



Bratton Clovelly Parish Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting no.242 Held at 7:30pm on Wednesday 11th March 2026 in the School Room

Present: BCPCllrs: P Gilbert T Jones, C Braidwood, W Jellyman, K Huggins. WDBCllr T Southcott DCCllr J Grainger

No members of the public.

Chairman reminded participants that this meeting may be recorded.

Public Participation: Some time was spent discussing with DCCllr Grainger about Drains and ditches, potholes and signposts.

1. **Apologies:** WDBCllr Mott sent her apologies.

2. **Declaration of Interest:**

2.1.1. Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to keep their register of interests up to date.

2.1.2. To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature. *None*

2.1.3. To declare any pecuniary interests in items on the agenda and their nature, (Councillors with pecuniary interests must leave the room for the relevant items). *None*

3. **Planning:**

3.1. Applications to consider: *none*

3.2. Housing drop in event – update Cllr Jones informed the meeting that this was in progress.

4. **Agree and sign minutes:** - from the Parish Council Meeting 241 held on 11/02/25 *Agreed*

5. **Report from WDBC:** (Cllr Mott/Southcott) sent via email: Budget settled at 2.99% increase; waiting to hear from central govt on the council reorganisation.

6. **Clean up day April 25th 9-12:30:** Date agreed, black bag collection and school room booked.

7. **Councillor vacancies:** No interest currently. Cllr Jellyman will repost on the Hub

8. **Finance:**

8.1. Receive up-to-date report on finances from RFO (Clerk) *Agreed*

8.2. To note the payments listed:

BCPH mower maintenance 24-25 £300

Clerk's salary and HMRC Payments –£347.00 for 4th Feb 2026 to 3rd March 2026 *Noted*

9. **P3:** update (Cllr Braidwood) footpaths need to be walked as soon as it is dry enough. Signs need to be put up, No paperwork re survey/budget from DCC.

10. **IT policy and Retention Policy:** The PC considered an IT and retention policy to enable compliance with assertion 10 of the annual audit. Both policies have been *approved*. IT policy needs to have section 2.2 state that anti virus software is recommended.
11. **New PC :** *none*
12. **Snow warden:** salt bins are now filled.
13. **Insurance claim up date** Cllr Gilbert Work started on 09/03/26 and will take 5-6 weeks. There was a discussion about further works for other damaged parts of the railings. Cllrs agreed that there would be benefit from investigating a favourable offer from the contractor to quote for this work. Cllr Glibert will ask the insurance company to replace the dog bin rather than give us the money for it. The PC thanked Cllr Gilbert for his efforts in regards to this insurance claim.
14. **Playground:** There was a discussion about the history and background to the playground and how the PC became involved. It was agreed that there should be a public meeting to discuss the future of the playground. If the parish would like to replace the equipment there will need to be a parishioner led working group / subcommittee. The public meeting will be held as part of the Annual Parish Meeting on 13th May to discuss further. The agenda will be drawn up at our next meeting in April.
15. **Police liaison:** (Cllr Huggins) None
16. **Roads and ditches:** (Cllr Huggins) None
17. **PHMC Report:** (Cllr Gilbert) Plant sale will be much reduced and will take place on 06/06/26. The flower and produce show will take place on 01/08/26
18. **Items for next agenda:** Parish meeting
19. **Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 08/04/2026 7:30pm in the School Room

Meeting closed at 20:55