

BURROWBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 2nd June 2026

DECLARATION OF INTEREST: There was none

Welcome: S.Kirk, M.Jay, I.Foster, N. McGrath, H.Husain, David Fothergill, District Councillor,
D. House, Parish Clerk

Apologies: S.Wilton, L.Jeanes

Burrowbridge – Traffic Signal Replacement – Starting 3rd August 2026

June's scheduled meeting focused on the recent drop-in session regarding the forthcoming closure of Burrowbridge for Traffic Signal Replacement. The closure date has now been moved to 3rd August 2026 to avoid clashing with planned roadworks in Langport.

Updates will be published in **The Bridge Magazine**, on the Parish **noticeboards**, **Nextdoor App & Burrowbridge & Stathe Facebook Page**.

Key Points from the Drop-In Sessions

- **Pedestrian access** across the bridge will be maintained, subject to Health & Safety requirements.
- **Wider diversion signage** was recommended, particularly to assist traffic during any M5 closures.
- **Wessex Water** has not yet confirmed whether they intend to carry out works during the same period.
- **No weekend work** is planned.
- **Emergency services** have been notified of the closure.
- **Fixed bollards** will be installed to prevent the public from moving closure equipment.
- **Security cameras** have been requested due to previous incidents of motorists cutting padlocks on A361 flood-closure gates.

1649. Question & Answer Session: Members of the Public: There were none

1650. Minutes of May's meeting: The minutes were signed once the action points were checked.

1651. Matters arising from the previous Minutes: Nothing to Report

- a. **1652 a. Finance: Update on Finance:** The Clerk informed the meeting that the balance in the Business Active Savings Account is £12,451.99 Community Account £518.33. Coach House Account £437.78.
- b. **APM Expenses – Buffet:** The invoice of £67.70 was approved by SK, seconded by HH. **Action: DH**
- c. **Parish Clerk's May's Salary:** The Parish Clerk's May's Salary was approved. SK proposed, HH seconded.
- d. **Parish Clerk's Expenses:** The Clerk presented expenses for May which included £44.70 Beverages for the APM, Flowers were purchased for Julie Pocock and Sue Nichols to say "Thank You" for preparing the Buffet for the APM. SK Proposed, HH seconded.
- e. **Insurance Invoice:** The invoice from Zurich Town and Parish Insurer was approved by SK, seconded by HH. **Action: DH**
- f. **Gardeners Invoice:** The Gardeners Invoice of £36.00 was approved. SK proposed, HH seconded. **Action: DH**

- g. **Donation to St Michael's Church:** The Parish Council have previously approved a donation to St Michael's Church for the help with preparing the buffet for the APM. This will be paid once the auditor has finalised 2025/26 accounts. **Action: DH**
- h. **Somerset Accountancy Services:** The invoice for payroll services was presented £133.20. The Clerk advised the meeting that she will look to see if there are any cost saving with regard to this charge. **Action: DH**
- i. **Starboard Systems: Accountancy System:** The Invoice for £322.56 was approved. SK approved, HH seconded. **Action: DH**
- j. **Any Other Financial Business: See points g & h.**

1653. Planning Application: 51/26/0005/CQ Proposal: Application for Prior Approval for proposed change of use from agricultural building into 1 No. dwelling house (Class C3) and associated building operations at Athelney Barn, Stanmoor Road, Burrowbridge. This was fully supported by the Parish Council. **Action: DH**

1654. Footpaths: Damaged Gate#9232 Path No: T 25/2. The Clerk is still waiting to hear from the Footpath Officer. A date for the repair has not been confirmed. **Action: DH**

1655. Highways: Nothing to Report

1656. Parish Land: a. Community Garden: Brian has asked if could purchase some bulbs and flowers to give the garden more colour. A budget of £150.00 has been agreed. **Action: DH**

1657. The Coach House: Nothing to Report

1658. Flood Resilience: Work in progress

1659. SALC: Nothing to Report

1660. Neighbourhood Watch/Police matters: Nothing to Report

1661. Speed Watch: The Speed watch team plan to meet up monthly. **Action: DH**

1662. Correspondence: Nothing to Report.

1663. LCN: Nothing to Report

1664. APM: A review of the APM will be discussed at the meeting to be held 7th July 2026

1665. Items of Information Council Only: Presentation about the closure of the Burrowbridge Bridge.

S. Kirk Chairman:

Date: 7th July 2026

Close of Meeting: 2050