Minutes for the meeting of Colyton Parish Council held on Monday 8th June 2026 at 7.00 pm in the Colyton Town Hall.

Present: Cllrs A Stenning, A Parr, J Gardiner, G Stephenson, J Hay and R Turner.
Also in attendance: EDDC Cllr H Parr and S Haines (clerk)
Members of public: 0

26/06/41 Receipt & Approval of apologies for absence. Cllrs Mann, Real, Watson, Chesterton and Arnott.
26/06/42 Declaration of Interests. None
26/06/43 Police Report. 9 crimes reported in April. 4 X Violence and sexual offences, 3 X anti-social behaviour, 1 X criminal damage and arson, 1 X all other crimes.
26/06/44 Approval of the minutes of Parish Council Meeting held Monday 11th May 2026. Cllr Turner proposed these be approved, seconded by Cllr Stenning and agreed by all.
26/06/45 Matters arising from the Minutes. None.
26/06/46 Public Question time. No members of public present to speak.
26/06/47 Report from County Councillor. Cllr Arnott sent his apologies.
26/06/48 Report from District Councillors. Cllr H Parr sent her report – see appendix A.
26/06/49 Highway Matters
a) TTRO2669893 temporary prohibition of through traffic. Monday 15th June. Coly Road. Patching. This has been delayed allowing South West Water to conduct works first. Dates to be confirmed.
26/06/50 Report from Meetings Attended. Cllr Hay attended a meeting of the playing fields committee, they were planning the Youth football and charity match events, this was well attended despite the terrible weather.
Cllr Stephenson attended a meeting of the Social club – no issues to report.
26/06/51 East Devon Nutrient Recycling Plant proposal. No official application received as on yet, this will remain on the agenda.
26/06/52 Dates for September and December meetings. Also June 22nd the theatre group has the hall booked so would the Council meet upstairs? It was agreed to meet on the 14th and 28th September, to just have one meeting in December on 14th and the meeting on 22nd June can be held upstairs in the board room.
26/06/53 Correspondence
a)
26/06/54 Finance

Minutes of the finance committee held Tuesday 26th May 2026 (appendix D) to be noted.

Accounts to be approved for payment.

DD Talktalk phone and broadband 35.83 VAT 7.17. Total 43.00 pounds.
BACS Mr Fitzpatrick toilet caretaker. Total 120.00 pounds.
BACS Halcyon cemetery ground maintenance 579.41 VAT 115.88. Total 695.29 pounds.
DD British Gas Lite workshop electricity. 93.69 pounds in credit.
BACS MM Services Dolphin Street toilet maintenance and cleaning. Total 477.00 pounds.

The above accounts were approved for payment. This was proposed by Cllr Hay, seconded by Cllr Gardiner and agreed by all.

a) Donation request of £200 for the poppy appeal. It was decided that the Council would rather donate directly to the Royal British Legion and not to buy decorations and posters for the town.
b) Donation request of £250.00 for Coly Link. Cllr Parr proposed this be donated, seconded by Cllr Gardiner and agreed by all.

26/06/55 Planning

Minutes of the meeting of the planning committee held Tuesday 26th May 2026 (appendix E) to be noted

a) **Planning application from East Devon**

26/1014/AGR Road Green Farm Colyton – Mr T Underdown - Prior approval for a portal framed dual pitch building. *Comments due by 14th June.*
Cllr Hay proposed this application be supported, seconded by Cllr Gardiner and agreed by all.

b) **Planning decisions from East Devon**

26/0941/DOC Little Watchcombe Shute Discharge of condition for 25/2242/FUL: Condition 3 (Materials), Condition 6 (Surface water) Discharge of condition approved.

c) **Planning correspondence.**

26/06/56 Amenities
Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities committee held Tuesday 26th May 2026 (appendix F) to be noted

a) Potential for bollards to be placed around the lamp at Queen Square. Cllr Mann will be circulating potential bollards. The clerk has approached DCC Highways and they confirmed that any replacement would need to be substantial to protect the lamp.

26/06/57 Items brought to the CPC's attention after the agenda had been published to be noted.
Update received from South West Water confirming their schedule of works for June, no official road closures received to date. Noted.
26/06/58 Matters to be taken into Committee. None.
26/06/59 Dates of future meetings
Committee meetings – Monday 22nd June
FULL meeting – Monday 13th July

Meeting closed: 19:30.

Appendix A

EDDC Cllr H Parr – June 2026 report.

1. **Affordable Housing-**

I have sent address details of some of the Affordable Housing at the CeramTec site/ Maple Cross to ED Housing officers and look forward to receiving answers to the questions raised re allocations.

2. **Local Government Reorganisation-**

The Cabinet received a Report on the position re Local Government Reorganisation-
https://democracy.eastdevon.gov.uk/documents/s30793/LGR%20implementation.pdf
The Conclusion of the report- "*Whilst vesting day for the new unitary authority(s) is just under two years away, the*
LGR process is now becoming more real. Implementation planning is becoming an increasingly significant and growing workstream. This report sets out the key considerations as we move through the transitionary period. The overarching principle is to end well as a predecessor authority whilst ensuring the new council is set up for success. A further report will be forthcoming once the Secretary of State's decision is known including an assessment of any immediate and practical implications arising from this.

The Government decision on which form of Unitary Government will be set up in Devon, is due in July. I will report further when we have that decision.