

## Buckland Dinham Meeting of the Parish Council - Minutes - 28th August 2025

<b>Present</b>	<b>Cllrs: JR, SH, IB, EK</b>	Meeting opened 1900.		
<b>In Attendance</b>	Clerk DS. Members of the Public. Cllr BClarke.			
	BClarke left the meeting after item 6b.172.			
	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Resolved</b>
<b>0.</b>	<b>Public Forum</b>			
	Concerns were raised again regarding planning permission compliance, lack of Somerset Council engagement and enforcement pertaining to item 11c.	none	n/a	n/a
	Appeal to BDPC to assist residents in their requests to Somerset Council to review and act on reports of non compliance.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence, consideration of reasons</b>			
1.165	AK, SB. Accepted.	none	28Aug2025	y
<b>2.</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>			
2.166	IB declared item 11g pertains to a near neighbour.	none	28Aug2025	y
<b>3.</b>	<b>Exclusion of the Press and Public</b>			
3.167	None.	none	28Aug2025	y
<b>4.</b>	<b>Minutes of the Full Council, previous Meeting</b>			
4.168	Minutes of 3rd July 2025 accepted, signed by JR	signed	28Aug2025	y
<b>5.</b>	<b>Chair's Announcements</b>			
5.169	It is noted that BDPC continue to recognise the importance of the 20mph legal speed limit in the Village and its contribution to the safety of residents.	none	n/a	n/a
5.170	The Community Speedwatch team have completed many sessions providing their roadside presence as a reminder to drivers.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>6.</b>	<b>Local Authority Reports</b>			
<b>6a.</b>	<b>Avon and Somerset Police</b>			
6a.171	Clerk reported none received. Apologies, the report was received and circulated on 11Aug2025.	none	28Aug2025	y
<b>6b.</b>	<b>Somerset Council (SC) - Cllr Barry Clarke</b>			
6b.172	BClarke provided more background information about the current planning status at Somerset Council. He suggested actions BDPC could take.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing
<b>7.</b>	<b>Finance</b>			
<b>7a.</b>	<b>2026-27 Budget</b>			
7a.173	Cllrs to review draft budget for full discussions at future meetings. The final budget must be decided on 8th January 2026.	All	16Oct2025	ongoing
7a.174	It is noted that BDPC will likely propose to formalise the PF maintenance, currently £200 to reflect ownership, insurance and training policies.	All	16Oct2025	ongoing
7a.175	JR requested an additional line item - FML-SALC.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing
7a.176	Question raised whether other local Parishes would contribute to any projects as a result of the FML-SALC application.	JR	16Oct2025	ongoing
7a.177	Explanation requested about the £274.08 overspend in Village Community Groups (Parish Plan). Clerk to provide to Cllrs.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing
7a.178	Clerk to suggest the idea of a small picket style fence with Village name sign to the ttg group.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing
7a.179	Clerk to write a process of how Village Groups can request funds.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing

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<b>8.</b>	<b>Local Community Network</b>			
8.180	It is noted that despite the appointment of James Moore as VofF LCN link officer, there is no improvement to the admin and implementation of any actions of the group.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>9.</b>	<b>Council Reports</b>			
<b>9a.</b>	<b>Village Hall</b>			
9a.181	Nothing to report, business as usual.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>9b.</b>	<b>Playing Fields</b>			
9b.182	Committee to meet to discuss the RoSPA report.	SH	16Oct2025	n/a
<b>9c.</b>	<b>Housing Needs Survey</b>			
9c.183	Leaflets delivered, posters in noticeboards.	none	n/a	n/a
9c.184	Launch event:	none	n/a	n/a
	<a href="https://bucklanddinham.org/community/buckland-dinham-20761/wine-n-pizza-party-village-hall-7pm/">https://bucklanddinham.org/community/buckland-dinham-20761/wine-n-pizza-party-village-hall-7pm/</a>	none	16Oct2025	ongoing
<b>9d.</b>	<b>Frome Missing Link - SALC</b>			
9d.185	JR requested input from Cllrs to substantiate the application.	All	3Sep2025	ongoing
9d.186	BDPC approved the grant application to SALC in respect of part of the Frome Missing Link cycle and footpath.	All	28Aug2025	y
9d.187	Clerk to draft letter of support of BDPC as lead Parish Council.	DS	3Sep2025	ongoing
<b>10.</b>	<b>Parish Clerk</b>			
<b>10a.</b>	<b>Recruitment of a Councillor</b>			
10a.188	Clerk to prepare a Vision and Strategy based on the Parish Plan findings.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing
<b>10b.</b>	<b>Flooding</b>			
10b.189	EK to draft grant application to Rivers Trust. The submission must come from BDPC.	EK	16Oct2025	ongoing
<b>10e.</b>	<b>Village Emergency Plan</b>			
10e.190	Clerk apologises for incorrect numbering of agenda item.	none	28Aug2025	y
10e.191	Apologies, no progress.	IB, AK	16Oct2025	ongoing
<b>10e.</b>	<b>5Alive</b>			
10e.192	Nothing to report.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>10f.</b>	<b>Parish Preparedness Survey</b>			
10f.193	Responses collated, agreed, Clerk to submit.	DS	10Sep2025	ongoing
<b>11.</b>	<b>Planning Matters</b>			
<b>11a.</b>	<b>Updates</b>			
11a.194	Updates sent	DS	3Jul2025	y
<b>11b.</b>	<b>Macmillan Way footpath at Swallow Barn</b>			
11b.195	Daniel Gordon, Rights of Way Officer, East Mendip has responded to the Clerk about the enforcement notice. Clerk to follow up.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing
<b>11c.</b>	<b>Hoopers Lodge</b>			
11c.196	Clerk to draft letters to SC - lack of courtesy in not responding to residents and Cllrs, lack of enforcement and to the landowner - inform of enforcement notice.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing
11c.197	Formal complaint that enforcement is now with residents and BDPC.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing
<b>11d.</b>	<b>Public right of way Clareham Lane, Colliers Lane</b>			
11d.198	No further action.	none	n/a	n/a

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<b>11.</b>	<b>Planning Matters (cont.)</b>			
<b>11e.</b>	<b>2025/1112/TCA Cypress fell at Froggs Bottom</b>			
11e.199	No objection.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>11f.</b>	<b>2025/1413/AGE Slurry Lagoon at Foxholes Lane</b>			
11f.200	Clerk to draft response highlighting safety.	DS	asap	ongoing
<b>11g.</b>	<b>2025/1113/TCA Maple tree crown lift, tidy up 4 St Michaels Close</b>			
11g.201	No objection.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>11h.</b>	<b>2025/1384/FUL Lydes Farm conversion of garage, store to 2x holiday lets</b>			
11h.201	No objection. Clerk to respond requesting that if permission is granted then conditions stated pertaining to lighting and bats must be met.	DS	1Sep2025	y
11h.202	Clerk to pursue reduction of response window with SC.	DS	16Oct2025	ongoing
	JR closed Meeting at 20.50. 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			