

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF STANTON DREW PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 4th MARCH 2025 7.30 P.M.
AT THE VILLAGE HALL SANDY LANE**

Present: Chairman: Mr J Hudson Vice-Chairman: Mrs L Richardson.
Mrs S Cran, Mr I Batchelor, Mr G Lewis, Mr D Marchant, Mr M Jones.
Ward Councillor Mr D Harding. Clerk: Mrs J Bragg

1. Public Participation: There were no members of the public present.

2. Apologies for Absence: No apologies to note.

3. To receive notification of any Members' personal or prejudicial interest in any item on the Agenda: No interests to note.

4. To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on

Tuesday 4th February 2025: After being circulated and read the minutes were proposed (LR)) and seconded (IB) as a true and accurate record.

5. Updates from Ward Councillor Mr Dave Harding: Updates on B&NES Budget & Council Tax given. Clean & Green Team now has further funding. A368 Speed Limit Changes have been approved. Somer Valley Links Consultation had been circulated.

6. To receive updates on current matters: a) **Allotments:** Completed Tenancy Agreements & Payments are awaited. The Primary School would like to take the Vacant Plot. It was suggested to apply for funding from the PPSCOT for the rental. Clearing of pathway awaited.

b) **Play Area:** Ward Councillor had followed up the CAT with B&NES. Vice Chairman will complete an updated CAT application. Parish Council agreed that the Community should be involved with equipment choices should the CAT be successful. Equipment at other play areas will be looked at for ideas. (CAT: Community Asset Transfer)

c) **The Causeway:** No update to offer.

d) **Bridge Brook Cottage – Grade II Listed Bridge:** Clerk confirmed no response from B&NES regarding both. Ward Councillor will follow up.

e) **Emergency Plan:** April Agenda.

7. Matters for Discussion/Decision: a) Somer Valley Links Consultation: The Parish Council discussed the consultation and the impact of the proposed Travel Hubs. It was agreed to submit a response from the Parish Council objecting to the proposals for Pensford Bridge on a number of grounds. Those being parking, congestion, pollution. The Parish Council will suggest more suitable locations as B3130/A37 Belluton or Chelwood.

b) **Tenders Received:** The tenders received were considered and approved. Proposed (SC) and seconded (MJ)

8. Reports: a) **Clerks Update Report: Training for Councillors:** Clerk has e.mailed ALCA regarding a block training course, advice regarding Planning & Property Law and the provision of copies of Parish Council documents to Members of the Public.

The Causeway: No further update since last month.

Award Nomination for Chelwood Rotary: Submission was made last month of the Parish Councils nomination. Confirmation of receipt/consideration has been received.

Stanton Drew & Stanton Wick Road Signs: Last Month a Member of the public reported to the Parish Council road signs which are round the wrong way, leaning over or obscured by vegetation, if photos can be taken these can then be logged with Fix My Street.

Parish Council Cemetery: A burial took place in the Parish Council Cemetery.

Clerk liaised with a Monumental Mason in respect of a previous Cremation at the Cemetery regarding the proposal for a Headstone.

Richard Jones Foundation: The next meeting of the trustees takes place on Wednesday

16th April 2025. Applications for Grants should be submitted by Monday 31st March at the latest.

2025/26 Highways Maintenance Block Programme: Clerk circulated to all the Chew Valley Ward Allocated Programmes in the 2025/26 Budget.

Speed Limit Notice: Clerk circulated the proposed TRO Speed Limit alterations on the A368 & A37 Roads.

Red Reusable Bag Trial: Clerk circulated from B&NES Media release regarding the trial of Red Reusable Bags to 500 homes in B&NES. The results of the trial will be presented to the Cabinet in the Summer.

9. Planning: Planning Applications Received: 25/00687/FUL Land At Rear Of Carpenter's Arms Wick Lane Stanton Wick. Erection of a new-build dwelling and associated works. Site visit to be arranged.

24/02838/TPIP Land to South of 2 The Orchard Stanton Drew. Technical details Consent for the erection of three "Passivhaus" dwellings and private allotments with associated access, drainage and hard/soft landscape works, pursuant to permission in principle ref 22/02743/PIP: Vice Chairman to circulate comments.

Planning Outcomes Received: None to note.

10. Financial: Payments to be authorised over £100.00

Mrs J Bragg	Salary	844.29
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Payments to be authorised:

Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Imprest	30.17
HMRC	Clerk NI & Tax	104.36

Receipts to note: None to note.

11. Items to carry forward to next meeting. Allotments, Policies/Policy Wording/ Emergency Plan/Play Area/The Causeway/Bridges.

12. To Note Future Meetings: DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:
Tuesday 1st April 2025