

## Yeohead & Castleton Parish Council

### Minutes of a Meeting on 3rd of September 2026 at 7.30 pm in Poyntington Village Hall

The following were present: Councillors Lacey, Dillon, Simnett, Wheadon and the Clerk

26.44 **Apologies for absence:** Cllr Stubbs

26.45 **Declarations of interest:** None.

26.46 **The minutes of the meeting held 2nd of July 2026** were confirmed and signed.

26.47 **New member for Osborne:** Cllr Lacey is making the vacancy known in the village and speaking to people who might be interested.

26.48 **Matters arising:** None

26.49 **The financial report for the year 2026-27** to date was received and accepted. Payments in accordance with budget were approved: Clerk salary: £428.50, HMRC PAYE -£18, Poyntington Village Hall £20 hall hire. Receipts since the last meeting: HMRC VAT refund for previous year: £53.21

26.50 **New bank mandate:** Cllr Lacey will complete the application form to be added to the bank signatories for the next meeting.

26.51 **Parish Council Savings Account:** the clerk reported that the council has insufficient funds for a notice account with Lloyds and an easy access account is offering 0.5% interest. It was agreed that she should open an easy access account but will also ask DAPTC if they know of better alternatives

26.52 **Planning Matters.**

**Planning matters dealt with since the last meeting for approval or to be decided at this meeting are in bold:**

| Name & Address                                                         | Details /Reference                                                                                | Status                               |
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| Terrace Playing Fields, The Terrace Clubhouse Sherborne Hill Sherborne | P/FUL/2026/02846 Erect 2no. floodlights                                                           | No objection<br>Granted 31.07.26     |
| Land at Lenthay Road, Sherborne                                        | P/OUT/2025/07170 Erection of up to 37no. dwellings (outline application to determine access only) | Objection<br>Awaiting decision by DC |

26.53 **Mobile signal improvement:** Nothing to report since last meeting.

26.54 **Dorset Council Asset Listing:** The parish council is seeking a meeting with Dorset Council's Strategic Asset Management Team and Cllr Legg to discuss possibilities in Osborne.

26.55 **Neighbourhood Plan and Dorset Local Plan:** There have been no updates from Sherborne Town Council since the last meeting. Yeohead would still like to see a meeting of the steering committee, which the clerk has communicated to Sherborne. The Government has published a new National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) which will affect the new Dorset Local Plan and in turn the neighbourhood plan

26.56 **Fingerposts:** Awaiting suitable wood.

26.57 **South Western Ambulance Service CPR training session:** The ambulance service has proposed October 14<sup>th</sup> for a CPR training session in Poyntington. The council agreed to this. The clerk will put a notice in the QT magazine and Cllr Simnett will advertise it on the village Whatsapp. Cllr Lacey will do the same for Osborne. The agreed donation of £270 will be made after the session.

26.58 **Review of parish council data and IT policy documents:** The council agreed to keep the privacy policy unchanged. Cllr Wheadon suggested changes to the draft IT policy which the council accepted. The clerk will send a revised draft for approval at the next meeting.

- 26.59 **Rights of Way issues:** Wyke: Cllr Dillon reported a problem on a path at Wyke Farm and also around Lenthay. The clerk will send the link to the Dorset Council report a problem page and also report the same issues. Poyntington: After the last meeting the clerk wrote to the landowners at the Court House, Poyntington to make them aware that the stile at the entrance to footpath N27/7 does not comply with regulations and is currently unusable. As there has been no response to the letter it was decided to report the problem to Dorset Council.
- 26.60 **Highways issues:** No current issues
- 26.61 **Digital Register of Interests:** The clerk reminded councillors that they must check and complete the new register.
- 26.62 **Community Conversation Events:** The clerk told the council about the upcoming events organised by Dorset Council. It was pointed out that both events are during the working day so not possible for everyone and taking place in Leigh rather than centrally in Sherborne.
- 26.63 **Items for the next Agenda:** Send to clerk
- 26.64 **Dates of future meetings:**  
5 November, Osborne  
14 January, Poyntington  
4 March, Osborne  
6 May, Poyntington  
1 July, Osborne  
2 September, Poyntington  
4 November, Osborne  
**The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.**