

# BEER PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council Planning Meeting was held on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026**, copies of minutes and reports are available on request.

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Cllr M Shobbrook</b>	<b>Cllr K Stevens</b>	<b>Cllr T Stevens</b>
	<b>Cllr J Heath</b>	<b>Cllr S Whitelock</b>	<b>Cllr M Finney</b>
	<b>Cllr M Westlake</b>	<b>Cllr C Arnold</b>	<b>Cllr J Morrow</b>

**Minutes were taken by the Clerk: Mrs Tess Nishino**

As the previous Chair of the Planning Committee has resigned, Cllrs nominated Cllr S Whitelock as new Chair of the Planning Committee. Proposed Cllr M Shobbrook, seconded Cllr M Westlake, resolved all in favour.

- 1. Apologies and reasons for absence:** none
- 2. Members to declare any interests they may have in agenda items in accordance with the adopted Code of Conduct:** none
- 3. To approve the minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2026:** the minutes were approved as a true record and signed by Cllr T Stevens
- 4. Public participation:** there were no members of the public present
- 5. [26/0357/TRE](#) - Seddul Bahr Barline Beer Devon EX12 3LS**  
**Walnut :** remove a maximum of 20% of the canopy on an ongoing, annual rolling basis; i.e. prune little and often to reduce the risk of bleeding. Remove dead/damaged/diseased branches. Remove any water sprouts at the base of the tree. Remove any crossing branches rubbing together and causing entry points for disease. Remove upright vigorous shoots in the centre of the tree to improve light and air circulation through the canopy. Remove downward growing branches low on the tree to a more upward growing branch, to improve light and remove danger of injury to persons in the garden. Shorten previous year's growth on each main branch by 1/4 to 1/3 to encourage branching and formulation of fruiting spurs. Reduce excess height by shortening larger branches by up to 1/3 to make it less difficult to pick fruit and because the tree is outgrowing available space: the Council resolved to leave this one to the tree experts. Proposed Cllr T Stevens, seconded Cllr M Westlake, resolved all in favour.

**Signed Cllr S Whitelock: .....**  
**Chair Planning Committee**

**Dated: .....**