

# PAULTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on

Tuesday 17th March 2026 at 7.00pm held in the Village Hall, Paulton.

PRESENT Councillors, Breeze-Crow, Johnson (Chairman), Kilburn, Lyons, Newton, Norman and Wild.

IN ATTENDANCE Helen Jenkins (Clerk)  
Two members of the public were in attendance.

## Minutes

### 26-37- APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllrs Bancroft, Ford, Hardman, Paul, Pitt and Stevens.

### 26-38– PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

### 26-39- 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.

Cllr Norman for any item regarding Books & Cooks, Cllrs Hardman and Newton for any item regarding the library and Cllr Johnson for the item regarding Elm Road.

### 26-40 – CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**Resolved** to approve the minutes of the meetings held on 17th February 2026 and signed by the Chairman.

### 26-41 – CHAIRS REPORT

The Chairman advised that Rev'd Pitt had resigned from the Council but would like to be involved with events the Council hold.

### 26-42– CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk will start her CiLCA training in May and is busy preparing for that and the year end.

### 26-43 – FINANCES

The Clerk advised that there would need to be a nomination of a Councillor for the role of countersignature for the bank reconciliations.

**Resolved** that Cllr Wild will carry out this role.

**Noted** the reports.

**26-44 – VIREMENT REQUEST FOR 2025/2026**

**Resolved** to approve the virements request.

**26-45 - SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

**Resolved** to approve the schedule.

**26-46 – SWIMMING POOL**

**Resolved** to approve the budget for 2026/27 and an increase in public session prices.

**26-47 – OXLEAZE**

**Agreed** that the Parks & Amenities Committee will oversee the arrangements reporting to Council when decisions are required.

**26-48 – RAILING ON ELM ROAD**

**Resolved** to retain the railing as there is an alternative pathway that has wider access to allow pedestrians to the schools. Also, the railings act as a barrier to stop children running along the pathway into the road.

**26-49 – ANNUAL ASSEMBLY**

**Note** the date.

**26-50 – 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.

**26-51 – CAFÉ PLAN UPDATE**

**Noted** the reasons why the café had to shut from 16<sup>th</sup> March 2026 and the plans for the re-opening in place.

**26-52 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council is on **Tuesday 21st April 2026 at 7.00pm.**

**Meeting closed at 8:00pm**

Signed.....(Chairman)

Date.....