



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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You are hereby invited to attend a **Meeting of Willand Parish Council**, which will be held on **Thursday 11th September 2025 at 7.00 pm, in the Club Room at Willand Village Hall, Gables Rd, Willand.**

Members of the public are advised to submit questions to the Parish Clerk prior to the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting is to transact the following business.

Debbie Bird

Parish Clerk

3 September 2025

Please note that: -

- Members of the Press & Public are invited to attend under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.
- Under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, any members of the public or press are allowed to take photographs, film and audio record the proceedings and report on all public sections of the meeting.
- Under the Local Government Act (LGA) 1972 Sch 12 10(2)(b), Willand Parish Council is unable to make any decision on matters not listed within the agenda.
- Willand Parish Council will always attempt to record meetings.

AGENDA

- 1. To receive any apologies from Councillors and record approval of reasons for absence.**
(please make any apologies known to the Parish Clerk)
- 2. Declarations of Interest - To receive declarations of personal interest and disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI's) in respect of items on this agenda.**
- 3. Public Question Time - To receive questions from members of the public relevant to the work of the council.** (A maximum of 30 minutes is allowed for this item; verbal questions should not exceed 3 minutes)

4. **Order of Business - At the discretion of the Chairman, to adjust, as necessary, the order of agenda items to accommodate visiting members, officers or members of the public.**
5. **Parish Council Minutes - To approve and sign the minutes of the Willand Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 10th July 2025, as a correct record.**
6. **Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements - To receive any announcements which the Chairman and Clerk may wish to make. (For information only)**
7. **To receive reports from County and District Councillors. (For information only)**
8. **Accounts Due for Payment and Receipts to include:**
 - a) **To examine and agree the Summary of Receipts and Payments for 2025-2026, up to 31st August 2025, and to receive the bank reconciliation.**
 - b) **To authorise payment of invoices listed in table A of the payments list and to minute ratification of additional payments made since the previous meeting as listed in table B.**
 - c) **To note the Reserves Balance Report for 2025-2026, up to 31st August 2025.**
 - d) **To note the External Auditor's Report & Certificate for 2024/25.**
9. **To review the Emergency Plan and make any necessary amendments.**
10. **To review the Village Planters and consider the purchase of plants for the Winter.**
11. **To consider and decide on timing and format for the 2026 Annual Parish Meeting.**
(Councillors to come with ideas and suggestions as agreed at the July meeting)
12. **To consider whether to continue with weed spraying kerbs and pavements from 2026.** (Clerk to provide a verbal update following discussion with County Councillor)
13. **Tree Management** (Clerk to circulate report and supporting papers):
 - a) **To approve & adopt a Tree Management Policy.**
 - b) **To approve assessment of the trees at Jubilee Field, Orchard Way and the Cemetery at a cost of £989 plus VAT.**
14. **To consider a proposal from Cllr James to dedicate either a bench or newly planted tree to the coronation of King Charles III.** (Paper to be circulated with agenda)
15. **To consider a quote for the supply and erection of two good quality oak "rustic" memorial posts with rounded tops for either side of the scattering of ashes area.**
16. **To consider a proposal from the Chair to make a formal written complaint to the Chief Constable, copying in the Police & Crime Commissioner, regarding the way in which recent incidents of criminal damage and anti-social behaviour at the Jubilee Field have been dealt with by the Police.** (Paper to be circulated with agenda)

17. Somerlea:

- a) To receive a verbal update on the Somerlea Modular Housing (Zed Pods) Development.
- b) To consider a formal approach to Mid Devon District Council through the Ward Councillors for the provision of additional parking spaces on the verges at Somerlea to address parking issues on the estate further exacerbated by the new development. (Paper to be circulated with agenda)

18. To agree two attendees for the State of the District Debate taking place on Wednesday 17th September 2025 at Mid Devon District Council's Offices at Phoenix House Tiverton, starting at 5.30 p.m.

19. To consider making a financial contribution to Mid Devon Mobility.

20. Mid Devon District Council – Planning Applications [MDDC Planning Public Access Portal](#)

Mid Devon District Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from this Parish Council on the following planning applications:

- a) Reference: 25/01183/HOUSE
Proposal: Erection of single storey extension
Location: 12 Elmside Willand Cullompton EX15 2RN
- b) Reference: 25/01209/HOUSE
Proposal: Erection of first floor side extension
Location: 6 Pear Drive Willand Cullompton EX15 2QS

To **Minute Ratification** of the following planning application submissions agreed since the last Full Council meeting:

- i. To offer no observations and to support the views and recommendations of the Mid Devon District Council Tree Officer on application number 25/00971/CAT, notification of intention to remove 2 Leylandii trees within a conservation area at Little Knowle Willand Old Village EX15 2RW.
- ii. To support the views and recommendations of the Mid Devon District Council Tree Officer on application number 25/01082/TPO, application to sectional fell an English Oak Tree (T1) within 6 months and remove dead wood from an English Oak Tree (T2) within 3 months, protected by Tree Preservation Order 97/00008/TPO, land adj. to Pearmain Close and Blenheim Court North Jaycroft Willand.
- iii. To offer no observations on application number 25/00874/FULL, erection of retaining wall and extension to car parking area Land at NGR 303514 111479 South View Estate Willand.

21. Mid Devon District Council – Planning Decisions

To note Mid Devon District Council, the determining Authority, has made the following planning decisions.

Reference: 25/00737/HOUSE
Proposal: Erection of garden room
Location: 24 Park Street Willand Cullompton Devon
DECISION: Permission Granted

Reference: 25/00728/CLP
Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory under Part 1 Class A (Permitted Development)
Location: 19 Victoria Close Willand Cullompton Devon
DECISION: Certificate of Lawful Use Granted

Reference: 25/00672/LBC
Proposal: Listed Building Consent for installation of new storage heaters using existing switches/sockets
Location: Thatch Cottage Silver Street Willand Cullompton Devon
DECISION: Listed Building Consent Granted

Reference: 25/00786/HOUSE
Proposal: Retention of solar panels to roof of outbuilding
Location: Thatch Cottage Silver Street Willand Cullompton Devon
DECISION: Permission Granted

22. Councillor Reports – At the discretion of the Chairman, to receive reports from Parish Councillors – strictly for information only.

23. Close