

Buckland Dinham Parish Council - Meeting Minutes - 1st August 2024

Present	Cllrs: JR, SH, AK, IB, SB, EK	Meeting Opened 19.01			
In Attendance	Clerk DS, Cllr Clarke, five members of the public.				
	Cllr Clarke joined the meeting before item 5, Cllr Kemp before item 7c, Chair Reckless part way through item 7c. Cllr Clarke left after item 6b.				
	Vice Chair King was in the Chair.				
	It is noted items 7c, 11a and 11b were discussed in this order immediately following item 4. Minutes order will follow agenda order.				
	Comment	Action	Date	Resolved	
0.	Public Forum				
	None.	none	n/a	n/a	
1.	Apologies for Absence, consideration of reasons				
1.151	None.	none	n/a	n/a	
2.	Declarations of Interest				
2.152	None.	none	n/a	n/a	
3.	Exclusion of the Press and Public				
3.153	None.	none	n/a	n/a	
4.	Minutes of the Full Council, previous Meeting				
4.154	Minutes of 20Jun2024 accepted, signed by AK.	signed	1Aug24	y	
5.	Chair's Announcements				
5.155	A reminder that representations regarding the Regulation 19 limited planning update closes on 12Aug2024.	none	n/a	n/a	
5.156	Village and speed signs are obscured. Clerk to raise with Somerset Council. Reported 818236.	DS	5Aug24	y	
5.157	A reminder that the A36 will be closed from 12Aug2024 until Spring 2025.	none	n/a	n/a	
5.158	Clerk to draft a letter to invite Anna Sabine MP to visit BD to discuss local issues such as Traffic volume and speeds, Flood management.	DS	8Aug24	ongoing	
5.159	Clerk to draft a thank you and best wishes note to former Cllr Viv Street.	DS	8Aug24	ongoing	
6.	Local Authority Reports				
6a.	Avon and Somerset Police				
6a.160	Monthly crime report received and circulated, thank you.	none	n/a	n/a	
6b.	Somerset Council (SC) - Cllr Barry Clarke				
6b.161	Cllr Clarke issued a County news summary report for July and August prior to the meeting, circulated.	none	1Aug24	y	
6b.162	Planning enforcement are short staffed, breaches continue to be investigated.	none	n/a	n/a	
6b.163	Clerk to send personalised care logo email to BC. Completed.	DS	5Aug24	y	
6b.164	Development of the Saxondale site in Frome has been awarded to Acorn. There are subsequent reports that they have declined.	none	n/a	n/a	
6b.165	A reminder of the Shepton LCN Emergency Planning workshop on 13Aug2024 2-5pm Shape Mendip Council Offices BA4 5BT.	none	n/a	n/a	
6b.166	Reported that the Section 151 officer, CFO responsible for ensuring Government grants to Authorities to provide schooling, has retired.	none	n/a	n/a	
7.	Finance				
7a.	Approve or not website hosting, domain email services Stellasoft 1Apr2024-31Mar2025 £360				
7a.167	Approved.	DS	1Aug24	y	
7b.	Approve or not PDF enhanced professional £79				
7b.168	Approved.	DS	1Aug24	y	
7b.169	Clerk to remove auto renew as this software no longer required.	DS	1Aug24	y	
7c.	Village and Community website				
7c.170	John Stauber and the Clerk will follow up queries with Stellasoft and other actions discussed.	DS	12Sep24	y	

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7c.	Village and Community website (cont.)			
7c.171	It is noted that offers of help were made and there is likely to be expertise amongst residents which may be called upon as the site develops.	none	n/a	n/a
7c.172	It was restated (20Jun2024 7g.121) that SB will be the BDPC liaison for JS if required e.g. Village information such as boundaries, not technical.	JS, SB	n/a	n/a
8.	Local Community Networks			
8a.	Expenses			
8a.173	Approved to reimburse SB expenses for the Highways committee meeting of 26Mar2024.	DS	5Aug24	ongoing
8a.174	Approved to pay village hall costs of £15 as above.	DS	5Aug24	ongoing
9.	Council Reports			
9a.	Road Issues			
9a1.	SIDs			
9a1i.175	IB to investigate cost of laptop or other device with correct specification to interrogate SIDs data.	IB	12Sep24	ongoing
9a2.	CSW			
9a2.176	11 sessions completed in July, thanks to all the team.	none	n/a	n/a
9a2.177	Police speed enforcement units are attending at least once a month and capturing approximately 50 offending vehicles per hour.	none	n/a	n/a
9b.	Village Hall			
9b.178	Strip lights being replaced on 2Aug2024 with LEDs.	none	n/a	n/a
9b.179	Difficulties getting quotes for remaining repairs, decorating.	SH	12Sep24	ongoing
9b.180	Noted that hiring fees will increase substantially in Jan2025.	none	n/a	n/a
9c.	Playing Fields			
9c.181	Rota and mower working well.	none	n/a	n/a
9c.182	New balance bar to be installed by committee soon.	none	n/a	n/a
9d.	Frome Missing Link			
9d.183	A benefactor has donated £100k for tarmacking of Buckland Bridge to Elliots.	none	n/a	n/a
9e.	Parish Plan			
9e.184	Positive response to the boards at the BBQ.	none	n/a	n/a
9e.185	Hard copies of the report can be requested but it will be available on the website.	SB	12Sep24	ongoing
9e.186	Meeting to finalise priorities is on 18Sep2024.	SB	24Oct24	ongoing
9e.187	Photography walks have been held starting at the Bell with sandwiches.	none	n/a	n/a
10.	Parish Clerk			
10a.	Trees in Somerset owned land in St Michael's Close - update			
10a.188	Clerk has confirmed with Paul Sweetman that this work is on their list, no date for completion though.	none	n/a	n/a
10b.	Recruitment of a Councillor			
10b. 189	Clerk to advertise on Facebook.	DS	12Sep24	ongoing
10c.	Flooding			
10c.190	EK continues discussions to address the culvert as this has been agreed as one of the problems.	EK	12Sep24	ongoing
10d.	Public Nuisance			
10d.191	Clerk to draft a letter to residents regarding their refuse bins on the pavement from the bus stop area and steps to St Michael's Close.	DS	12Sep24	ongoing
10d.192	SH reports that the bus stop bin is emptied by Id Verde who have agreed to monitor and empty it better in future than currently.	none	n/a	n/a
10d.193	Clerk to draft a letter to residents regarding persistent dog barking.	DS	12Sep24	ongoing

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	Parish Clerk (cont.)			
10f.	Clerk's report - circulated			
10f.194	Clerk reported that this did not go out and information on the Solar panel policy and Reserves will be available at the next meeting.	DS	12Sep24	ongoing
11.	Planning Matters			
11a.	2024/1081/HSE & 2024/1081/LBC Ebenezer Chapel			
11a.195	Following much discussion, Approved.	DS	2Aug24	y
11b.	2024/1130/HSE Burley			
11b.196	Following much discussion, Approved.	All	1Aug24	y
11b.197	Clerk to draft BDPC response to include conditions on use.	DS	8Aug24	ongoing
11c.	2024/1181/TCA Vine Tree Cottage			
11c.198	Approved.	DS	2Aug24	y
12.	Dates of Next Meetings	All	29Feb24	ongoing
12a.	10Apr2025, 22May2025, 3Jul2025			
12a.199	Approved.	none	n/a	n/a
12b.	Annual Parish, Village Meeting date for 2025 1st Mar-1st Jun			
12b.200	6th or 10th March proposed. SH to check diary. 6th March 2025 confirmed.	none	n/a	n/a
	Thursday 12Sep2024 7pm Village Hall			
	24Oct2024, 5Dec2024, 16Jan2025, 27Feb2025, 10Apr2025, 22May2025, 3Jul2025.			
	JR closed Meeting at 21.30. Thank you.			
	JR, John Reckless, AK, Alan King, SB, Sarah Barnett, IB, Ian Blair, SH, Susie Hicks, EK Elisita Kemp, DS, Diane Sleigh			
	B Clarke, Barry Clarke, JS, John Stauber			