

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF A MONTHLY MEETING
OF STANTON DREW PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 5th AUGUST 2025 7.00 P.M.
AT THE VILLAGE HALL SANDY LANE**

Present: Chairman: Mr G Lewis Vice-Chairman: Mr J Hudson.

Mrs L Richardson, Mr I Batchelor, Mr D Marchant. Clerk: Mrs J Bragg.

Mrs R Atkin.

1. Public Participation: There were no members of the public present. Parish Council discussed the Allotment Plot donated to the School. A signed Tenancy Agreement is awaited. A request for a Poly Tunnel on the site had been made. Further details are awaited. Clerk will invite a School Representative to the September meeting for an update on how the Allotment Plot will be utilised within the school curriculum.

2. Apologies for Absence were received from Mr M Jones and Cllr D Harding.

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

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

Tuesday 1st July 2025: After being circulated and read the minutes were proposed (IB) and seconded (LR) as being a true and accurate record and duly signed by the Chairman.

5. Updates from Ward Councillor Mr Dave Harding: No updates to note.

6. To receive updates on current matters: a) Play Area: Further repairs had been necessary to the fences over the tunnels. A goal post had been broken. The Basket Swing now deteriorating will be removed. Parish Council agreed to start to obtain advice and quotes for new play equipment. Clerk to contact GB Sports. Clerk to contact Bishop Sutton Parish Council in relation to the supplier of their Play Equipment.

7. Matters for Discussion/Decision: a) To Co-opt Parish Councillor to Vacancy: The Parish Council unanimously co-opted Mrs R Atkin to the Parish Council.

b) To discuss Play Area CAT & to agree regarding legal representation: The Business Plan had been agreed. The draft Heads of Terms and draft Partnership Agreement had been received and circulated. Clerk to reply to thank B&NES and to clarify wording "waiving rent to a peppercorn. Response to B&NES also to request that the area is referred to as The Recreation Area (abbreviating to The Rec) instead of the Play Area. Clerk to also ask B&NES to note that there are no buildings on the land so references to those in the 2 documents are N/A. Clerk to obtain options for a Solicitor to act on behalf of the Parish Council.

8. Reports: a) Clerks Update Report: Training for Councillors: ALCA training new dates have now been offered for a Saturday morning, clerk has circulated.

Defibrillator: New pads need to be progressed before October. The Pads need ordering and replacing before September. Clerk to progress. The Defibrillator Sign is now faded and needs replacing. Clerk to contact AED for cost.

Bank Signatories: Clerk still awaits forms from Bank for completion.

Public Rights of Way: CL18/18 running between Old Tarnwell and Stanton Wick Lane, near Upper Stanton Drew. The new footbridge has now been installed and the footpath is open.

Chew Valley Forum: Clerk circulated notes from the last meeting. The next meeting takes place on 25th September 2025, venue to be confirmed.

Housing Need: Clerk received an e.mail from a parishioner in Bishop Sutton in Housing Need Crisis. Details have been sent to the Ward Councillor.

Remembrance Sunday: Clerk has e.mailed Traffic Management B&NES to ask for relevant forms for Road Closure again for the Remembrance Service.

Causeway Works: The works are ongoing. Dead Trees have been reported to the Parish Council on the bank opposite the Causeway. Clerk to report.

9. Planning: Planning Outcomes Received: 25/00994/FUL Church Farm Church Lane Stanton Drew Construct a small, wooden stable block, change of use to equestrian to the Stable area. **Permit**

25/01562/ADCOU Halfway Farm Stanton Road Stanton Drew. Prior approval request for the change of use of agricultural building to 4no one bed dwelling houses (Use Class C3).

REFUSE

25/00687/FUL Land at rear of Carpenters Arms, Wick Lane, Stanton Wick. Erection of a new self-build dwelling and associated works. **PERMIT**

10. Financial: Payments to be authorised over £100.00 Proposed (JH) Seconded (RA)

Mrs J Bragg	Salary (SCP 21)	844.09
D Lucas	2 x Cut, 1 x Strim Play Area	203.00
HMRC	Clerk NI & Tax	157.90
D Malpass	Footpaths Clearance May-June	199.50

Payments to be authorised:

Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Imprest	23.99
NSALG	Allotment Membership Renewal	45.50

Receipts to note:

11. B) To note & Sign Off Audited Accounts: The Accounts were awaited.

12a. Under section 3.7 of the Standing Orders the Parish Council discussed an ongoing complaint and requested that before the next meeting the Clerk should seek advice from both ALCA & B&NES, and if they advise find options for appropriate legal advice.

12b. Items to carry forward to next meeting: Remembrance Sunday. Accounts. Play Equipment/Play Area. Causeway. Defibrillator. Ongoing complaint.

13. To Note Future Meetings: DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

Tuesday 2nd September 2025 at 7.30pm