Quethiock Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd June 2025
at Quethiock Parish Hall at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors: John Blatchford (Chair), John Warren, Steve Hobbs and Alison Jeffrey. Clerk: Matthew Wald.

Apologies: Councillor Healey

1. **Councillor's Acceptance of Office:** Councillor Hobbs (who had been unable to attend the previous meeting) signed his form of acceptance of office.

2. **Declarations of Interest:** None

3. **2024-25 Accounts and Annual Return**

   The Council considered and approved the March 2025 Risk Assessment, and the 2024-25 Accounts, Audit Report, draft Annual Governance Statement, Accounting Statement, and Certificate of Exemption from Limited Assurance Review for the purposes of the 2024-25 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (proposed Cllr Jeffrey, seconded Cllr Warren).

4. **Financial:**

4.1 The Clerk said that the Community Benefit Account currently holds just over £14,000 not yet allocated. Last year expenditure from the account was only about £4,125, of which £2,200 was the purchase of the new shed, a "one-off". The remainder went towards the cost of mowing the churchyard, and in subsidies to the Horticultural Show and the event organised by the History Society. If that was repeated this year, the Council could still have a quite substantial sum (say as much as £10-12k) which could be available for a suitable project.

4.2 The Clerk explained that the Udys had carried out some repair works to signposts, and to stiles/steps on the footpaths. The Council approved payment of their invoice for £615 for these works (proposed Cllr Jeffrey, seconded Cllr Warren).

4.3 The Clerk informed the Council that Cllrs Warren and Hobbs have now been successfully added to the bank mandate. He will now have former Cllrs Welch and Lynch removed. It should now also be possible for Cllrs Warren and Hobbs to be set up for electronic banking.

5. **Any Other Business**

   There was a discussion about the need for further car parking in Quethiock and what the Council might try to do about it. Cllr Warren will put the Chairman in touch with Mr Giddy who owns land beyond the playing field.

There being no other business, the meeting concluded at about 7.45 pm.

Next meeting: Monday 28th July 2025 at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

Signed Chairman……Dated……