STARCROSS PARISH COUNCIL

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Councillors are summoned to a Meeting of Starcross Parish Council
to be held in Starcross Pavilion on **Tuesday 10 March 2026 at 7.30pm.**

County Councillor Connett, District Councillor Taylor & Community Police Officers are also invited.

Members of the press and public are welcome.

Signed: S Hughes (Clerk) Dated: 4 March 2026

RESIDENTS' QUESTION TIME

Residents are invited to make representations to the Council or to ask questions.

AGENDA

100326.01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
To receive apologies for absence

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100326.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION
Members are reminded of their responsibility to continually update their Notice of Registerable Interests and invited to state whether they have any interest in the items to be discussed during this meeting in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct. Unforeseen requests for a Dispensation to be considered at this point only if there was no way a member would have been aware of such before the meeting.

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100326.03 RATIFICATION OF MINUTES
To approve, sign and adopt the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 February 2026

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100326.04 CRIME REPORT
To receive either a written or verbal report by Devon and Cornwall Police representative

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100326.05 COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

To receive reports from County Cllr Connett and District Cllr Taylor

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100326.06 FINANCE & GOVERNANCE
(Cllrs Hopper, Chase, Phillips, Rastall & Coupe)

6.1 To receive the clerk's financial report and approve list of payments

6.2 Data and Digital Compliance update (Assertion 10 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return)
- To adopt an IT policy which incorporates a 'Bring Your Own Device' policy
- To adopt a Data Protection Policy which incorporates a Data Retention Schedule
- To receive and note the data audit

(Item deferred from last month)

6.3 Proposal: To accept the annual insurance quotation from Hiscox for 1 April 2026 – 31 March 2027. Details to be circulated.

6.4 Proposal: To agree the allocation of section 137 grants for 2026/27 (applications circulated to Councillors)
Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: tbc

ACTION: Clerk to notify applicants of outcome
FUNDING: Precept

6.5 Proposal: To approve the current plan as outlined in the CORNER BUSINESS PLAN of February 2026 and to allocate £ 20,000 from Parish Council Reserves and CIL Payments to support funding applications. This Resolution to be reviewed at the December 2026 Parish Council Meeting.
Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: Cllr Coupe

ACTION: Clerk to Ring Fence funds
FUNDING: Reserves and CIL

6.6 Proposal: To fund from Reserves the sum of £ 1389.00 + VAT for the cleaning and restoration of the Starcross War Memorial on The Strand.

1. *The RBL Club is not registered for VAT. We will act as the buyer which will enable us to claim back the VAT portion of the invoice and the project will be entirely financed from SPC Reserve funds.*

2. *That the PC issue the PO to Orchard Memorial for the **maximum sum of £ 1389.00 + VAT** as their quotation OM01472 of 16th February 2026*
3. *The RBL acts as the communication channel with the supplier.*
4. *That this agreement by the Parish Council does not constitute any acceptance of ownership or any future responsibility for maintenance of the memorial.*

Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: Cllr Chase

ACTION: Cllr Hopper to liaise with RBL Mary Poole to arrange issue of a PO
FUNDING: From Reserves

6.7 Proposal: Local Government Reform submission (www.devonlgr.co.uk)

To agree support for Plan 1 - DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL

To agree support for Plan 2 - DISTRICT COUNCILS MAIN

To agree support for Plan3 - DISTRICT COUNCILS MODIFIED

To agree support for Plan 4 - PLYMOUTH & EXETER

To agree support for Plan 5 - TORBAY COUNCIL

Abstentions <u>from the whole process</u> must be made before ANY voting which reduces the count of members (i.e a majority). The Plan with the largest vote wins. A majority vote ends the procedure. <u>Notes to follow.</u>

Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: Cllr Chase

ACTION: Cllr Hopper to submit decision.

6.8 Committee Chair & Action Report

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100326.07 PLANNING
(Cllrs Pegg, Cadbury & McNally)

<u>Whole Council to Debate</u>

7.1 **New applications/appeals**
7.1.1 26/00116/HOU – Rothesay, The Strand, Starcross
Construction of boundary raised planters

7.2 **Decisions**:
7.2.1 26/00220/CLDP – 22 Hamilton Grove, Starcross
Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed single storey rear extension

To note that TDC has certified that the proposed works are lawful

7.2.2 26/000035/AGR – Higher Cofford, Kenton
Creation of three hardcore cow tracks to improve grazing access and cow welfare

To note that TDC has determined that Prior Approval is required

7.3 Committee Chair & Action Report

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100326.08 PAVILION, SPORTS FIELD & BOATPARK
(Cllrs Rastall, Hopper & Pegg)

8.1 Proposal: To reimburse Cllr Hopper a total of £43.34 for items purchased for the Pavilion and Cafe
Proposer: Cllr Rastall Seconder: tbc

ACTION: Clerk to refund

8.2 Proposal: To permit the Pavilion Committee to purchase stock for the Shanty Festival on the 21 March in order to provide refreshments. Records and invoices to be provided.
Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: Cllr Rastall

FUNDING: Shanty

8.3 Proposal: To purchase 10 additional chairs (black) for Pavilion from Eracco @ £9.16 each + freight charge £10.19
Proposer: Cllr Hopper; Seconder: Cllr Rastall

ACTION: Cllr Hopper to order
FUNDING: Pavilion Maintenance

8.4 Committee Chair & Action Report
Cllr Rastall to update members on the Shanty Festival and Fire test instructions/risk assessment

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100326.09 PARKS & GARDENS
(Cllrs Chase, Lovell & Allen)

9.1 Committee Chair & Action Report

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100326.10 WORKING PARTIES, EXTERNAL PROJECTS & NON-COMMITTEE ITEMS
(Updates and Action Reports)

10.1 Traffic & Speedwatch (Cllr McNally)

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100326.11 RESIDENTS' CORRESPONDENCE

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100326.12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING
To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting as Tuesday 14 April 2026

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Note: Where a document or paper is referred to on the Agenda, this document will be available on request from the Clerk by emailing starcrosspcclerk@gmail.com