

Buckland Dinham Parish Council - Meeting Minutes - 10th April 2025

Present	Cllrs: JR, SH, SB, IB, AK	Meeting opened 19.02		
In Attendance	Clerk DS.			
	Comment	Action	Date	Resolved
0.	Public Forum			
	None	none	n/a	n/a
1.	Apologies for Absence, consideration of reasons			
1.001	EK, BClarke.	none	10Apr2025	y
2.	Declarations of Interest			
2.002	Item 11b - Chair is a neighbour of Court Farmhouse 2025/0446/TCA	none	n/a	y
3.	Exclusion of the Press and Public			
3.003	None.	none	n/a	n/a
4.	Minutes of the Full Council, previous Meeting			
4.004	Minutes of 27th February 2025 accepted, signed by JR	signed	10Apr2025	y
5.	Chair's Announcements			
5.005	Noted that a yew tree in the Churchyard will need work done on it. It has a TPO which was instigated by the Chair on a personal basis.	none	n/a	n/a
5.006	It is suggested that Cllrs consider if there are other trees in the Village which could benefit from a TPO.	All	3Jul2025	ongoing
5.007	Clerk to add 5.006 to the agenda for 3rd July 2025.	DS	16Jun2025	ongoing
5.008	Noted that an LCN Highways meeting is scheduled for 22nd April 2025 1-3pm in BDVH. LCN to pay hire cost.	none	n/a	n/a
5.009	LCN will pay VH hire cost for the above meeting. SH, DS to ensure payment.	SH, DS	30Apr2025	ongoing
5.010	Noted email received from Somerset Highways that road markings will be reinstated in this year. Clerk has responded with additional marking locations.	none	n/a	n/a
5.011	Acknowledge that Clerk is still working on the full letter to the SRA.	DS	30Apr2025	ongoing
5.012	Noted receipt of the email from the Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Somerset regarding VE day celebrations on 8th May 2025 and VJ day 15th August 2025. The public are encouraged to share their celebrations on the forums noted below.	none	n/a	n/a
5.012a	https://ve-vjday80.gov.uk/	none	n/a	n/a
5.012b	across social media using the #VE80 hashtag, with VE Day certificates available to all who participate	none	n/a	n/a
5.013	Somerset Miners Welfare Trust have offered BD a sculpture. Agreed to accept in principle. JR to liaise to discuss locations, whether it is feasible.	JR	22May2025	ongoing
6.	Local Authority Reports			
6a.	Avon and Somerset Police			
6a.014	None received.	none	n/a	n/a
6b.	Somerset Council (SC) - Cllr Barry Clarke			
6b.015	Blue note circulated. Noted that other political representatives do not engage with BDPC.	none	n/a	n/a
7.	Finance			
7a.	Approve or not Insurance quote			
7a.016	New quote accepted.	none	n/a	y
7a.017	Clerk to confirm BDPC remains insured whilst documentation discrepancies are regularised.	DS	22May2025	ongoing
7b.	Approve or not appointment of Internal Auditor			
7b.018	Approved.	DS	22May2025	ongoing

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7.	Finance (cont.)			
7c.	Thanks noted to PC from Citizens Advice, Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance	none	n/a	n/a
7c.019	Other donations being made in accordance with 7a.421 27th February 2025	DS	22May2025	ongoing
7d.	Simon Bird Memorial bench			
7d.020	Clerk to send thanks on behalf of BDPC to Sian, Lucy and Libby for the quick work in getting a new bench installed. Clerk assistance noted.	DS	22May2025	ongoing
8.	Local Community Networks			
8.021	There is an LCN meeting scheduled in Wanstrow 22nd April 2025 at 7pm.	SB, JR	22Apr2025	ongoing
8.022	SB sends apologies via JR to the above meeting.	JR	22Apr2025	ongoing
9.	Council Reports			
9a.	Road Issues			
9a1.	Speed Indication Devices (SIDs)			
9a1.023	IB is compiling a 'hotspot' report for the Police to assist them in targeting Roads Policing Unit (RPU) motorbike sessions.	IB	22Apr2025	ongoing
9a1.024	The above report would be useful to discuss at the LCN Highways meeting on 22nd April 2025 if it can be ready.	IB	22Apr2025	ongoing
9a2.	Community Speedwatch (CSW)			
9a2.025	10 sessions completed in March.	none	n/a	n/a
9a2.026	Requested that hours, stats from the Police be ready to present to the Highways LCN meeting on 22nd April 2025.	DS	22Apr2025	ongoing
9a2.027	Requested that some CSW stats be published on www.bucklanddinham.org for information.	DS	22May2025	ongoing
9b.	Village Hall			
9b.028	All running smoothly.	none	n/a	n/a
9c.	Playing Fields			
9c.029	The mower has been repaired and is working, when conditions are totally ideal.	none	n/a	n/a
9c.030	Options have been proffered by Read. AK to discuss with them to find a cost effective solution.	AK	22May2025	ongoing
9c.031	It is confirmed that the mower is owned and insured by BDPC. The BDPFA are authorised to sell it on behalf of BDPC if this is part of the solution.	none	n/a	n/a
9c.032	Noted that the Amenities Group (BAG) are meeting with the BDPFA on 14th May 2025 to discuss ways of helping.	none	n/a	n/a
9d.	Frome Missing Link			
9d.033	Very positive that a stage has been completed and the next, harder step is being considered.	none	n/a	n/a
9d.034	Clerk to find out more information about the Footpaths Liaison role, old files have been lodged with the Clerk.	DS	22May2025	ongoing
9e.	Parish Plan			
9e.035	Reported that SB, SH met Frome Town Council to share experiences of the PP process as BD has had a positive response and outcome.	none	n/a	n/a
9e.036	SB will liaise with the LCN to add a PP experience sharing item to a future agenda so all LCN members can share their experiences.	SB	22May2025	ongoing
10.	Parish Clerk			
10a.	SC trees St Michaels Close			
10a.037	Noted that Somerset Council response of No Action is very disappointing.	none	n/a	n/a
10a.038	This item will return to the agenda on 3rd July 2025.	DS	16Jun2025	ongoing

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10.	Parish Clerk (cont.)			
10b.	Recruitment of a Councillor			
10b.039	Clerk contacted someone who expressed interest at the VG but has not had a response. Investigate further with other residents.	DS	22May2025	ongoing
10c.	Flooding			
10c1.	Riparian rights and responsibilities			
10c1.040	Limited discussion.	none	n/a	n/a
10c1.041	Email noted from Emergency Volunteer Action Group (EVAG), a partnership of Rotary Club and Inner Wheel.	none	n/a	n/a
10c1.042	Clerk to liaise with SH to see if EVAG could be present at a Village event such as the Strawberry Fayre so residents are aware of their help.	DS, SH	22May2025	ongoing
10d.	Website and Emails			
10d1.	Approve or not definition policy for inclusion in the business directory			
10d1.043	Approved - That if a part of a post code is within the Parish Boundary, then all of the post code is.	none	n/a	y
10d2.	Moratorium			
10d2.044	A trading business will remain on the BD website for 5years from when the proprietor is no longer a BD resident.	none	n/a	y
10e.	Village Gathering Agenda			
10e.045	Considered a successful event although fewer attendees than the last 2 previous events.	none	n/a	n/a
10e.046	All to consider a date for 2026. It must be between 1st March and 1st June.	All	22May2025	ongoing
10f.	Village Emergency Plan			
10f.047	IB has sent BANES proforma to the Clerk, not received, both to check, resend.	DS, IB	22May2025	ongoing
10f.048	IB and AK to make a start on the work.	IB, AK	22May2025	ongoing
11.	Planning Matters			
11a.	Updates - sent			
11b.	2025/0446/TCA Court Farmhouse			
11b.049	No Objections.	none	n/a	n/a
11c.	2025/0609/LBC Nightingale Lodge			
11c.050	Approved. Clerk to add that BDPC find it regrettable that the application is retrospective.	DS	22May2025	y
11.051	Request that Planning Applications be added to www.bucklanddinham.org	DS	22May2025	ongoing
	JR closed Meeting at 21.00. Thank you.			
	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			