

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BUTLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 30th September 2025 IN THE CHURCH ROOM, BUTLEIGH.

PARISH COUNCILLORS PRESENT : T Willmott (Chairman). A Coleman, M Acland-Hood.

OTHERS PRESENT : Peter Keggin, Mr & Mrs Barry Foster, Pip Atkinson. James Pitman, Janet Trimmer.

APOLOGIES: K Otton

VISITING COUNCILLORS REPORTS: None received.

Pre- meeting statements and questions from members of the public in respect of business itemised on the Agenda : P Keggin: Road gully cleaning- Clerk explained the Somerset Council gully cleaning schedule.

J Trimmer – Has received the LVA Counsel Opinion under the Freedom of Information Act.

STATEMENT OF DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST : The Chairman reminded Councillors of the need to make and to have recorded any Declarations of Interest made in accordance with the Local Authorities Model Code of Conduct Order adopted on 7th August 2012. (Based on District/ County Model) (Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011).

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF 9th September 2025 . Proposed A Coleman seconded T Willmott. All in favour

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not included later as an Agenda item). Butleigh Play Area- Proposed Sub Road development pedestrian access link to the village. Further advice being sought regarding the Clause 4(a) in the Deed of Gift. The Parish Council have asked for the view of the donor of the Play Area.

A paper signed Butleigh Residents Association, sent to the BPPFA for their AGM was presented by the Chairman with regard a misleading fact about selling part of the Play Area. This was noted and the Chairman stated it was and untrue.

PLANNING:

Decisions by Mendip East

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| 2025/1348/HSE | Erection of rear extension and creation of access and driveway. Approved | Mr & Mrs Slade 14 Holm Oaks, Butleigh |
| 2025/1295/FUL | Placement of storage container on land within existing solar park. Approved | Land north of sewage disposal works, Back Town, Butleigh |
| 2025/0803/LBC | Replace like for like damaged window frame. Approved | Peony Cottage, 55 Sub Road, Butleigh |

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| 2025/0362/LBC 2025/0361/HSE | Refurbishment of North West Wing, roof and conversion of attic. Approved. | Wootton House, Back Lane, Butleigh Wootton. |
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HIGHWAYS (KO) Patching works have taken place.

TREES: Following an observation regarding the condition of trees on The Green, it was agreed to accept a quote from MTL Group Ltd- Tree Surgeons of £650 to : (Norway Maple) remove major deadwood over 50mm and suspended limbs and prune to clear street light by 2m (London Plane). Crown lift over the road to 5m and crown lift over public open space by 2.5m Proposed A Coleman. Seconded T Willmott. All in favour.

FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE (AC) Inspected all paths in the parish. All in good condition. Gate on path WS2/39 to Dove Studios needs re-hanging. WS2/41 Path down to Sub Road from Wood Lane is overgrown. Clerk to write to the residents of Corvyle Caravan Park requesting it to be cut back.

FINANCIAL APPROVALS: None

FINANCE REPORT (Clerk)

CURRENT AC

BALANCE £13,949.51
- Brisco £ 522.17

£ 13427.34

BR AC

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PRECEPT DISCUSSIONS: The Clerk presented a draft precept bid statement for consideration. A request for a further £1000 from BPFA for general running costs was agreed. The draft will be altered to incorporate this and more spending on trees and will be discussed further before agreement in December. Proposed T Willmott, Seconded A Coleman. All in favour.

Meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Next meeting 4th November 2025 at 7.30pm

Chairman

4th November 2025

