

TO ALL ELECTORS OF AXMINSTER

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN

**AXMINSTER ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**  
(as per the requirements of Section 9 of the Local Government Act 1972)

**AT THE GUILDHALL, AXMINSTER**  
**ON MONDAY 2nd March 2026 AT 7 P.M.**

MEETING TO BE CHAIRED BY COUNCILLOR JILL FARROW

\*Chair of the Parish (Town) Council\*

*The Parish Meeting may, by law, discuss all parish affairs and pass resolutions about them and local government electors (registered to vote in the area for which it is held) may speak and vote accordingly.*

The following matters have been placed on the agenda:

1. **Opening of the meeting; introduction and welcome:** Town Mayor, Councillor Jill Farrow
2. **To note any apologies for absence received:**
3. **Minutes:** The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025 to be considered and, if thought fit, approved and signed by the Chair of the meeting.
4. **Any matters arising from above minutes**
5. **To receive a presentation from representatives of Devon and Cornwall Police in relation to ongoing measures to reduce and prevent crime, anti-social behaviour and nuisance in the town and parish.**
6. **To receive presentations from representatives of local community organisations and groups working locally to tackle isolation and loneliness in our town.**
7. **To receive presentations from representatives of local community organisations and groups, working with volunteers to arrange and deliver community events in the town.**
8. **To receive a presentation from representatives of Devon County Council to speak on matters relating to highway condition, repairs and maintenance and to provide an update on the ongoing challenges of road defects, potholes and weather-related resilience.**
9. **Open Public Forum: Matters pertinent to the parish of Axminster may be raised at the meeting or, if preferred, notified to the Town Clerk at the Guildhall beforehand. Any person listed on the Parish Electoral Roll is entitled to speak at this point of the meeting.**
10. **Town Mayor's 2025-26 annual report:** Mayor of Axminster, Cllr. Farrow to present.
11. **To receive Town Council's Budget and Precept statement for Financial Year 2026-27**

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- 12. Parish Footpaths/P3: Report from Honorary Footpath Warden / Town Clerk**
- 13. Annual report by Axminster's East Devon District Councillors, Cllrs. Paul Hayward, Sarah Jackson and Simon Smith (representing Axminster District Ward)**
- 14. Annual report by Axminster's Devon County Councillor, Cllr. Paul Hayward (representing Axminster County Division)**
- 15. To consider any demands to hold a parish poll as requested by those present in accordance with paragraph 18 (Schedule 12) of the Local Government Act 1972 (also section 150[7]).**
- 16. Closing statement by Town Mayor, Cllr. Jill Farrow**
- 17. With no further business to attend to, the meeting will be closed by the Chair of the meeting.**

**Signed:**

*Jill Farrow*

**Chair of the Town Council / Mayor of Axminster  
13<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

*Published by Paul Hayward, Town Clerk*