

North Tamerton Parish Council

Monday 21st September 2026

The meeting of North Tamerton Parish Council was held on the above date at 7:30pm, in Victory Hall.

Councillors Present:

Chair Cllr B Harper, Cllr Whitmill, Cllr Channing, Cllr Risdon, Cllr S Harper.

Also in attendance: Clerk Julie Gray and Cllr N Chopak.

2 members of the public were present for the meeting.

Cllr B Harper opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Record and Approve Apologies.

9.26/62:

Cllr Willetts and Cllr Mawtus sent their apologies.

Confirm the Minutes of the previous Meeting.

9.26/63:

It was resolved to approve the minutes and ratify all decisions made at the meeting held on Monday 20th July 2026. 4 in favour. 1 abstained, due to not being present at the previous meeting. The Chair, Cllr B Harper, signed them as a correct record.

Declarations.

9.26/64:

- (i) None.

Dispensations.

9.26/65:

- (i) There were no dispensation requests.

Matters Arising.

9.26/66:

- (i) Payment was made for the Community Benefit Fund applications concerning the Hall roof survey, the Parish Council noticeboard and solar lights, as it was agreed they would be paid upon receipt of invoices.
- (ii) The Register of Interest forms were re-submitted apart from Cllr Whitmore, who sent his previous form directly therefore the Clerk does not have a copy.

Public Participation.

9.26/67:

A member of the public spoke on Agenda 11 requesting that the Community Benefit Fund extend the Hall hire assistance for another year. They also thanked the Parish Council for the hire funding that their organisation had receive in the past 12 months.

Report from Cornwall Councillor.

9.26/68:

The CEO of Cornwall Council is on long term absence and an interim officer has been appointed in her place.

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Cllr Chopak was appointed as a member of the Police and Crime Committee representing Cornwall. Safer Town funding is available but it is given to the most unsafe towns. Cllr Chopak is lobbying to obtain increased funding for Bude next summer, as there is an increase in need during the summer due to visitors. The station that was closed down in Launceston is also the subject of ongoing discussions. North Devon Hospital have closed the maternity unit. ENT and oncology have also been moved elsewhere and the A&E is potentially being removed also. The Community Area Partnership (CAP) meeting on transport was held the other week. The MP for transport, Go Cornwall and Connect Bude were in attendance. School transport was discussed as locally there have been problems with bus passes.

Correspondence.

9.26/69: – all correspondence circulated via email.

- (i) Planning Consultation – Draft Validation Guide.
- (ii) Van Dweller Survey.
- (iii) Dog Control Review.
- (iv) Have Your Say on the Future of Northern Devon.
- (v) Memories to Share.
- (vi) Whole Society Resilience Conference 2026.
- (vii) Hosepipe Ban. **It was unanimously agreed that the hosepipe ban was not handled well.**
- (viii) North Cornwall CAP Meeting Action Notes.
- (ix) Planning Committee Reform.
- (x) CAP Transport Meeting Invite.
- (xi) RCHT Annual Public Meeting & Engagement Fair, 17 September.

Planning.

9.26/70:

a) Decision Notices/Updates:

- (i) PA25/04966 | Change of use of holiday let unit / additional bed and breakfast accommodation to use as either holiday accommodation or as annexed accommodation for members of the family or friends of the occupiers. | The Linhay North Tamerton Holsworthy Cornwall EX22 6SF.
This application was published on the website and the noticeboard. There were no responses from the public. North Tamerton Parish Council did not object to the application.

b) Planning Applications/Appeals:

Any late planning applications received will be discussed but not decided under this section.

- (i) PA26/05789 | Proposed extension / refurbishment and change of use of land to residential curtilage. | The Farmhouse Hollafrench North Tamerton Holsworthy Cornwall EX22 6SF.

This application was received after the agenda was published. The details will be published on the website and on the noticeboard.

- (ii) PA26/06203 | Conversion of agricultural barns to 3 dwellings with associated parking and amenity space. | Barns At Blagdon Manor North Tamerton Holsworthy Cornwall EX22 6RL.

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To receive oral or written reports and authorise any action.

9.26/71:

a) Chairman / Councillor.

- Cllr Risdon reported that the Parish Shoot took place with 4 teams entered. North Tamerton won 1st place, Boyton were 2nd, North Petherwin 3rd and Whitstone 4th.
- There is a meeting at the Parish Hall on 14th October. Tesco have invited farmers to a meeting on sustainable farming.
- The Parish Hall is holding a quiz on 16th October – anyone that can assist would be most welcome.
- Cllr B Harper reported that the noticeboard has the solar lights fitted and thanked Cllr Mawtus for his technical know-how and his efforts in researching and fitting the lights. Cllr B Harper will investigate markers for the noticeboard, as the ones that are being used are not suitable.
- The defibrillator has been registered with the SW Ambulance service on the circuit therefore it is now back on the system for emergency services. Cllr B Harper thanked Cllr Mawtus for organising this.
- The SSE supply to the telephone box has been resolved. Cllr Harper thanked the Clerk for her efforts in resolving the issue.

b) The Clerk.

- On Wednesday 23 September, 4.00-5.30 pm there is an online briefing on planning changes and a policy update. Cllr S Harper will join the meeting if able.
- DripDrip Tamar have offered to give a short presentation about the work they are undertaking to help improve and protect the water quality of the River Tamar. They have offered a free 25-minute presentation, followed by an opportunity for questions and discussion. They would explain what is currently happening to the water quality of the River Tamar; the main sources of pollution affecting the river and how they can hold polluters to account. The Councillors unanimously agreed to this.
- Cornwall Council have launched a 'Let's Talk about Cornwall' Survey to ask people in Cornwall for their views and opinions. The survey invites feedback on the impact of the increase in the cost of living, satisfaction with the local area as a place to live and on the Council services and activities that residents want them to focus on. The survey should take no longer than 10 minutes to complete and is open until Sunday 1 November.

Community Benefit Fund Review.

9.26/72:

Last year it was resolved that any organisation within the village that puts on an open event for the benefit of the community can apply for the Parish Hall fee to be refunded after the event, as long as the event has been advertised to the community. It was unanimously agreed to continue this for another 12 months, backdated to 1st September 2026.

It was agreed to request the Tamerton Times ask the public for any ideas on what to do with the telephone box.

It was unanimously agreed to pay for the hall hire for defibrillator training and to supply refreshments during this. Cllr Whitmill will arrange this.

Fly-Tipping.

9.26/73:

Cornwall Council is developing a new campaign focused on reducing fly-tipping across Cornwall. Feedback was supplied to Cllr Chopak. Cllr Chopak informed the Council that some recycling centres limit what items

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can be recycled but any recycling items can be taken to the Launceston Recycling Centre.
Cllr Chopak also reminded all that if anyone sees fly tipping refuse, they can use the 'Report It' website page.

Tree Guards.

9.26/74:

Cllr S Harper has requested pricing of the tree guards but these have not been received yet. Cllr S Harper will circulate these when received.

Solar Lights Update.

9.26/75:

This was addressed in the Chairman's Report.

Defibrillator Update.

9.26/76:

This was addressed in the Chairman's Report.

SSE Update.

9.26/77:

This was addressed in the Chairman's Report.

Quarterly Finance Check: April – June 2026.

9.26/78:

Cllr Willetts completed the financial check. There were no concerns.

Emergency Plan.

9.26/79:

Cornwall Council require there to be a Risk Assessment carried out for the Hall and whether they will be able to have access to them in the event of the building being used during an emergency. Cllr Risdon will enquire whether there is one and who Cornwall Council can obtain this from.

Community Transport Poll.

9.26/80:

The CAP requested Councils complete a transport poll. The purpose of the poll is to improve the understanding of community transport provision across the North Cornwall CAP area.
The Parish Council went through the poll. The Clerk will submit this.

Finance & Legislation.

9.26/81:

- a) Ratification of payments totalling £815.64 as per the September - October schedule. It was unanimously resolved to ratify the payments.
- b) To note Bank reconciliations at 1/09/26 of £6,529.27 and £31,564.26.
- c) To note Income & Bank Balances as per the schedule and reconciliations.

To receive comments and ideas on parish matters not on the agenda and urgent matters at the discretion of the Chairman for noting only or any items for further discussion at the next available meeting.

9.26/82:

Cllr Chopak received a 5-day protocol letter Friday concerning EN26/00526 | Alleged breach of condition 2

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of PA23/07493 relating to installation of treatment plant in place of approved cesspool. | North Tamerton Methodist Chapel, North Tamerton, Holsworthy, Cornwall, EX22 6RZ.

It was determined by the Planning Officer that there was a breach of planning control but this did not cause harm therefore it was not expedient or in the public interest to pursue.

****Cllrs B & S Harper left the room****

It was agreed, 2 in favour and 1 against, to not request any further action in this matter relating to Planning.

If it is found to cause pollution etc a report to the Environmental Agency is recommended.

****Cllrs B & S Harper returned to the meeting****

Date of next meeting.

9.26/83:

16th November 2026 @ 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 21.05pm

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) Act 1960 S1(2) & S1(6)

During the meeting it may arise that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential or special nature of the business to be transacted and the press and public will be instructed to withdraw.

When this arises, the Chair will recommend to consider passing the following resolution: "to resolve that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business to be discussed, the public are excluded and instructed to withdraw."

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