



Sherborne St. John Parish Council

**MINUTES of the
SHERBORNE ST. JOHN PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING
Wednesday 23rd July 2025 The Chute Pavilion, Vyne
Road, RG24 9HX**

Councillors present: Richard Morgan – Chair (RM), Jane Bechelet (JB), Linda Agnew (LA,) and Cllr James Rowley (JR)

Plus: Cllr Simon Minas-Bound (Basingstoke & Dean BC).

Plus: Rosie Burton (RB) – Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer
Terry Buller – Grounds/Site Manager,
Allotment Warden (Mike Greaves,)
2 members of the public

MINUTES

62/25 Apologies for Absence

Carl Davies (CD), Cllr Rhydian Vaughan (HCC), PC Ulrike Maier (28153)

63/25 Declarations of interest

None

64/25 Minutes

i) The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on **21st May 2025** were approved.

65/25 To receive a report from PC Ulrike Maier

None

66/25 To receive a report from Councillor Rhydian Vaughan (Hampshire County Council)

A summer report was submitted which was discussed at the meeting.

Discussion took place

68/25 Scheme of Delegation

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

Matter under consideration	Decision
Quote received to repair Junior playground on Chute playing fields	Ratify approval to pay for repairs to play equipment of £735 incl VAT
Quote received to repair infant's playground on Chute playing fields	Ratify approval to pay for repairs to play equipment of £428.70 incl VAT
<p>Tennis Courts</p> <p>Planning Ref: <u>24/01947/FUL</u> BDBC Appeal Ref: <u>25/00035/REF</u> Inspectorate Appeal Ref: <u>APP/H1705/W/25/3367849</u> TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL UNDER SECTION 78 Location: Weybrook View Aldermaston Road Sherborne St John Hampshire RG24 9JY Proposal: Erection of 2 no. commercial buildings for a flexible use (Class E or B8) and change of use of land from agricultural to storage. Appellant's name: Mr Miller Appeal start date: 25 June 2025 Appeal end date: 30 July 2025</p>	<p>Approval of quotation (£350 plus vat) to treat the two tennis courts with weed and moss killer</p> <p>Comments submitted under Planning portal: Details attached</p>
<p><u>25/01141/HSE:</u> 3 Oak Field Gardens, Sherborne St John Hampshire RG24 9YG</p> <p>PROPOSAL: Erection of a single storey glass room to rear elevation</p>	By Majority decision via email NO OBJECTON
<p><u>25/00988/HSE:</u> 18 Tubb Way, Basingstoke Hampshire RG24 9QA</p> <p>PROPOSAL: Single Storey Rear Extension and Internal Alterations to create a Disabled Living Accommodation.</p>	By Majority decision via email NO OBJECTON
<p><u>25/01285/LDPO:</u> 11A Manor Road, Sherborne St John, Hampshire RG24 9JJ</p> <p>PROPOSAL: Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed erection of a single storey rear</p>	<p>Majority reply was not reached.</p> <p>No comment was made to BDBC although the application was only to determine whether the proposed works constitute permitted development.</p>

extension following demolition of existing conservatory	
T/00290/25/TCA: 4A Cranes Road, Sherborne St John, Hampshire RG24 9HY PROPOSAL: T1 - Multi-stemmed Lime crownlift to 5.3m over the highway, remove hanging branches, remove basal growth and sever Ivy. G2 - Group of Cypress cutback to boundary line. T3 - Field Maple remove 1 x branch back to source. T4 - 1 x Apple fell.	By Majority decision via email NO OBJECTON
25/01390/HSE: 3 Oak Field Gardens, Sherborne St John, Hampshire RG24 9YG PROPOSAL: conversion of existing open double carport to enclosed garaged with no. 8 Photovoltaic panels to roof	By Majority decision via email NO OBJECTON
25/01537/LDEU: 8 Sireburne Close, Sherborne St John, Hampshire RG24 9YZ PROPOSAL: Application for Certificate of Lawfulness for use of part of garage as habitable room	By Majority decision via email NO OBJECTON
Lengthsman – quote received to repair Village Map Notice Board	Approval of quotation for repairs to Village Map notice board at the cost of £460 plus VAT

69/25

Planning

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

i) **25/01612/FUL:**

Location: 15 July 2025 Land North and South of Rookery Farm Lane Monk Sherborne Hampshire

Proposal: Proposed solar farm, associated infrastructure including underground cable route, internal access tracks and landscaping.

Grid Ref: 460551, 154913 Land North and South of Rookery Farm Lane Monk Sherborne Hampshire

Observation date: 5th August 2025

Decision: To submit a holding objection to the borough council to explain that we will be liaising with Monk Sherborne Parish Council and our planning advisors to produce a more detailed response which will require additional time to prepare. JR to action

70/25

Public Question Time

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

The following comments were made by the public:

- i) Disabled Access to village green – To be discussed
- ii) 'Dog fouling' sign along Church path is in the hedge – PCC (Parish Church Council) to action
- iii) THE CHUTE sign at entrance to car park is in poor condition – JB to ask Lengthsman
- iv) The website needs improving – RB to look into this
- v) New litter bins around village requested. – AH to action.

71/25 Reversal of Motion 25/25

DISCUSSED and RESOLVED a decision not to consider reviewing the NP until the draft local plan is published when we can see if we receive a new small site housing allocation.

Written notice from Cllrs Morgan, Rowley and Davies received by Rosie Burton as Proper Officer to pass Special Motion reversal of 25/25.

72/25 Sherborne St John Tennis Courts

CONSIDERED AND APPROVED application for a grant under S137 for £399 towards new benches within the courts.

73/25 The Chute: Maintenance

- i) To consider and resolve to approve the quote for a replacement heater:

TB to action.

- ii) Discussed and approved that a spreadsheet to be prepared by RM showing quotes for CCTV, replacement LED lights for the carpark, carpark resurfacing for next meeting.

74/75 Allotments:

- i) A discussion took place regarding the uncultivated plots. It was agreed that letters would be (30-day warning and NTQ's) issued to offenders.

75/25 Finance:

- i) **RESOLVED** the Cash Flow Report and payments were approved.

- ii) **RESOLVED** the Bank Reconciliation prepared by the Locum and were signed-off as correct by Members of the Council

- iii) **AGREED** that RB & CD would produce a portfolio of options of banks to create savings accounts.

76/25 Play Park Project

A tender was approved subject to further negotiation. LA to follow up.

77/25 Councillors Reports

None

78/25 Correspondence, AOB, urgent matters

Lengthsman budget to be addressed

79/25 RESOLVED that Agenda item 136/24 would be a closed to members of the public and press under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Sec 1 (2) by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.

80/25 HR discussions took place.

81/25 Date of next meeting

The date of the next **Sherborne St. John Parish Council Meeting** will take place on **Wednesday 24th September 2025** in **The Chute Pavilion, Vyne Road, at 7:15pm**

Being no further business, RM closed the meeting at 9:30 pm.

DRAFT MINUTES TO BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING