that were given to us in first feedback from various groups or individuals have been addressed. Thank you to our mentors Helen Dimond and Ian Statford for their constructive points. Linda Lyon, from the original plan working group, has also come onboard. All their visons and perspectives really make a difference to us and our thinking.

Ed Freeman said the Local Plan needs to be viewed as a whole and I think our efforts need to be viewed as a whole when judging the content, but I appreciate this is difficult as each document is sent out as it is ready or nearly ready, then gets changed again. I guess the 2nd Public Consultation will give a better overall picture of what the Plan is like as a whole and what needs to have further revisions and adaptions.

The purpose of the new Local Plan and therefore our Neighbourhood Plan is to move forward and set standards and limits for the future needs of the population and development that is coming our way. If I'm totally honest it has been quite difficult to balance the environmentalist wishes and more traditional village style and views. We definitely need both, I hope we are getting it right although the old adage of you can't please everybody probably applies to some of the content.

When the original plan was made Year 6 children were interviewed and asked what they wanted their village to be like. We are hoping to contact some of them again now they are adults and find out if the village is as they thought it should be and wanted. Likewise, as the plan is for the future, we are hoping to interview some of today's young people and ask them similar questions for the remade one.

I sent out the all the remade documents we have done so far. We believe they are much improved and follow similar patterns and methodology to our near neighbours' plans. However, even these are changing as we are going to work through our mentors second feedback responses tomorrow. Angela King, has been on leave and off sick so has not been able to look closely as what we've done so far and we won't really be able to tell if we have gone too far or not far enough with some things or need to be more or less generic until she has chance to discuss in depth with us the route we are following.

Cllr Sue Francis