

# Yeovilton & District Parish Council



## MINUTES OF THE YEOVILTON AND DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, TUESDAY 08 JULY 2025, AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, YEOVILTON 7.30PM

**Present:** Mr S Hodgson (Chairman) (SH), Mr R Moffatt (Vice Chairman) (RM), Mr J Gordon (JG), Mr A Hickman (AH), Mr G Macrory (GM), Mrs N Moore, (NM) (Clerk).

Thirteen members of the public were present.

1. **Apologies:** Paul Crang (PC), Phil Jones (PJ). Kevin Mesenger (KM)
2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025 were signed as an accurate record.
3. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes:** None.
5. **Flooding Issues:**

5.1 SH is arranging a meeting with PC and JG to discuss SRA grants from the Community Flood Action Fund. At least 3 quotes will be required for proposed work. The intention is to deepen Park Brook to add resilience to flood management and defences. This will be available until mid-August but if it is already exhausted, plans can be in place for 2026/27. JG felt that the action still sits with Somerset Council as they have suggested a resolution including Park Brook. More discussion is needed. **Action: Cllr H Hobhouse (HH) to talk to Tracy and report back at the next meeting.**

5.2 The flood depth gauge at Limington has not yet been programmed by the contractor. The Ilchester additional flood warden will be discussed at the Ilchester PC meeting on 10 July. SH has approached flood warden volunteers for the Stockwich crossroads, both Bridgehampton and Podimore sides.

### 6. **Open Session:**

6.1 **Somerset Councillors:** HH gave the following report. Regarding the budget, Somerset Council have saved £35.5M this year due to a good 151 officer, who held directors to the budget. This is not an enormous amount but means that there is a reserve of £36M.

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7.2 **RNAS Report.** PJ was unable to attend the meeting but gave the following report: two complaints have been received since the last meeting, one in Limington and the other Bridgehampton. Both correct flying profiles into the airfield. PJ asked that it be reiterated that the

process for reporting complaints is on the website, and that people should individually report complaints otherwise this will distort the picture. GM will send SH a link for the website which will provide evidence to back up complaints if necessary. **Action: GM**

**7.3 Church Report:** Rev B Faulkner (BF) announced that after nearly five years, the proposed planning will take place providing better facilities for the church, including an enlarged area for community use. There will be an initial meeting with the building and environmental advisor regarding heating. BF announced that tickets are now on sale for the Cider and Sozzle event on

## **7. Planning:**

23/01879/OUT. Moonwinds Quarantine and Boarding Kennels, Limington Road, Ilchester. Outline application with all matters reserved save for access for the demolition of existing buildings, erection of 5 dwellings, creation of a new access and provision of associated infrastructure – awaiting decision. 19 Jan 24, response from Vice Chair of South Planning responding to HH comment. Happy for the decision to be made by delegated authority.

23/01011/PAMB. Higher Farm, Higher Farm Lane, Podimore. BA22 8JQ. An appeal has been lodged in respect of the application decision on changing agricultural buildings into 5 dwellings. HH has submitted an objection on the grounds of the narrow bridge over the A303. This is only a single carriageway with no facilities for passing. Appeal in process.

24/00557/FUL. Three Acres, Limington Rd, BA22 8XL. Change of use of the existing buildings to provide overnight dog boarding accommodation, along with staff accommodation above, in association with day care facility. External alterations to the existing building (retrospective) – Objection lodged. It was noted by the committee that the proposed escape route was into an area which floods regularly. Therefore, this would be inappropriate evacuation route. HH has raised an objection on the fact that the neutrality rules have been ignored and staff are now sleeping on site. Condition: Surface Water Drainage Strategy (Compliance). The development shall only be carried out in accordance with the approved Foul Drainage in order to ensure the provision of satisfactory drainage and avoid pollution of the environment.

24/02015/FUL. RNAS Yeovilton, BA22 8HT. Proposed drainage remediation on land to the north and south of Heathcote Road (B3151). Agreed subject to IDB report compliance. Work behind the Senior Rates Mess is ongoing. Work behind the Senior Rates Mess is ongoing.

24/02368/FUL. Land adjoining Keepers, Bineham Lane, Yeovilton. Replacement at workshop and garage with self-catering holiday let. Awaiting decision.

24/02923/LBC. Lower Farm (lot 3), Mill Lane, Limington BA22 8EJ. Conversion of 2 agricultural barns into a self-build residential dwelling with integrated annex. Awaiting decision.

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25/00380/FUL. Higher Farm Cottages, Higher Farm Lane, Podimore, BA22 8JQ. Conversion of the existing two dwellings into a single dwelling house and erection of a single storey extension to the rear. Erection of a detached garage along with associated works including landscaping. Awaiting decision. Objection submitted by Y&DPC 07 March 2025.

25/00308/S73A. Land west of Manor Farm, Ashington Lane, Chiton Cantelo, BA22 8EE. Proposal: S73A application to vary condition 3 to allow use of part of existing barn required for storage of hay, straw and

other feedstuffs as well as farm machinery (retrospective application). Awaiting decision. Objection submitted by Y&DPC 4 May 2025.

25/00425/OUT. Land adjacent Tremayne, Limington Road, BA22 8EQ. Outline planning permission with some matters reserved except access for the erection of 1x no dwelling. Awaiting decision. Action: JS to discuss with the neighbours regarding this issue.

25/00775/REM. Land adjoining Pilgrims, Weir Lane, Yeovilton. Reserved matters application for the approval of appearance, scale, layout and landscaping for 2x dwellings pursuant to 20/02512/out (allowed on appeal). Extension for comments granted – 16 May 2025.

**8. Financial Matters:**

**Balances as at <sup>th</sup> July 2025:**

**Current account:**

**Business savings account** - £17112.33 (of which is £3993.93 Limington Fund and £5000 Podimore grant).

**Payments:**

**Receipts:**

**9. Traffic Matters:**

**10. Tree Matters:** None.

**11. Rights of Way:** No issues.

**12. Other Correspondence:** None.

**13. Any other Business:**

13.1 Hunting in the village.

**15. Date of Next Meeting:** Tuesday at St Bartholomew's Church, Yeovilton at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at pm.

**Signed:**

**Date:**