



# YEOVIL WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the parish council meeting on Wednesday 18 March 2026 at Yeovil Sports & Social Club, Johnson Park, Yeovil, at 6:30pm**

**Present:** (7) Cllrs: Kevin Brown, Vyvyenne Burt, Iris Coton, John Orchard, Colin Rose, Kate Stevenson and Rob Stickland

**In attendance:**

**Clerk:** Barbara Appleby

**Somerset Councillors:** Andy Kendall, Tony Lock, Wes Read, David Woan.

Cllr David Woan gave details regarding the highway matters concerning Tower Road/Mudford Road junctions which members would be discussing later in the meeting. These comments were NOTED along with comments given by the other Somerset Councillors.

**Members of the Public:** None

**Police/PCSO:** None — any matters to be raised to the Clerk

**Outside Reports:**

## **537/26 — APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (4)**

Council received apologies from:

- Cllr David Knight – conflicting engagement (1)
- Cllr Mike Lock – work commitments
- Cllr Rani Panesar – personal circumstances
- Cllr Howard Ashton – Unwell

Council **RESOLVED** to accept these apologies.

**Not Present:** (3) Sarah Nutland, John Snell, Mary Snell

## **538/26 — COUNCILLOR CO-OPTION – LYDE WARD**

Members **RESOLVED** to co-opt Joanna Gill to the parish council the declaration of office was signed.

## **539/26 — DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- Cllrs Rob Stickland – Member of Yeovil Town Council (YTC) - Personal - **534/26.4** - YTC letter dated 16 March 26.

## 540/26 — MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18 February 2026, Iris Coton highlighted a date error in minute no. 535.26.1 following the manual amendment the minutes were **APPROVED** as a true record.

## 541/26 — CHAIR'S REPORT

The chair attended Westfield Community Association (WCA) AGM and Wyndham Park Community Association (WPCA) AGM. He highlighted WCA change to charity status and connotations involved and WPCA swift AGM. Following joining the online brief on Somerset Councils Local Plan and Local Transport Delivery Plan it was agreed that the briefing notes would be circulated to members. The chair's report was **NOTED**

## 542/26 — PARISH CLERK REPORT

Members **NOTED** the Clerk's verbal report on the Wyndham Park MUGA area project.

## 543/26 — PLANNING

**543/26.1 — APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA: None**

### 543/26.2 — SOMERSET COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS

Members **NOTED** the planning decisions that had been made between 11 Feb 26 – 11 Mar 26

## 544/26 – ONGOING MATTERS/REVIEWS/GOVERNANCE

### 544/26.1 YWPC IT POLICY

Members **RESOLVED** to adopt the YWPC IT POLICY

### 544/26.2 LGB REVIEW FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Members **NOTED** that from May 27 local elections, subject to Parliamentary approval, YWPC would consist of two wards, Brimsmore and Fairmead instead of the current four wards – Brimsmore, Combe, Summerlands and Lyde, the number of Councillors remain at fifteen.

## FINANCE

### 545/26.1 — PAYMENTS & RECEIPTS

Members **RESOLVED** to:

- a. **NOTE** receipts and payments made under delegation for March 26 and the grant and investments payments **approved** in February 26 – (min 534/26.3 and 534/26.4)
- b. Payment above the scheme of delegation threshold (5,000) - **NONE**

# YWPC PAYMENTS APPROVAL LIST

18-Mar-26

Payments greater than

> £500

**EXPENDITURE 258,946.73**

Payment Method	Payment date	Details	above £5,000 *	Net - £	Vat - £	Gross - £
BACS	25-Feb	Grants - Project Dance Charity foundation		500.00		500.00
BACS	25-Feb	Grants - Yeovil Street Pastors		300.00		300.00
BACS	25-Feb	Grant - Crimestoppers		200.00		200.00
BACS	25-Feb	Grants - YOG		2,000.00		2,000.00
CHAPS	26-Feb	Redwood Bank - YWPC 2 year fixed rate bond		250,000.00		250,000.00
Auto Debit	26-Feb	CHAPS fee		25.00		25.00
Auto Debit	28-Feb	Service Charge		7.35		7.35
DD	12-Mar	ICO		47.00		47.00
BACS	19-Mar	Somerset Council - PR		£1,820.40	£364.08	2,184.48
BACS	19-Mar	Cartridge People		£34.41	£6.89	41.30
BACS	19-Mar	Mole Valley Farmers		£78.32	£15.67	93.99
BACS	19-Mar	Staff Emoluments		741.52	73.12	814.64
SO	25-Mar	Democratic Services		2,200.00		2,200.00
DD	25-Mar	NEST		532.97		532.97
<b>Total</b>				<b>258,486.97</b>	<b>459.76</b>	<b>258,946.73</b>

## 545/26.2 UNITY BANK – MANAGEMENT OF ACCOUNT FORM

The council **RESOLVED** to:

1. Approve the signing of the Unity Bank Management of Account form
2. The removal of former Councillors from the account
3. The addition of Iris Coton and Kevin Brown as authorised signatories

## 545/26.3 ARTS ENGAGEMENT & OUTREACH PROGRAMME – Request of 3 year SLA

Members **AGREED** to invite the Arts Engagement & Outreach Manager to a future meeting to gain further insight prior to making a decision.

## **546/26 CORRESPONDENCE**

### **546/26.1 BLOOR HOMES**

Members **NOTED** the letter dated 9 March regarding an opportunity to provide the parish council with an update on the proposed amendments to the Mudford development site and **AGREED** to request a written summary on receipt if a meeting was required would be requested at this state.

### **546/26.2 DOUBLE YELLOW LINES – JUNCTION OF TOWER RD & MUDFORD RD**

Members considered the information and pictures provided by Somerset Councillor David Woan. It was **RESOLVED** to:

1. Request the reinstatement to the worn line markings
2. Approve resident consultation to extend the lines markings Iris Coton volunteered to assist Cllr Woan speaking to residents.
3. Subject to resident support apply for extension of the double yellow lines.

### **546/26.3 SALC PARISH, TOWN & CITY COUNCIL SURVEY**

Members **AGREED** that Iris Coton and the Clerk would respond to the survey.

**546/26.4** Any further correspondence received since preparation of the agenda which does not require a financial decision:

#### **a. Yeovil Town Council (YTC) letter dated 16<sup>th</sup> Mar 26 - Request for Contribution Toward Legal Advice – NHS Service Reconfiguration**

Rob Stickland declared an interest in this item and withdrew from the Chair. The Vice Chair took the Chair for the duration of the discussion.

Members considered the request from Yeovil Town Council and **AGREED** in principle to support a financial contribution. It was further agreed that this decision would be formally ratified at the next meeting.

For transparency, it was noted that Yeovil Town Council is not reliant on receiving a contribution at this investigatory stage, as instructions have already been issued to a solicitor. However, the Council would welcome support and, should the matter progress, it is likely that additional councils will be invited to contribute towards associated costs.

Rob Stickland returned to the Chair.

### **547/26 — DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next parish council meeting will be held on 15 April 2026 and will commence upon the conclusion of the Annual Parish meeting starting at 6.30pm.

Meeting closed: 7.46pm

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_