MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BUTLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 6th October 2026 at 7.30pm IN THE CHURCH ROOM, BUTLEIGH.

PARISH COUNCILLORS PRESENT : K Otton, A Coleman. D Sharland, M Acland-Hood, J Webb

OTHERS PRESENT : L Stringer, P Keggin, Mr & Mrs P O'Donoghue, A Creasey, C Haggin, J Trimmer, Mr & Mrs B Foster, Mr & Mrs D Lester.

APOLOGIES: T Willmott, J Pitman

Pre- meeting statements and questions from members of the public in respect of business itemised on the Agenda :
PKeggin – Transport Services – Castle Cary bus s being used but needs more use to justify. Slinky bus not being used enough. BATS – increase in demand. Contribution has been increased to 60p per mile therefore Street and Glastonbury is £6.50 per trip.
J Trimmer- 2026/1648/VRC Reject proposal for s73. Requires a full application. A formal complaint has been lodged.
G Lester – Explanation of the area known as 'The Bulge' at the top of the High Street. Item 13

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).

VISITING COUNCILLORS REPORTS: Monthly report from Claire Sully circulated.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF 1st September 2026 . Proposed D Sharland, seconded K Otton. All in favour

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (not included later as an Agenda item).

PLANNING:

2026/1648/VRC	**Variation/removal of conditions** **1 Plans List Compliance** **2 Materials- Submission of Schedule and samples** **5 Bicycle Storage** **6 Electric charging provision**	**West View, Sub Road, Butleigh**

	On planning consent 2022/2489/REM (Application for reserved matters) following outline approval 2018/2648/OTS for the erection of 32 dwellings with details of access only). **Matters of Appearance/ Landscaping/Layout/ Scale to be determined.** **Discharge of condition3 Reserved matters.** ***Concerns shared with residents that, given the challenges of the site, a s73 application should not be agreed without adequate site/ data analysis. Support the formal request for an independent Geo Technical slope stability risk assessment be commissioned before the s73 application is determined. So many details relevant to the site appear still not to have been determined.*** **Proposed A Coleman, seconded D Sharland. All in favour.**	
Decisions by Somerset East		
2026/1346/HSE	**Erection of rear/side extension and balcony. Refused**	**Bethel Cottage, Barton Road.**
2026/0041/APP	**Approval of details reserved by conditions 16 (Construction**	**Land at Baltonsborough Road.**

	Management Plan) on planning consent 2021/2413/FUL (Erection of 37 dwellings (Use Class C3) and a café/work hub (Use Class E) with associated access, parking and landscaping (resubmission of 2020/2674/FUL) Approved	
2026/1022/LBC	**Repairs to a damaged stone boundary wall adjacent to the public highway, and repair damaged stone pier and surrounding stone wall. Approved**	**Applecross, Water Lane.**

STREET NAMING AT THE BALTONSBOROUGH ROAD DEVELOPMENT (BUTLEIGH FIELDS) Galion have suggested Staddlecombe Lane as the main highway through the estate. It was agreed that the link was not strong enough with the village as the land concerned was in Kingweston Parish. It was suggested that the field names should be used as being more relevant to the site. The original Neville Grenville estate sale map is to be consulted and suggestions sent to Galion after the November meeting.

HIGHWAYS (KO). Drain at Grenville Close. Request for clearance.

FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE (AC). No report

FINANCE REPORT (CLERK)

CURRENT AC		**BR AC**	
BALANCE	£ 6,209.95	BALANCE	£ 3817.10
-Somerset Council	£ 101.40		
+ Somerset Council Precept	£ 10,000.00		
	£ 16,108.55	**Balance**	**£ 3817.10**

Proposed K Ototn, seconded A Coleman. All in favour

FINANCIAL APPROVALS : Zen Computers £576.00 IT Support

Somerset Council £109.20 Bin emptying. Proposed D Sharland, seconded M Acland Hood. All in favour.

PRECEPT: Draft Precept was circulated for discussion in November.

CORRESPONDENCE- 'The Bulge' at Holmans- It was agreed to ask highways to maintain the area.

MATTERS OF REPORT (Items for next meeting).

Next meeting 3rd November 2026 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

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Chairman
3rd November 2026