

# BOW PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of BOW PARISH COUNCIL will be held on Wednesday 9 April 2025 at 7:30pm  
at the Community Room of Bow Village Hall, Station Road, Bow, EX17 6HS

*BOW PARISH COUNCILLORS are hereby summoned to attend*  
for the purpose of transacting the business itemised in the agenda set out below.

Signed ...*Brenda Ware*... (Parish Clerk)

## A G E N D A

Members are reminded of the need to declare any interest, including the nature and reason for that interest,  
prior to any discussion which may take place.

1. **To Receive Apologies for Absence.**
2. **Public Open Forum** (max. 10 minutes).
3. **Minutes.** To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 12 March 2025 as a complete and accurate record.
4. **Matters Arising:-**  
Nil
5. **Planning**  
APPLICATIONS  
INFORMATION ONLY  
[25/00465/PNAG](#)  
Proposal: Prior notification for the erection of roof over existing silage clamp  
Location: Land at NGR 270964 100112 Butterlands Park Farm, Bow, Crediton  
Site Vicinity Grid Ref: 270980 / 100120  
Information conveyed electronically to Bow Parish Councillors on 01/04/2025.  
  
INFORMATION ONLY  
[25/00469/PNAG](#)  
Proposal: Prior notification for the erection of roof over existing dung store  
Location: Land at NGR 271004 100122 Butterlands Park Farm, Bow, Crediton  
Site Vicinity Grid Ref: 270980 / 100120  
Information conveyed electronically to Bow Parish Councillors on 01/04/2025.  
  
[25/00420/HOUSE](#)  
Proposal: Formation of hard standing for the parking of vehicles to include EV charging point  
Location: Barns Cottage, Bow, Crediton  
Site Vicinity Grid Ref: 272267 / 101734  
Information conveyed electronically to Bow Parish Councillors on 01/04/2025.  
  
MDDC DECISIONS  
Nil
6. **DCC (Crediton Rural Division) Monthly Report.** No report to hand
7. **MDDC (Upper Yeo & Taw Ward) Monthly Report.** No report to hand.
8. **Annual Audit, Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 2024-2025 Form 2.** To consider self-certifying as exempt from external auditor's Limited Assurance Review.  
\*Please refer below for qualifying criteria.

9. **DCC Election.** One member to be elected for Crediton electoral division on 1 May 2025.  
Election contested, poll will take place on Thursday, 1 May 2025.  
Persons standing nominated Charles Errington Beazley (Reform), Jim Cairney (Liberal Democrat), Angus Howie (Conservative), Wesley Mitchell (Heritage Party), Robert Harper Rickey (Green) and Paul Michael Vincent (Labour).  
Press release, Your Vote, Your Voice – Key information for the upcoming local elections.
10. **Local Government Reorganisation, English Devolution White Paper.**  
Incl. DALC meeting for Smaller Councils on 8 April, 10am–11.30am for DALC to provide an update.  
Published letter from seven district council leaders, with submitted Interim Plan, for local government devolution
11. **D.C.C. Highways Matters.**  
Including:-  
Speeding A3072 western approach to village. DCC information/response awaited reference Burston Cross works.  
Vehicle Activated Speed Sign (VAS). To report any progress – awaiting MP and/or DCC advices/info.  
Any other highway issues.
12. **Monitoring of Services**  
D.C.C.  
M.D.D.C.
13. **Correspondence**  
DCC, changes to Devon's bus services from 20 April 2025, information on [Travel Devon website](#)  
MDDC Press Release, Let's Talk Mid Devon 2024 – the results.  
MDDC Press Release, new food & craft markets launch at Tiverton pannier market.  
MDDC Press Release, Council issues update regarding rent calculations error.  
MDDC Press Release, new features added to the Council's self-service portal  
MDDC Press Release, local firms encouraged to attend Council's free Business Rates information event.  
MDDC Press Release, budget and council tax set for 2025/2026.  
MDDC Press Release, [Survey](#) 11/3/25-25/4/25 open for Mid Devon businesses.  
MDDC, latest set of side waste results, review of unauthorised bins, pots and pans trial underway,  
MDDC, raising money from scrap metal, idea (Templeton Parsh Council).  
DAAT, DAA landing sites - Summer Events, information.  
Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust,  
Devon Communities Together, new training from Devon Community Learning  
Devon Communities Together, cancer screening in Devon - who's eligible and what's involved, information.  
Devon and Cornwall Alert, don't fall foul of the fatal five, national campaign highlighting most common causes of fatal and serious road traffic collisions.  
Devon and Cornwall Alert, Police and residents to meet, Newton St Cyres 24 April 2025 10:00am to 12:00noon  
Devon and Cornwall Alert, Commissioner says Devon & Cornwall Police complaints handling 'unacceptable'.  
Devon and Cornwall Alert, new police campaign encourages people to report non-contact sexual offences.  
Devon and Cornwall Alert, dog walkers reminded to Take The Lead and keep canines under control.  
Devon and Cornwall Alert, Action Fraud, over 35,000 account hackings reported in 2024, info.  
Devon and Cornwall Alert, Cracking down on cannabis cultivation.  
Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust, [newsletter](#) (March 2025).  
Hospiscare, request for financial support.  
EDF Energy, energy costs changing from 1 April 2025.  
*Publications:* DALC E-bulletin, Healthwatch Devon E-bulletin, NALC newsletter, NALC chief executive bulletin, NALC Events newsletter, Devon Climate Emergency March [newsletter](#) and DCC news round-up Connectme.
14. **Finance.**  
Bank balances brought forward: Deposit a/c £8,105.07, Current a/c £23,595.25  
ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT  
MDDC (Non-Domestic Rate Bill 2025/2026 Jackman Car Park) £0.00 (invoice issued at £454.09, Small Business Relief reduced to nil)
15. **Any Other Business.**
16. **Date of Next Meeting.** ? Wednesday 14 May 2025 at 7:30pm at the Community Room of Bow Village Hall.

“There are certain circumstances in which an authority will be **unable to certify itself as exempt**, so that a limited assurance review will still be required. If an authority is **unable to confirm the statements below then it cannot certify itself as exempt** and it **must** submit the completed Annual Governance and Accountability Return Form 3 to the external auditor to undertake a limited assurance review for which a fee of **£210 +VAT** will be payable.

By signing this **Certificate of Exemption** you are confirming that:

- The authority was in existence on 1st April 2021
- In relation to the preceding financial year (2023/24), the external auditor **has not**:
  - issued a public interest report in respect of the authority or any entity connected with it
  - made a statutory recommendation to the authority, relating to the authority or any entity connected with it
  - issued an advisory notice under paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 8 to the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (“the Act”), and has not withdrawn the notice
  - commenced judicial review proceedings under section 31(1) of the Act
  - made an application under section 28(1) of the Act for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful, and the application has not been withdrawn nor has the court refused to make the declaration
- The court has not declared an item of account unlawful after a person made an appeal under section 28(3) of the Act.

If the above statements apply and the authority neither received gross income, nor incurred gross expenditure, exceeding £25,000, then the Certificate of Exemption can be signed and a copy submitted to the external auditor **either** by email **or** by post (not both).”