PARISH COUNCIL OF CRESSWELL

Chair: Cllr C Tyrie
Clerk: B Watson

Minutes of Meeting
15th July 2026

Minutes

1	**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr Liz Dunn
2	**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** To receive any declarations of interest which a member has in matters included on the agenda, which others might reasonably consider would influence his or her actions: N/A
3	**PUBLIC QUESTIONS:** This is the point at which members of the public who have previously arranged to ask a question can do so. ● A member of the public rang Cllr Burn personally with regards to concerns about camping and an open fire next to the boatyard. Cllr Burn made a police report was made (no crime number given).
4	**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:** ● To approve as a correct record and authorise the signing of the minutes of the previous parish council meeting held on 20th May 2026: Approved.
5	**MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES (UNLESS SEPARATELY ON AGENDA):**
5.1	● Policy Updates - Dignity at work & Biodiversity Policies + Action Plan. Both policies were reviewed and approved. Updates every 5 years unless required sooner.
5.2	● Dunes Ownership - no response from letter sent - clerk to chase again following meeting.
5.3	● Azko Nobel painting support Update - all going ahead. Rails being painted King Charles Blue with 2 teams working between September and October. Replacement of urinal to be completed prior to next meeting.
5.4	● Tree Preservation Order Update - still in the process of being completed.
5.5	● PSPO update - now adopted on 29.6.26. There has been no response

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	regarding concerns from Cresswell parish council. All incidents within Cresswell Parish Council boundaries to be recorded and passed on to build a case of adoption moving forward.
5.6	• Early/late grass cutting - Paul Lowes - awaiting update/estimate - Cllr Burn - no response - will keep trying.
6	**NEW AGENDA ITEMS:**
6.1	• Hall now booked until the end of 2027 - any conflicts please discuss within the meeting. These will be displayed on the website.
6.2	• Christmas Lights on lamposts - funding required - Cllr Burn/Clerk - this will be discussed further following the meeting.
6.3	• Parish wide maintenance schedule - year long, routine & scheduled work - Cllr Burn - Chair unsure if this is required. No schedule was confirmed. Cllr Laing will discuss drains and gutters with highways.
6.4	• Beach Toy Library. Box completed & to be put at top of steps to the beach following the meeting.
6.5	• Defra's Coastal Adaptation Pilot Programme - to be contacted to see if it would be possible to extend this further up to Lyne Bay. • Coastal update given at this point - originally quoted to cost £500,000 but came in at approx £200,000. It is deemed by Cresswell Parish Council as being not satisfactory as it has already started to wash away due to inadequate quality of materials from the start. Stones not large enough to stand the rough breakwaters and being washed away. Chair to send email to Cllr Liz Dunn to see if a review process has taken place and to make aware of the council's concerns.
6.6	• Community Governance Review - the parish council is happy with its original submission in November. No changes to be made. Vote suggested by Cllr Burn to confirm this but was declined by Chair/Vice Chair.
6.7	• Charity Vote discussion in connection with the Garden Party - Steve Lowe & Cllr Tyrie to meet on 16th July to discuss further. Volunteers are still required for the day to make cakes etc. A donation of £75 has been given to the Walled Garden, Pele Tower charitable Trust. Cresswell Parish Council will be donating this year to True Colours charity and also putting a donation towards the Lord Mayor's Charity – British Heart Foundation. Entertainment = if none sourced a play list is to be created for the day.
7	**STANDING AGENDA ITEMS:**
7.1	• County Councillors Report - Cllr Liz Dunn not in attendance.
7.2	• Speedwatch Update - Cllr Haworth still keen but no update on when courses to run.
7.3	• NALC awards update - Biographies for the website to be gained for Cllrs, Cllr vacancy to be updated and re-added as still space on the council. Access to the website to be given to Cllr Haworth. Meeting to be arranged with Clerk and Cllr Haworth to continue work on the award.
8	**CLERK'S REPORT**
8.1	• Upcoming financial commitments. N/A
8.2	• Clerks request for increased hours to 12hrs per month - this has been agreed as of next month with no timesheet needed unless overtime requested.
8.3	• New savings account with Unity Trust Bank - Application underway - .

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	Signatures gained will be scanned and sent following the meeting.
8.4	• VAT reclaim in progress - now sent off - £702.23 reclaim requested - awaiting return.
8.5	• Finances: **CURRENT ACCOUNT (MAY/JUNE 2026)** **BALANCES as of 03.07.26** - £9379.33
9	**PLANNING:**

APPLICATION NUMBER & ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	DATE
N/A	N/A	N/A

10	**COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE:**
10.1	• Community Police report - received and shared via email on 3.7.26
10.2	• Facebook now has 91 followers. Access for a second administrator to the website has been authorised.
10.3	• A No parking sign was stolen from the green - Car was observed stopping and driver getting out, pulling the sign out of the ground and putting in the boot of the car. This was reported to the police, an update will be given at the next meeting if anything is available.
11	**NEXT MEETING:** • The date and time of the next meeting is 16th September 2026 starting at 7pm to be held at Cresswell Village Hall.

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