



Sherborne St. John Parish Council

**MINUTES of the
SHERBORNE ST. JOHN PARISH
COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday 22nd July 2026
The Chute Pavilion, Vyne Road, RG24
9HX**

Councillors present: Chair (Temporary Chair – Carl Davies (CD)), Jane Bechelet (JB), Cllr James Rowley (JR) Cllr Simon Minas-Bound (SM-B), Linda Agnew (LA) Alison Heward (AH) Clerk

Plus: Cllr Karl Rand, Cllr Jay Ganesh (BDBC), Cllr Rhydian Vaughan (H.C.C), Martin Steward – Litter Picker, Mike Greaves – Warden for Allotments
2 Members of the public

MINUTES

77/26 Election of Chair for municipal year 2026/27. Cllr Simon Minas-Bound.

Nominated by: Linda Agnew (LA) **Second by:** Jane Bechelet (JB). **Voted:** Majority

78/26 Apologies for Absence- PCSO Kane Lucas, Rosie Burton (RFO)

79/26 Declarations of interest: None

80/26 Minutes

(a) **Ratified** as a correct record of the Minutes for Annual Parish Council meeting held on the 27th of May 2026.

(b) **Ratified** as a correct record of the Minutes for Extra Ordinary Meeting held on the 24th of June 2026.

(c) **Ratified** redacted Minutes of 25th March 2026 – item 27/26 Public Question time redacted personal details.

81/26 Received a report from PCSO Kane Lucas – Clerk (AH) gave report from PCSO Kane Lucas.

Reports of opportunistic thefts from vehicles across local area, advice given to lock vehicles and do not leave any items of any value on display.

Reports of motorbikes riding over the fields and along tracks. Any information of these incidents, please report to the police immediately, giving details as much as possible.

If any problems reporting incidents, contact the Parish Council Clerk.

82/26 To receive a report from Councillor Rhydian Vaughan (Hampshire County Council)

A report submitted and discussed at the meeting. A copy is available if required, contact the clerk by email.

Reporting issues such as Faded or missing road markings, please report to <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/highways/report-a-problem/road-markings>.

Reporting issues such as rights of way: please report to: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/right-of-way/report-problem>.

When reporting an issue, an email confirming with a reference number for the report. If you would like Cllr RV to follow up this, please forward on your report with the reference and he will chase it.

Clarity of the policy for the English flags around Basingstoke, Hampshire County Council policy is not to touch or take them down.

83/26 To receive a report from Councillor Simon Minus-Bound (Basingstoke & Dean Borough Council)

New Government created and is expected to be in place by September/October time.

Primary Document is Neighbourhood Plan, then Local Plan – This will be taking place March/April 2027. It is unknown what the outcome will be at this time.

Any objections for the Cranesfield development should be submitted with full details of objections, Chair (Cllr SM-B) to investigate and report back on the portal process.

Discussion regarding Local Government reorganisation. Hampshire and the Solent combined county authority has now been formally established.

Cllr JG asked whether the leaflet for the Food Waste Bin and recycling has been received within the village, as not all the village have received it yet.

Question: Cllr JG: Infrastructure Fund had been applied for. The closing date has now passed but would need to be organised for next year's application. (Locum RFO to investigate). Deadline 20 June.

Grants still available from BDBC, HCC also has available grants.

84/26 Scheme of Delegation

- i) The following decisions made under the Scheme of Delegation (adopted on 28 February 2024) have been ratified.

Matter under consideration	Decision
REF: 26/01139/ROC Vyne Road, Sherborne St John PROPOSAL: Variation of Condition 1 (Plans) of 25/02336/ROC Change of use of land from class B1 (office) to C3 (residential) and erection of 1 no. 2 bed dwelling – Re-siting of dwelling and access, alterations to internal layout, changes to	The chalet bungalow design looks acceptable but given neighbour concerns about overlooking to Kestrel Court we would request a condition restricting further roof windows/dormers to the southwest elevation. 3 neighbours have objected.

window arrangement and new porch OBSERVATION DATE: 3RD JULY 2026	
REF: 26/01152/HSE Greenfield View, 10A Aldermaston Road, Sherborne St John PROPOSAL: Erection of detached timber framed 3 bay garage to front of property with room above including dormer and rooflights. OBSERVATION DATE: 9TH July 2026	Object-this is a large 3-bay 2 storey garage located on the front boundary in front of the building line, which will appear dominant and obtrusive in the street scene due its size and height. It is out of keeping with the other properties in Aldermaston which are all well set back from the road. Road Majority objection

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Planning

To consider applications received and resolve on recommendations to BDBC Planning Authority

- i) **26/01227/HSE**
 Location: 6 Bournefield, Sherborne St John, RG24 9JB
 Proposal: erection of a Detached garage, conversion of integral garage into habitable space with single and two storey extension to existing dwelling. Review with Amendment application
26/01139.ROC.
 Grid Ref: 462227, 155538
 Observation date: 22nd July 2026
- ii) **26/01139/ROC – Amendment**
 Location: 6 Bournefield Sherborne St John Hampshire RG24 9JB
 Proposal: Erection of a detached garage, conversion of integral garage into habitable space with single and two storey extensions to existing dwelling.
 Grid Ref: 462227, 155538
 Observation Date: 22nd JULY 2026
ACTION: For both 26/01227/HSE and 26/01139/ROC Amendment request 14 days extension so councillors can visit site and view. This a large plot and design is acceptable subject to no adverse neighbour comments. Majority objection
- iii) **T/00301/26/TCA**
 Location: Cleeves, 4 West End Road, Sherborne St John, RG24 9FL
 Proposal: T1 Weeping Willow – reduce height by approx. 4 metres shape
 Grid Ref: 461867, 155873
 Observation date: 28th July 2026

ACTION: Council would prefer the Tree Officer to make the final decision as in a conservation area.

86/26 Public Question Time

Period of time designated for Public Participation in accordance with the Standing Orders.

No public participation.

87/26 The Chute: Maintenance – Resolution to defer to next meeting items from ii) – v) once a site visit to the Chute has taken place. Clerk to arrange date.

- i) Plumbing repairs and legionella required works – Works have been carried out to remove shower in store cupboard and hot water tap in ladies changing room. Completed awaiting invoice
- ii) Deep Cleaning of the Chute Pavillion – Clerk to advice on verbal quotes and site visits from contractors. – School holidays would be the best time due to length of time for works to be completed. One quote £2,860 Clear View. Have another company who did our gutters can provide a quote. APPROVED.
- iii) Hire Prices & Hire Agreements – Reviews of all agreements and price increases – To Defer to next meeting.
- iv) Plant Room/Boiler Room Safety Concerns – Visit to boiler room to show works needed and why – quotes to be obtained to deferred to next meeting.
- v) Risk Assessments & Health and Safety – Tree surgeon required, previously approved but works not completed. Quote £970 inc VAT.

88/26 Church Request for Funding for School Hampers & Activity Day

Request for £250 to provide hampers for children who have free school dinners and activity day on 21st August 2026 and provide a meal. Request for Parish Council to weaver the hire cost and deposit for the Chute Pavilion for this event.

ACTION: Approved to pay £250 and weaver cost of hire and deposit.

89/26 Allotments:

- i) Cranes Road allotment water installation - completed.
- ii) Site Visit by Head Teacher for the School allotment plot, Terms of Agreement to be drafted by Clerk/warden.
- iii) Waiting List for Allotments at Elm Road

90/26 Finance:

- i) **RESOLVED** the Cash Flow Report and payments – Approved & Signed by Chair (Cllr SM-B)
- ii) **RESOLVED** the Bank Reconciliation prepared by RFO (RB) – Approved & Signed as correct by Chair (Cllr SM-B)

91/26 Scribe Bookings – Previously approved under Scheme of Delegation (27th May 2026 – item 54/26) the new booking system installation date to be confirmed with Scribe by Clerk and Locum RFO to help set up.

92/26 Play Park Project – Clerk (AH) reported the progress made on the resurfacing of the playground. Levelling, topsoil, and turf has been completed. Original matting was also in the process of being reinstated. Additional costs for damaged matting and pegs and a recalculation of turf, still within the agreed price range from Extra Ordinary Meeting 19th July 2026.

93/26 Councillors Reports – No Reports

94/26 Correspondence, AOB, urgent matters

- i) **Cricket Club request to use the Chute Pavilion.** Email requesting the use of the Chute Pavilion for a new cricket club. Further investigations to be made with the Football club and other requirements of the Chute Pavilion before approval. Cricket previously played on the grounds in the past. Could provide an additional income during the summer season. Clerk (AH) and Chair (Cllr SM-B) to investigate and arrange a meeting with Football Club.

95/26 Date of next meeting

Motion put forward to increase monthly Parish Council Meetings. No meeting in August. Approved monthly meetings from September 2026 with a view to review after 6 months.

The date of the next **Sherborne St. John Parish Council Meeting** will take place on **23rd September 2026 in The Chute Pavilion, Vyne Road, at 7:15pm**

Being no further business, Chair closed the meeting at 9:15 pm. General public requested to leave the meeting for next item on Agenda, Confidential Session.

DRAFT MINUTES TO BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING