

Milton Damerel Parish Council Minutes

Minutes of Milton Damerel Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 18th July 2025 which commenced at 19:30

Present: Councillors Stephen Moyse (Chair), Richard Piper (V Chair), Edgar Pett, Jim Richardson and Peter Bromley, also present were Julie and Bob Sage and the Clerk Jane Elliott.

1. **Apologies** were received from: Councillor *Teresa Walters*
2. **Declarations of Interest**
 - a) Register of Interest: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests. *None were declared.*
 - b) To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature. *None were declared*
 - c) To declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda and their nature. *None were declared*
3. **Chair's announcements:**
None
4. **Public Comments**
None
5. **The minutes of the Parish Council meeting 18th June 2025** which had been circulated by email, were unanimously approved as a true record of the meeting, they were duly signed by the Chair Councillor Stephen Moyse.
6. **Reports by District and County Councillors.**
None
7. **Matters Arising**
 - 1) Potholes continue to be a problem and need to be reported individually to get patched. There is a link on the Parish Council website
 - 2) Councillor Steve Moyse requested support to maintain the bulbs in the landing site for Devon Air Ambulance.
 - 3) Councillor Peter Bromley asked who was responsible for the grass cutting in Luxton's field
8. **Planning Applications**
1/0510/2025/OUT was received on 18th June. The Parish Council has no objection as long as Torridge Planning considers the impact on the residents living close to the development and their access to the site.
9. **Planning decisions**
1/0393/2025/FUL extension at Chapel Cottage was granted permission.

Planning Appeals
None were received
10. **Financial Matters**
 - a) It was the unanimous decision of the Councillors to approve cheque for:
 - i) Clerk's salary £264.55 ii) Clerk's expenses £18.45 iii) Audit Dr Julia Foster £55
 - b) Financial report to date. Bank Statements are now being delivered to the Clerk, but the name of the Clerk needs to be changed. Clerk produced financial information with the closing balance at 31 03 2025 £6,173.47. Councillors requested this to be sent in advance of the next meeting to avoid multiple printing of the information.
 - c) The following end of year accounts/statements were approved and signed. 1) The Annual Internal Audit 2) The Annual Governance Statement. 3) The Accounting statements 4) The certificate of exemption had been signed at the meeting on the 18th June
11. **Correspondence as below and as available at the time of the meeting**
All correspondence received by email have been forwarded to Councillors. No correspondence was received by post.
12. **Matters brought forward with the permission of the Chairman**

- 1) Councillor Peter Bromley and the Clerk agreed to attend the LG meeting in Holsworthy Market Hall on Wednesday 23rd July
- 2) Councillor Jim Richardson gave an account of the successful June Village Hall BBQ and music event. The Tug of War had been very amusing and he thanked everyone for their support. More events are planned weather permitting. The new heating system in the Village Hall has now been installed.
- 3) Councillor Edgar Pett asked about extra bins for dog excrement; Steve Moyse said you would look into this with TDC
- 4) Councillor Gareth Piper reported areas of knotweed at Five Lanes which County Councillor Lynne Rowsell had said she would be looking into, Clerk to email for progress update.
- 5) Councillor Peter Bromley described the damage to the bus shelter at Holsworthy Beacon and the matter of potholes was raised again.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:30

Signed.....

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