

# Yarnscombe Parish Council



## ANNUAL REPORT 2026

April 2025-March 2026

I wish to first apologise for being unable to attend the annual meeting, due to family commitments. It has been agreed that the Vice Chairman, Mr. Ian Newberry will officiate in my place.

For the parish council this can be considered a reasonably quiet year, focusing mainly on new IT and Data protection policies, which after much work can be considered in hand. My thanks go to both Councillor Richard Pengilley and Sharron Newberry, who have successfully waded through this maelstrom of regulations and requirements, to ensure we as a parish are fit for the future.

With regards to planning applications brought to our attention over the year, only one of them remains to be settled and that is: 1/0039/2026/FULM West Park, Yarnscombe, Show People's site. Though this planning application is not within our parish, the nature and close proximity of this application has given cause for concern. We have commented accordingly and will keep a close watch on developments.

Financially, we have remained well within budget, with sufficient reserves to deal with most anticipated situations.

The state of our local roads within the parish boundary, often a subject of great discussion with the Devon County Councillor, when they do attend one of our meetings.

Finally, I wish to thank our clerk, Mrs Martina Dymond, and all the other parish councillors, for both their contribution to the running of this council and individual duties they have carried out enhancing the welfare of this community.

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Brice  
Chair, Yarnscombe PC  
27 May 2026