

## Buckland Dinham Meeting of the Parish Council - Minutes - 26th March 2026

<b>Present</b>	<b>Clrs: JR, AK, SH, SB</b>	Meeting opened 19:01		
In Attendance	Clerk DS	following Open Forum		
	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Resolved</b>
<b>0.</b>	<b>Public Forum</b>			
	None.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence, consideration of reasons</b>			
1.373	EK absent, no correspondence received by the Clerk,. Apologies IB.	none	26Mar2026	y
<b>2.</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>			
2.374	Clerk DS declared an interest relating to item 11c.	none	26Mar2026	y
<b>3.</b>	<b>Exclusion of the Press and Public</b>			
3.375	None.	none	26Mar2026	y
<b>4.</b>	<b>Minutes of the Full Council, previous Meeting</b>			
<b>4a.</b>	<b>To confirm or amend, sign as correct record the minutes of Buckland Dinham Full Council held 19th February 2026.</b>			
4a.376	Accepted, signed by JR	signed	26Mar2026	y
<b>5.</b>	<b>Chair's Announcements</b>			
5a.377	To be discussed in item 10b.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>6.</b>	<b>Local Authority Reports</b>			
<b>6a.</b>	<b>Avon and Somerset Police</b>			
6a.378	Report received and noted.	none	n/a	n/a
6a.379	SH to invite PSCOs Louise and Will to the Annual Parish Meeting/Annual Village Gathering.	SH	27Apr26	ongoing
<b>6b.</b>	<b>Somerset Council (SC) - Cllr Barry Clarke</b>			
6b.380	Report received and noted.	none	26Mar2026	n/a
<b>7.</b>	<b>Finance</b>			
<b>7a.</b>	<b>Annual Insurance</b>			
7a.381	Quote for 1Apr2026-31Mar2027 is £436.98, an increase of £0.17.	none	n/a	n/a
7a.382	Approved. Clerk to pay invoice.	DS	1Apr26	y
<b>7b.</b>	<b>Appointment of Auditor</b>			
7b.383	Clerk to ask for quote from previous auditor, approved.	DS	07May26	ongoing
<b>8.</b>	<b>Local Community Network</b>			
8.384	Letter of withdrawal is on hold.	DS	07May26	ongoing
8.385	JR to contact Highways sub committee member for a meeting date.	JR	07May26	ongoing
<b>9.</b>	<b>Council Reports</b>			
<b>9a.</b>	<b>Village Hall</b>			
9a.386	Report received and noted.	none	n/a	n/a
9a.387	Quote received from Howdens for a new kitchen, £10k without fitting.	SH	07May26	ongoing
9a.388	SH getting at least one more quote.	SH	07May26	ongoing
9a.389	Jon Goode will review the work needed to the floor and quote to repair it and fit the kitchen.	SH	07May26	ongoing
9a.390	The Village Hall urgently needs a Secretary and temporary Fire Officer.	All	07May26	ongoing
9a.391	Simon Andrews has resigned as Chair due to increased work commitments. BDPC thank him for all his efforts. Clerk to send a card.	DS	7May26	ongoing
<b>9b.</b>	<b>Playing Fields</b>			
9b.392	The Chair seeks advice from the PC about how to increase engagement from Residents.	none	n/a	n/a

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<b>9b.</b>	<b>Playing Fields (cont.)</b>			
9b.393	BDPFA urgently needs a Secretary and Vice Chair.	All	07May26	ongoing
9b.394	Add to the AVG(APM).	SB	27Apr26	y
9b.395	Noted the current Chair, SH would like to step down by the next AGM.	All	07May26	ongoing
<b>9c.</b>	<b>Housing Needs Survey</b>			
9c.395	Completed report has been circulated to Cllrs, approved as per item 9c.347 of 19th February 2026.	none	26Mar2026	y
9c.396	Present to the Village Gathering with the view to recruit the Steering Committee to move the project forward.	SB	27Apr26	ongoing
9c.397	If no Steering Committee is formed, then the project is inert.	All	30Jul2026	ongoing
<b>9d.</b>	<b>SALC/FML</b>			
9d.398	AK to contact Richard Ackroyd to progress.	AK	07May26	ongoing
<b>9e.</b>	<b>Village Gathering 27th April 2026</b>			
9e.399	After much discussion, the proposed format and programme with additions is approved.	none	n/a	n/a
9e.400	SB and SH to push the project forward, there's a lot to do.	SB, SH	27Apr26	ongoing
<b>10.</b>	<b>Parish Clerk</b>			
<b>10a.</b>	<b>Recruitment of a Councillor</b>			
10a.401	No update.	All	07May26	ongoing
<b>10b.</b>	<b>Flooding</b>			
10b.402	Clerk to draft letter to SC regarding the lack of attention to BD culvert referencing the Milverton culvert outcome.	DS	07May26	ongoing
<b>10c.</b>	<b>Village Emergency Plan</b>			
10c.403	Request feedback from all Residents.	All	07May26	ongoing
10c.404	Add to agenda for 07May2026.	DS	07May26	y
<b>11.</b>	<b>Planning Matters</b>			
<b>11a.</b>	<b>Updates</b>			
11a.405	None.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>11b.</b>	<b>Hoopers Lodge</b>			
11b.406	Correspondence has been received from the landowner and a resident following up their continuing concerns.	none	n/a	n/a
11b.407	Clerk to follow-up with SC, lack of action.	DS	07May26	ongoing
<b>11c.</b>	<b>2026/0212/HSE The Apple Garden</b>			
11c.408	No objection. Clerk to respond.	DS	27Mar26	y
<b>11d.</b>	<b>2026/0305/TCA 5 Court Farm</b>			
11d.409	Notification notice, no objections.	none	n/a	ongoing
<b>11e.</b>	<b>2025/1384/FUL Lydes Farm appeal</b>			
11e.410	BDPC maintains their opinion of no objection and recognises the Appeals Officer will make the decision.	none	n/a	n/a
<b>12.</b>	<b>Date of next meetings</b>			
12.411	Noted that the AVG is the Annual Parish Meeting.	none	n/a	n/a
	<b>Thursday 7th May 2026 7pm Village Hall</b>	All	07May26	y
	JR closed the Meeting at 20:49. Thank you.			

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	JR, John Reckless, AK, Alan King, SB, Sarah Barnett, IB, Ian Blair, SH, Susie Hicks, EK Elisita Kemp, DS, Diane Sleigh			
	B Clarke, Barry Clarke			