

MINUTES FOR THE BURROWBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING TUESDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2026

DECLARATION OF INTEREST: There was none

Welcome: S.Kirk, L.Jeanes, H.Husain, N. McGrath, I.Foster, D.Fothergill, D. House, Parish Clerk

Apologies: M.Jay

1584. Question & Answer Session: Members of the Public: Approximately 15 members of the public attended the meeting to raise their concerns over the delayed action of the Environment Agency in operating the pumps at Northmoor. A meeting has been arranged for Ian Withers, EA, to meet with the residents. Gideon Amos will be asked if he is available to attend. Questions are to be emailed to the Clerk who will forward them to David Fothergill. The Date of the meeting is 24th March 2026 at 7pm. From this meeting action points will be agreed. All agreed that preparation for any floods will commence from November each year.

Action: DF/DH

1585. Minutes of January's meeting: These were signed once the action points were checked.

1586. Matters arising from the previous Minutes: There were none.

1587. Finance: a. Update on Finance: The Clerk informed the meeting that the balance in the Business Active Savings Account is £11,013.18, £755.23 in the Community Account. £437.78 in The Coach House Account.

b. Parish Clerk's Salary. The Clerk's presented her January Salary. SK approved, SW seconded.

c. Parish Clerk's Expenses: The Clerk presented her expenses for £21.53 which include Stationery and mileage. SK proposed and SW seconded.

d. WiFi Invoice: The Invoice to supply WiFi to the Village Hall £602.88 was authorised. SK approved, SW Seconded.

Action: DH

e. Hire of Village Hall Invoice: This has been requested.

Action: DH

f. Any Other Financial Business: Somerset Accountancy Services: The invoice £133.20 was authorised by email to enable prompt payment.

Action: DH

1588. Planning Application: a) 51/26/0001: Variation of Condition No. 02 of application 51/23/0005 for minor amendments to include a roof terrace, change the location of the dwelling and raise the floor levels at Oak Lodge, Stathe Road, Burrowbridge. **This application was not supported**

b) 51/26/0002/CQ: Application for prior Approval for proposed change of use from agricultural building to 1 No. dwelling house and associated building operations at Levels Basket Barn, Stathe.

****This application is supported.****

c) 51/25/0016: Erection of a single storey extension to the front and side, with roof terrace, at Waterside Cottage, Stathe Road. **This application is supported.**

Comments for the above planning applications can be viewed on: www.somerset.gov.uk/Planning-West-Apps

1589. Footpaths: The overgrown steps at the Burrow Mump has been reported to the National Trust.

1590. Highways: Flooding on Stathe Road: Highways will be asked to re-commence repair works on this stretch of road. The flooding has previously, on a number of occasions, been reported via Highways reporting website. Previous correspondence will be re-submitted to Highways as there has been a change of management.

Action: DH

1591. Parish Land: a. Information about the sizes and design of signs are being gathered.

Action: DH/SW

1592. The Coach House: Nothing to Report

1593.Flood Resilience: Nothing to Report

1594.Neighbourhood Watch/Police Matters: a. Community Speed Watch Team: Training dates have been arranged but due to the adverse weather, these have been cancelled. **Action: DH**

1595. SALC: Nothing to Report

1596.Correspondence: See Agenda point: 1589.

1597.LCN: Nothing to Report

1598.APM: The Presenters and arrangements for the Buffet have been arranged. **Action: DH**

1599.Items of Information Council Only: The Bridge Magazine: Unfortunately, the representatives from The Bridge Magazine could not attend the meeting, but a summary of the concerns have been highlighted to the meeting. The meeting agreed that the publication of the magazine must be supported as it is a vital communication tool to the Parish. A number of magazines are posted at a charge to the Bridge Magazine. These residents will be asked if they could receive the magazine by email. There is not a volunteer to deliver along the A361, Neil has said that he will deliver to his neighbours along the A361.

Action: SW/DH/N.McG

Matters to be reported:

S. Kirk Chairman:

Date: 3rd March 2026

Close of Meeting: 2100

