

PAULTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on

Tuesday 16th September 2025 at 7.00pm held in the meeting room at the Village Hall, Paulton.

PRESENT Councillors, Breeze-Crow, Ford, Hardman, Johnson, Lyons, Newton, Norman, Stevens and Wild.

IN ATTENDANCE Helen Jenkins (Clerk)
No members of the public were in attendance.

Minutes

25-110- APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received for Cllrs Bancroft, Paul and Pitt.

25-111– PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present.

25-112- DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any Declarations of Interest, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) on the agenda under Paulton Parish Council's Code of Conduct (adopted on 30th November 2021) issued in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012, SI No. 1464.

Cllrs Ford, Johnson, and Newton for the item regarding the Community Orchard and Cllr Ford for the item regarding Somersetshire Coal Canal Society (SCCS).

25-113 - CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th July 2025 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Resolved to approve the minutes of the meetings held on 15th July signed by the Chairman.

25-114 – CHAIRS REPORT

The Chairman congratulated Pride in Paulton (PIP) in winning the Best in Bloom cup and to all wins of categories in Paulton for the dedication and hard work in making Paulton such a beautiful village with their displays.

25-115 – CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk has received queries from the auditor and has responded with the information required.

25-116 – FINANCES

There are a few queries regarding some income in August 2025 to be resolved.

Deferred to the October meeting.

25-117 - INSURANCE RENEWAL

Resolved to approve costs for valuation of properties owned by the Parish Council.

25-118 - REMOTE ATTENDANCE AND PROXY VOTING

Agreed to leave this to a future meeting when more information is available.

25-119 - ANTIQUE MAP OF PAULTON PARISH

Agreed to seek advice from Radstock Museum regarding the condition and housing of the map.

25-120 - TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE COMMITTEES

Deferred to the October meeting.

25-121 – NATIONAL SALARY AWARD 2025/2026

Noted.

25-122 - CCTV POLICY FOR THE HUB AND MEMORIAL PARK AND VILLAGE HALL

Resolved to approve the policies for both The Hub and Memorial Park and Village Hall.

25-123 - PAULTON MAGAZINE

Agreed to continue with the current arrangements regarding page setting and graphic works.

25-124 - PLANNING OBLIGATIONS SPD CONSULTATION

Agreed to approve the comments from the Planning & Highways Committee meeting on 12th August 2025 on behalf of the Parish Council.

25-125 - EVENTS COMMITTEE

Noted that Cllrs Norman and Pitt have joined the Events Committee.

25-126 - COMMUNITY ORCHARD

Resolved to accept the proposal for the first phase of the plan for the orchard. Chairman to discuss details with the Groundsman.

25-127 - SOMERSETSHIRE COAL CANAL SOCIETY

Resolved to support the project and engage with the society.

25-128 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

That pursuant to the provision of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the

press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business by reason of the confidential nature of business to be transacted - Legal privilege.

25-129 INSURANCE CLAIM

Noted details given by the Clerk.

25-130 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council is on **Tuesday 21st October 2025 at 7.00pm.**

Meeting closed at 8:50pm

Signed.....
(Chairman)

Date.....

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