

LYNTON AND LYNMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ESTATES AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD IN LYNTON TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 7.00PM

Present: **Councillors**
 A Rodway (Chair)
 L Wakeham (Deputy Chair)
 A Hobbs
 T Manning
 B Peacock
Absent: L Logan
Officers: Town Clerk, Town Council Secretary

111/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Hawkins and Richards.

112/25 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present

113/25 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were none.

114/25 MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That minutes of Estates & Amenities Committee Meeting held on 9 July 2025, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

115/25 MATTERS UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Planning

62/41/25/007 – The Pavillion, Esplanade, Lynmouth

Application made under Regulation 3 of the Town & Country Planning General Regulations 1992 for the proposed erection of extract unit and vertical flue on rear elevation. It was

RESOLVED

To have no objection to the application.

116/25 MATTERS FOR RECOMMENDATION

a. Current Works Schedule

Committee ratified prioritisation of works and associated costs with one addition for repairs to be made to gravestones damaged when the tree fell on them.

RECOMMENDED

Adoption

b. Knotweed Control

Town Clerk updated committee about the knotweed issues in the Parish. It seems the electrical 'zapping' is not doing the job, and a Parracombe community group have offered to deal with it by the use of pesticides. After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

To thank the Parracombe community group for their offer, however the Council workforce will deal with the knotweed as they have completed proper training and are certificated to deal correctly with pesticides.

c. Bottom Meadow Toilets

In response to a query on how to stop the toilet doors being propped open to allow multi-use of the toilets, Healthmatic have submitted a price and operation details for the 'door open' alarms. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

To thank them for their information, but committee felt that the cost of the system would not be covered by any possible lost revenue.

d. Multi Bulb Planting by machine – Wildflower Meadow

Committee were sent the proposal for multi bulb planting, designed to give impact and aid biodiversity in the wildflower meadow and Manor Green. They decided to defer this item to Full Council for further debate.

e. Football Club Request

A pre-Covid request regarding advertising boards on the front of the shelter (Holman Park), as per minute number 083/19 has come back to committee as the Football club would like to go ahead with this. It was

RECOMMENDED

To agree with this request.

f. Grattons Allotment Perimeter Fence Weed Suppression

A proposal has been sent to council by an allotment holder to suppress the weeds that are close to the fence, (to save any strimming which is damaging the chicken wire), by a cardboard layer followed by a woodchip layer. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

To thank the plot holder for his proposal, but Council have other ways to address the issue of broken chicken wire fence.

g. Budget Proposals 2026

Committee chair asked Members for any budget proposals, for sign off in December. The months prior, ball park figures will need to be submitted for projects in 2026/27.

h. Lower Valley of Rocks Car Park

Due to cars repeatedly being blocked in, causing car park wardens problems, the CEO has submitted a plan to alleviate this issue, which will reduce complaints and non-enforcable issues. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

To agree to this proposal and the workforce will remove one post and two rails in the Lower Valley of Rocks Car Park.

117/25 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

a. 62/41/25/009DC – Lynton New Cemetery

Discharge of condition 3 (HMMP) of approved application 62/41/25/004 has gone out to consultation.

b. Planning Decisions

WTCA 25/14 – 31 Lee Road, Lynton

Works to a tree in a conservation area: To fell 1 no. Eucalyptus T1

APPLICATION APPROVED

The meeting closed at 8pm.

Chairman