

## EAST PORTLEMOUTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Minutes of the meetings held in the Village Hall on  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026 at 7.00pm

**Present:** Councillors Nichola Craven (NC), Tim Fisher (TF), Judith Hilditch (JH), Ann Jones (AJ, Vice Chair), John Miller (JM, Chair), John Taylor (JT) and Lulu Stacey (Parish Clerk)

**Members of the public:** Three members of the public attended.

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**656. Open Forum** – John Taylor in his role as proprietor of The Old Stable attended with business partner Lewis Glanville (LG) to discuss the forthcoming license for the sale of alcohol to be drunk on the premises at The Old Stable. Concerns and questions raised by Cllrs and answered by JT.

**657. District & County Councillor reports** – None, Apologies sent by JB

**658. Apologies** – Robin Piggott (RP), Julian Brazil (JB, DCC)

**659. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025** were approved.

**660. Declarations of interest** – JT – The Old Stable license application.

**661. Planning & planning matters – For consideration: 3769/25/CLE** Waypark – no comment.

**To Note: 3246/25/CLP** Treetops – Refused.

**662. Chair's report** – Salcombe Harbour Authority were informed of sharp metal girders exposed on Mill Bay. Natural causes have caused them to be covered with sand again. JM has emailed JB requesting follow up on the closure of fisherman's bridleway.

Broken railings leading to Gara Rock beach have been reported to DCC.

#### **663. Matters for Discussion**

- a) Flooding and drainage clearance – Recent rainwater has overwhelmed new soakaway at Village farm. Solution required; discussions continue regarding options. Gary Farleigh has cleared buddles. Rickham cross flooding also needs drainage into fields.
- b) Tree Preservation orders – TPO at Waypark confirmed
- c) Village Tennis Court – nothing to report
- d) The Old Stable alcohol license – JT and LG left the room during discussion. Proposed application shows significant difference to previous applications. Suggest alcohol sales close at 8pm, no amplified music and request license only granted for 12 months initially. Feedback given to JT and LG.

#### **664. Councillors' areas of special responsibility**

- Foreshore owners' liaison (NC) – Urgent action required to deal with increased population of Pacific Oysters at Port Waterhouse, Crossways and Goodshelter creek. To contact Nigel Mortimer, Estuaries Officer, SDNL re control.
- Footpaths & hedgerows (JH) – 3 Thorn trees noted to have died on footpath to Case de Sole.
- Highways (JT) – Potholes are reappearing around parish. Cllrs to report on DCC website.
- Dog matters (RP) – None
- Parking (JM) – None
- Trees (TF) – Details of forthcoming events shared by TF, circulated via email by LS.

#### **665. Finance**

- a) Payments of £90 to L Stacey; £250 Gary Farleigh
- b) Cash at bank before payments above noted as £25,705.84

#### **666. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 at 7pm**

Signed:.....

Chairman