

**MINUTES OF A MONTHLY MEETING OF STANTON DREW PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2026 7.30 P.M.
AT THE VILLAGE HALL SANDY LANE**

Present: Chairman Mr G Lewis

Mrs L Richardson, Mr D Marchant, Ward Councillor Mr D Harding. Clerk: Mrs J Bragg.

- 1. Public Participation:** There were no members present.
- 2. Apologies for Absence** were received from Mr M Jones, Mr J Hudson, Mr I Batchelor, Mrs R Atkin.
- 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 4th August 2026:** After being circulated and read the minutes were proposed (LR) and seconded (DM) and signed as a true and accurate record. Duly signed by the Chairman.
- 5. Updates from Ward Councillor Mr Dave Harding:** Ward Councillor reported that the Draft Local Plan had now been released. The target for B&NES housing had doubled. Sites in the Chew Valley had been identified with concerns raised regarding already limited School places, increased traffic & GP Places.
A meeting is scheduled with Avon & Somerset Police, B&NES Council Leader and PCC to discuss Road Safety at Herriotts Green, Bishop Sutton and surrounding areas.
- 6. To receive updates on current matters:**
 - a) Play Area/Play Equipment Creative Play:** Updated quotes had been circulated. Smaller items of play equipment have been removed from the quotes and grants can be applied for these at a later stage.
 - b) Play Area Grants:** Grants have been applied for through the Village Hall Committee Trustees, PPCST, Diamond Fund and a local Business.
 - c) Allotments:** Plot allocation was confirmed. There are currently no vacant plots. A recent water leak had been dealt with accordingly.
 - d) Solicitor:** Clerk to respond regarding services at the Play Area.
- 7. Matters for Discussion/Decision:** Play Area: Clerk actioned to find out who signs the Lease at the Play Area once all completed.
- 8. Reports:**
 - a) Clerks Update Report: Rotary Club Community Award Nomination Request:** No nomination submitted.
 - Fix My Street Issue:** Bin by Primary School: Reported to B&NES as overflowing.
 - Telephone Cable:** Broken Telephone cable was reported to Truespeed. Still awaits attention.
 - Sand/Ballast Bags:** Bags left in Stanton Wick Lane were reported to fix my street. All cleared now.
 - Green Belt Land:** Member of public raised concerns again regarding Green Belt land and clearing of it. Clerk advised member of public again to lodge concerns with Enforcement if they think there is a breach.
 - Bleed Kits:** Clerk to progress. Clerk contacted local Fire station to find out where they obtained theirs. This was also from Heartsafe. Other parishes have obtained them through an initiative which Avon & Somerset Police were offering.
 - Chew Valley Solutions Meeting:** The next meeting takes place on Wednesday 23rd September at 6.30pm in Compton Martin Village Hall. Updates will be given on activities so far and in particular on the engagement activities and plans with the agencies such as B&NES, PCC, Avon and Somerset Police. Two members of each parish council are invited to go along.

Remembrance Sunday: Clerk has e.mailed B&NES to apply for the Road Closure again this year. Timing will be the same as last year between 10.45am – 11.30am, Confirmation awaited.

Review of Payroll Contract: Clerk confirmed to payroll that the Parish Council are happy to remain with the Payroll Service. Contract signed accordingly and returned.

Draft Local Plan: Consultation now open. Clerk has circulated details regarding where documents can be viewed.

9. Planning: Planning Applications Received: No applications received.

Planning Outcomes: There were no outcomes to report.

10. Financial: Payments to be authorised over £100.00 Proposed (DM) Seconded (LR)

Mrs J Bragg	Salary (SCP 21)	844.29
HMRC	Clerk NI & Tax	157.70
D Lucas	Cut x 1, Strim x 1 Play Area	128.00
Parish Hall	Hall Hire fees x 24	216.00
ALCA	Subs 2026	230.41
ROSPA	Play Area Annual Inspection	133.20

Payments to be authorised:

Mrs J Bragg	Clerk Imprest
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Receipts to note:

11. Items to carry forward to next meeting. Play Area, Remembrance Sunday, Bank Account update.

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

Tuesday 6th October 2026