LYNTON AND LYNMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ESTATES AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD IN LYNTON TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 7.00PM

Present: **Councillors**

L Logan (Chair)
T Manning (Deputy Chair)
A Hobbs
J Patrinos
B Peacock
S Richards
A Rodway

Not on Committee: V Pugsley

Officers: Town Clerk and Town Council Secretary

109/26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Wakeham

110/26 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

111/26 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Councillor Logan declared an interest in item 6d Public Toilets.

112/26 MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That minutes of Estates & Amenities Committee Meeting held on 8 July 2026, be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

113/26 MATTERS UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Planning

Councillor Patrinos reminded Members that as in all planning matters, when he obtains additional information on applications when attending Exmoor National Park Planning Committee this may necessitate him changing his views

EXM/26/181/HH – 2 Costain Villas, Park Street, Lynton

Demolition of uPVC conservatory to the rear of the property and construction of a rear and side blockwork extension with slate roofing and hanging slates on gable end. uPVC timber-effect windows and doors to match existing and the installation of solar panels. It was **RESOLVED** to have **No Objection** to the application.

EXM/26/190/TCA – Ladywell, Lee Road, Lynton

Works to trees in a conservation area: To re;move 1 no,. Conifer (T1), to prune 1 no. Holly (T2) to approx. 4 metres, to prune 1 no. Conifer (T3) to approxc 4 metres and to prune 1 no. Holly (T4) to approx. 2.5 metres. It was
RESOLVED to have **No Objection** to the application, subject to the Tree Officers satisfaction.

114/26 MATTERS FOR RECOMMENDATION

a. Current Works Schedule

Committee ratified prioritisation of works and associated costs.
There was further discussion on:

- Ivy overgrowth at the back of Town Hall and allotments main path, both these issues will be added to the job schedule.

Other items raised:

- Harbour Wall
- Bracken in Valley of Rocks

b. **Winter maintenance for Lynmouth Putting Green and Servicing of Machinery**

Two quotations have been received from the contractor who renovated the Putting Green ready for opening in April 2026. One is for winter maintenance of the green, so that it stays in a good condition, unlike last year. The other quote is for the regular maintenance of the Council machinery, so that it all stays in top form for the workforce to look after the greens during the season. The costings will be discussed in part 2. It was

RECOMMENDED

To adopt the Greens an Machines maintenance as laid out.

c. Sea Sauna

An update from the Sea Sauna group has been received. They opened for customers on 12 August and they sent their thanks to Council. Committee discussed whether to charge a pitch rent, and to make sure that Health and Safety Regulations are being adhered to. It was

RECOMMENDED

As long as the funds are being used by Lynseals for the purpose they have previously stated, Council are happy for them to continue with their endeavours. Council will request an annual review of the accounts, and should there be a profit, a donation to Council would be welcomed. This decision will be subject to an annual review.

d. Public Toilets

Town Clerk distributed toilet revenue information to committee members for their information and to assist in the decision process for deciding which toilets would be open through the winter season. It was

RECOMMENDED

Memorial Hall toilets will stay open during winter months. Lower Lyndale, Bottom Meadow and Town Hall disabled units will stay open during winter months, 1 November to the Friday before February half term.

e. Budget 2027-28

In line with Standing Orders, Town Clerk reminded Chair of Estates to work on his budget requirements which will be an agenda item at the October meeting.

f. Manor House Update

Town Clerk informed Committee that he had spoken to the tenant of Manor House who informed Town Clerk the Agent suggested going to auction, however as it was a decision of Council for the lease to be sold, this will not happen in any circumstances. Further discussion will happen in part 2.

115/26 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

c. Planning Decisions:

EXM/26/081/FULL – The Homestead, Ilkerton, Lynton

Proposed single erection of mixed agricultural and equestrian use building
APPLICATION APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

d. North Devon Council consultation on renewal of Dogs Public Spaces Protection Order

An eight week consultation opened on 5 August 202 .and will close on 30 September 2026. Details can be found on North Devon Council's website.

The meeting closed after part 2 at 8.30 pm. Chairman