MINUTES OF A MEETING OF LANDKEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 7th OCTOBER 2026 AT 7.00 p.m.

Present: - Councillor Hommell (Chair)
Councillors Consterdine, Davies, Dymond, Halliday, Lane, Prowse and Warwick

NDC Councillors Haworth-Booth and Lane

M Isaac (Clerk)

In Attendance: Parishioner/Members of the Public – None

125. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from DCC Councillor Tyldesley.

126. MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd September 2026 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

127. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD WHICH IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIR SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY

The following issues were raised:

a) Resignation. The Clerk reported that due to work commitments Louis Conchie had resigned from the Council and that the formal notice of the vacancy would be advertised.

b) Landkey Hedgehog Group. The Clerk reported the receipt of an email from the group regarding the placement of new hedgehog discs on the fence coming down from Harford Way and on the fence along the path from the allotments.

It was noted that both areas were the responsibility of the Devonshire Home Management Committee.

c) Generator Battery. The Clerk reported that the Council's generator currently stored in the Landkey Football Club changing rooms required a new battery.

It was agreed that a new battery and triple charger be purchased via Christian De la Cour.

Councillor Hommell declared an interest as her son was the Secretary to the football club.

d) Landkey School – Use of Old School Centre in an emergency

The Council considered a request from Landkey School to use the Old School Centre in an emergency that required the school to be evacuated.
It was agreed that the School could use the building in an emergency and that a copy of the Schools emergency/evacuation policy be sent to the Parish Council. This would be on

a short term a basis as the Old School Centre would be sold in the next few years as part of the new Mazzard Hall project. The school was encouraged to investigate other alternatives for the future.

e) Remembrance Wreath
It was agreed that Councillor Hommell lay the remembrance wreath on behalf of the Parish Council with Councillor Consterdine as substitute.

Councillor Halliday agreed to clean the War Memorial in advance of Remembrance Day.

128. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest announced.

129. PUBLIC SESSION

There were no issues raised by Parishioners.

130. NEWSLETTER – INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW EDITOR

Unfortunately due to illness David Kallow the new Newsletter Editor was unable to attend the meeting.

131. DCC COUNCILLOR REPORT

The Council noted the report (previously circulated) from DCC Councillor Tyldesley.

132. NDC COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

NDC Councillor Haworth-Booth reported the following issues:

- That a Community Speed Watch group session had been held along Blakeshill Road and Mazzard Close and there were no results of speeding. He had, however received reports from residents of speeding along the Landkey Road from Mount Sandford during the evening and he had raised the concerns through the Anti-social Behaviour liaison group who had agreed to raise with the Traffic Police.
- That District Councillors had received training on the Governments new National Planning Policy Framework.

NDC Councillor Lane had no further issues to report.

133. LANDKEY MAZZARD COMMUNITY HALL TRUST WORKING GROUP – UPDATE

Councillor Halliday reported that the group had met in September and would meet again later in October.
The focus of the group was now on fund raising and had engaged Lucy Connnell a local resident and a professional fund raiser in the charity sector.
The group through himself and Martyn had submitted an application to HMRC for gift aid registration and the Architect had sent out invitations to prospective contractors for a firm build cost estimate for receipt by January 2027.

Confirmation on the lease was imminent and ready for signatures.

134 .GOV.DOMAIN WEBSITE ADDRESS AND PARISH CLERK E MAIL ADDRESS.

The Council considered and noted a report from Charles Waldron. The Clerk reported that in light of the report Parish Online that supported a large majority of Town and Parish Councils could enable us to keep the existing website and take up their domain and email package at £260 ex VAT. This would include pointing our website to the gov.uk domain. We could then continue to pay for our website hosting with our current provider but would need to ensure that this met the gov.uk and WCAG requirements.

It was agreed:

a) That the Clerk progress the package with Parish Online.
b) Seek a quote from Seth Conway to provide a new Parish Council website.
c) That Charles Waldron be thanked for his report.

135. HANDYPERSON

The Clerk reported that 4 people had expressed an interest in the Handyman role.

It was agreed that the terms of the role would require:
7/8 hours per month on an ad hoc basis
Flexibility
Person to provide proof of Public Liability Insurance
Person to have own vehicle and equipment
Hourly Rate to be agreed

The majority of the work would be grounds maintenance and occasional extra work.

It was agreed that the Clerk be delegated authority with the Chair to interview and agree an appointment.

136. POLICE

There were no issues reported.

137. HIGHWAY MATTERS

There were no issues reported.

138. PLAYING FIELDS

The Council consideration an E Mail from resident and quote regarding provision of gates to the Tanners Road Play area.
The Clerk reported a quote from TK Play to provide two gates of £4,704.00.

It was agreed to defer consideration of the matter to the next Council meeting for further information.

139. MILLENNIUM GREEN

There were no issues raised.

140. OLD SCHOOL CENTRE

There were no issues raised.

141. PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER

There were no issues raised.

142. SOCIAL MEDIA

There were no issues raised.

143. GENERAL MAINTENANCE

It was agreed that Alan Coleman be requested to cut the grass and weeds in the Tanners Road play area.

144. FINANCE MATTERS

a) Payments

RESOLVED:

That the following payments be approved:

M. Isaac - Expenses + Add. Hours (Landkey Mazzard Hall)	£82.64
HMRC Income Tax Payment – Clerk/Caretaker Salary	£288.62
Royal British Legion – Remembrance Wreath	£50.00

(b) The current financial position as at 25 August 2026 - Current A/C £26,041.04 and - Business Reserve 10 August 2026 £24,031.58 was noted.

145. PLANNING MATTERS

The Council noted a report by the Chair of the Planning Committee on applications considered prior to the Parish Council meeting.

146. CORRESPONDENCE

There was correspondence to report.

147. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

There were no issues raised

148. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next Parish Council meeting would be on Wednesday 4th November 2026 @ 7.00 p.m.

Chairman the meeting ended at 8.14 p.m.