

Minutes of the meeting of East Allington Parish Council held on Wednesday 16th September 2026 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Present – Cllr. Weeks; Cllr. Hannaford; Cllr. McCoy; Cllr. Northrop; County Cllr. Brazil; 7 members of the public; Penny Clapham (Clerk).

Both the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman are absent. To elect a chair for this meeting. Cllr. Weekes proposed Cllr. Northrop, seconded by Cllr. Hannaford. Cllr. Northrop took the chair.

1) PUBLIC DISCUSSION

An opportunity for members of the public to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business on the agenda, or any matter of interest to the parish. The period of time designated for public participation shall not exceed 15 minutes. (Standing Orders 3e and 3f).

Reminder that members of the public are not allowed to raise issues when Council is in committee.

Parishioner on update on risk assessment agenda item 9. Review of the drainage pipe the responsibility lies with the landowner. Flood risk assessment officer has committed to contact with the land owner. Underground pipe survey taking place. Highways agreed that Green Hill requires clearance. Council to give consideration to joining the Highways scheme.

Bus stop. To truly benefit the community the buses need to come through the village at regular times. Parishioner also commented on the amount of water lying in this area.

Parishioner frustrated about no allotments in the parish.

Cllr. Weekes commented on the lack of land available for any outdoor activities within the parish.

2) Apologies For Absence: Cllr. Hogarth. Cllr. Soper. Cllr. Wotton. Apologies accepted. District Cllr. Lawford.

3) Declarations Of Interest: In accordance with the Code of Conduct, members are required to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have, in items to be considered at this meeting. Members are also reminded that any change to their Declaration of Interests must be notified to the Monitoring Officer at South Hams District Council within 28 days of the change. None declared.

4) Matters raised by the Chairman (for information only) Parking on the footpath down Laburnum Way makes it difficult for access as pedestrians have to walk down the road – agenda next meeting.

5) District and County Councillor Reports (for information only)

County Cllr. Brazil will write to the District about the allotments S106 and the new development.

LGR has been paused; third monitoring report from OFSTED – very positive now. As a county very disappointed with what the Government put forward, not the best thing for Devon, did not follow their criteria, financial stability and service delivery etc. Meeting to come to a consensus about the right way forward.

The devolution programme setting up mayoral authorities, all councils in Devon support this. Cllr. Brazil elaborated on the current/future situation. Will look into the roadworks that didn't happen recently. Pothole repairs are still a top priority. If you come across shoddy work on the roads, please inform county.

11) ii moved up.

Cllr. Hannaford updated on this planning application. Whilst SW Water have reported no objection in principle to additional building in East Allington, their advice is a maximum number of buildings in total in the parish to be supported is 30. Extract from consultation response from SW Water.

*"It is noted the applicant proposes to develop the site with 40 dwellings. Following an assessment of the network and treatment works for this catchment, the existing network/works has capacity for 30 dwellings **across the catchment**. There are no plans for investment in this catchment in AMP 8 (2030-2035). The earliest an upgrade scheme could be considered is AMP 9 (2030-2035). As any improvements required to support more than 30 dwellings would not be provided within the next 5 years, the total number of new dwellings within the catchment **must not exceed 30**. Development in excess of this quantum would present a risk to public amenity, existing customers and the environment.*

Should South Hams Council be minded to grant permission for 40 dwellings, SWW would formally object."

Currently South Hams have granted permission in principle for 5 new dwellings, currently being marketed. Cllr. Northrop commented on concerns raised by a parishioner regarding the sewage outfall into the small brook.

Cllr. Brazil left the meeting.

6) Minutes –the Minutes of the meeting held on the 15th July 2026 were approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

7) Bus Stop – to consider the possibility of a bus stop at Fallapit Turn on the A381 for the 164 and 93 buses. Council resolved to agree to request a bus stop at this point. Clerk to action.

8) S.W.Water – response received to Council's letter regarding concerns from both proposed new housing and the current situation with the sewage works. Cllr. Northrop read out the emailed response.

9) Flood Risk/unlawful water diversion/nuisance – affecting Greenhill and Addlehole. For discussion and action. Discussed under public time.

10) Playground repairs – to consider any quotes received for repairs needed at the playground. To discuss replacing the flooring with either rubber mulch or wet pour surfacing. Agenda next meeting.

11) PLANNING

Planning Applications - South Hams District Council has asked for observations from the Parish Council on the following planning applications:

- i. 2440/26/HHO Extension and new porch to dwelling, Trelawne, East A llington.
Supported.
- ii. 1350/26/ARM – to receive an update: Cllr. Hannaford to report. Moved up to below agenda item 5.

Planning Decisions

- i. 1437/26/CLE Certificate of lawfulness for existing use of site for storage of plant and equipment, land at Coles Cross, East Allington.
Certified.

12) FINANCE **Expenditure**

<i>Employment August</i>	<i>£346.40 paid 02/09</i>
Cllr. Hogarth – posting of leases	£10.95
Parish Hall – hire charges May to July	£75.00
M. Weeks – grass cuts summer	£500.00
Employment September	£415.60

PAYE & NI Q2	£295.96
Wellers Law Group – land registry actions	£690.00
N. Hannaford – meeting expenses	£18.40

Income Second half precept £14,000.00

Bank Reconciliation and Statement, for information circulated prior to this meeting.

Council resolved to accept the accounts as listed above. Proposed by Cllr. Hannaford, seconded by Cllr. Northrop, all agreed by show of hands.

13) Local Plan Consultation and Call for Sites – responses required by 24th September. Noted.

14) Open Spaces –

- a) Dog poo bins in the recreation field – to be repaired replaced: to agree actions and associated expenditure. Bin to fix to the pole. Clerk to check with Cllr. Hogarth.
- b) Play area agreement with South Hams – formally agreed at a cost of £250 per area, per annum. Noted.

15) Slapton Line Partnership – to receive an update. Cllr. Hannaford reported that the important part is the protection of Torcross; first barge of rock will be arriving this month. More cars using the inland routes to reduce pressure, starting within the next 2 months, if there is a passing place you can see ahead to the next passing place; some existing passing places will be widened – either push the hedge back or create a new passing place. These inland routes will never be signed and are designed for local traffic only. Cllr. Hannaford showed a map on screen of the proposals.

16) Clerk's report

- i) Clerk is on annual leave from Friday 9th October to Friday 16th October. Agenda for the meeting on the 21st October will have to be completed on the 8th October.
- ii) National salary increase of 3.3% agreed backdated to April 2026. Included in the above employment for September.
- iii) Changing the Parish Hall wifi from BT to Vodafone on a 2 year contract.
- iv) Attending the DALC conference and training 7th October.

17) Councillor's reports and External Meetings attended (for information only)

Items for Information - The next council meeting will be on Wednesday 21st October 2026 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall

Meeting closed at 8.47pm

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Email Circulation

DALC Bulletin 34 (sent 03/08)
DALC Bulletin 38 (sent 01/09)

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