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Draft Minutes of the Stoke Trister with Bayford Parish Council Meeting held at The Bayford Mission Hall, Bayford Hill, Bayford, Wincanton **Thursday 17th of July 2025, 7pm**



Present:

Cllrs N Linsley (Chair), M Grant (Vice Chair), J Garrett, R Webb-Bowen, Fiona Harvey.

In attendance:

Clerk: K Fullerton, Somerset Council Cllrs: Tom Power and Lucy Trimnell.

i. Public Forum:

No public session items.

ii. To receive reports from Somerset Council Councillors.

A report was received by email ahead of the meeting. Cllr Tom Power spoke about the Wincanton town parking charges, potentially to be introduced this October by Somerset Council. Cllr Lucy Trimnell spoke about the importance of recognising the invasive species of Asian Hornet and the need to report any positive sightings by uploading a photograph of the insect via the Asian Hornet Watch App.

7:30pm Meeting opened.

1/25/018 To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr M Rushe sent her apologies.

2/25/019 To receive declarations of interest.

None.

3/25/020 To agree the Minutes as a true representation of the matters discussed at the parish council meeting held on the 8th of May 2025.

RESOLVED: To approve the Minutes as a true and accurate record of matters discussed.

4/25/021 Planning Matters

- a) To consider new planning applications:
 - 25/01007/HOU Amended /Additional Information Vale Cottage, Stoke Trister, Wincanton, Somerset BA9 9PG – Erection of a detached timber garage and retrospective permission for a balcony.

RESOLVED: No comment.

- b) To consider any recent planning applications from Somerset Council (South), received in the days after the agenda had been circulated and prior to this meeting. Interested public and parish councillors: please refer to (South) Somerset Council planning portal for full details of planning items that might be discussed under this item:

 https://www.somerset.gov.uk/planning-buildings-and-land/view-and-comment-on-a-planning-application/
 - 25/01766/TPO Riding Gate Farm, Bayford, Wincanton, Somerset BA9 8NQ –
 Application to fell No. 6 Trees as shown within the South Somerset District Council
 (SSTR 1) 2010 Tree Preservation Order.

RESOLVED: No comment

c)	To note any planning decisions from Somerset Council.
	25/01026/COL – Application permitted.

Chairman's signature:	Date:	

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Highways

- a) Horse Safety signs to receive an update on the arrangements for installation. Andy Barron at Traffic Management has raised a works order for the supply and installation, at a cost of £250. Date of works to be advised.
- b) To discuss any issues with the Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) and any maintenance work required.

None.

c) To note any road safety concerns.

None.

6/25/023 Footpaths

a) To receive a report from Cllr Garrett.

Members noted receipt of Cllr Garrett's comprehensive footpath report and thanked her for her continued considerable efforts in this regard. Cllr Garrett has requested Somerset Council ROW for some posts and gates for local footpaths. Once received the Ranger will install as directed.

7/25/024 Financial and Regulatory Matters

a) To adopt the Chairpersons Allowance Policy. Item deferred to the September meeting.

ACTION: Clerk

- b) To receive a bank reconciliation for all parish council accounts.

 Received and approved, showing a capital balance of £48925.61 as of the 15th of July 2025.
- c) To seek a resolution to make the following payments:

i.	K Fullerton – Clerk salary May 2025 – PAID	£	378.37
ii.	Somerset Council Pension Fund – Pension May 25 - PAID	£	139.14
iii.	K Fullerton – Clerk salary June 2025 - PAID	£	378.37
iv.	Somerset Council – Pension Fund February 2025 - PAID	£	139.14
V.	Payman – payroll services 25/26	£	120.00
νi.	SALC – Inv 1829 Affiliation fees 25/26	£	178.33
vii.	K Fullerton – Clerk expenses June-July 2025	£	124.93

RESOLVED: To make the above BACS payments.

ACTION: Clerk, Cllr Linsley

8/25/025 To consider nominations for the Chair's Award for service to the community – deadline 18th of July.

RESOLVED: To nominate the local social group. Cllr Linsley agreed to submit the application by Friday's deadline.

ACTION: CIIr Linsley

9/25/026 Defibrillator – to receive a report from Cllr Garrett

Nothing to report.

10/25/027 LCN Matters – to receive a report on any LCN matters since the last parish council meeting

Cllr Harvey provided an informative report on the recent meeting she attended and volunteered to be the lead police contact on the parish council.

Chairman's signature:	Date:	

^{**} Cllr Grant left the meeting at 8.13pm.

11/25/028 Ranger Work – to list potential work for the Ranger

Upcoming work to include replacing the (finger) post and installing some footpath gates. Cllr Garrett will advise when required parts are available to install. Ranger not required until the parts have been received.

ACTION: Cllr Garrett, Clerk

ACTION: Clerk

12/25/029 To note correspondence received

 Somerset's New Local Transport Plan open for consultation – closes 7th of September 2025.

13/25/030 To note items for the next agenda

- Asset of Community Value is the Unicorn Pub still registered?
- Chairmans Allowance Scheme adopt policy.
- Noticeboard
- Ranger
- September salary adjustment in cashbook -3p

14/25/031 To note the date of the next meeting

11th September 2025, 7pm, Mission Hall, Bayford

Meeting closed at 20:34.

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