

Morchard Bishop Parish Council

Register of Attendance at Parish Council Meetings

	15/05/2023	05/06/2023	03/07/2023	31/07/2023	04/09/2023	02/10/2023	06/11/2023	04/12/2023	08/01/2024	05/02/2024	04/03/2024	08/04/2024	TOTAL	
Steve Watson	X	X	X	X	Apologies	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	91.67%
Dawn Parkhouse	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	12	100.00%
Les Partridge	Apologies	X	X	X	X	Apologies	X	X	X	Apologies	X	Apologies	8	66.67%
Sarah Gillbard	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	12	100.00%
David Grant	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies	X	X		X	Apologies	X	X	5	41.67%
Sheila Sinclair	X	Apologies	X	X	X	Apologies	X	X	X	X	X	X	10	83.33%
David Gillbard	X	X	X	X	Apologies	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	91.67%
Andy Hankins	Not elected	Not elected	X	X	X	X	X	X	Apologies	X	X		8	80.00%
Debbie Ticehurst	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Apologies	X	X	11	91.67%
Stephen Leese	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	12	100.00%
Simon Baker	X	X	X	X	Apologies	X	Apologies	X	X	X	X	X	10	83.33%
TOTAL	8	8	10	10	7	9	10	10	10	8	11	9	110	77.50%

Planning Applications throughout 2023/24

Agricultural Dwelling	3
LBC	2
Variation of Plans	1
Extension/Modification	6
Class Q application	
Agricultural Store/Building	
Neighbourhood Plan at Lapford	1
Polytunnel	1
Siting of holiday units	
New Building	2
Revised Drawings/Applications	
New Development on Chulmleigh Rd	2
Siting of holiday units	
Applications relating to Tree Felling and Reduction	
Agricultural Track and Hard Standing	<u>1</u>
Total	19

Projects and other matters completed:

We looked into the Insurance position of the Memorial Hall.

We supported the Memorial Hall in organising the Celebration of the Coronation of King Charles III.

We bought equipment and found volunteers to commence the Road Warden Scheme and successfully filled in a lot of pot holes in the village.

Sarah Gillbard painted the bus shelter inside and out and weather proofed the woodwork.

The Council organised a First Aid Course for the village.

The Parish Council supported a new Defibrillator being placed at the Playing Fields.

Drainage was put into the Car Park by the School to allow water to escape. Members of the Parish Council cleared the gutters of the Car Park.

We supported the Village Nativity scene again and Carol Singing around the village

We commenced looking at the possibility of having a Public Convenience in the village.

We had the drainage ditches around Jane Ways Grave cleared.

The restoration of the Clock mechanism in the Church Tower was completed.

The Chairman of the Parish Council attended the "State of the District Debate" run by Mid Devon District Council.

We heard from Mid Devon Medical Practice about their plans to merge with Amicus Health.

A successful second Apple Day

Council Documents

The Parish Council reviewed its own Governance Documents in February 2024 and the Parish Council agreed to an increase in the quorum from four to five Councillors .

The Parish Council accepted the proposed changes to the Town and Parish Charter proposed by Mid Devon DC

On-going Projects:

Heart of Devon Environment Group now known as Sustainable Morchard

Campaign for better Broadband connection

Emergency Plan

Assisting Business

Road Warden Scheme

Investigate the possibility of having a Public Convenience in the village.

Apple Day event to be continued

Booklet of local walks