



No.7 North Street Workshops, North Street, Stoke sub Hamdon TA14 6QR

You are summonsed to a meeting of Stoke sub Hamdon Parish Council on

WEDNESDAY 8th JULY 2026 at 7pm

at the Parish Council Offices, No.7, North Street Workshops

Gilly Lowe

Parish Clerk
2nd July 2026

Councillors are reminded that as holders of Public Office they are expected to comply with the Nolan Principles, and the Councils Code of Conduct as well as showing respect for others in accordance with the law.

As per Councils Standing Order 3(e) there will be an opportunity for members of the public to comment on Agenda items (at the discretion of the chairman of the meeting).

If a person behaves in an offensive or improper manner which disrupts the meeting and refuses to moderate their behaviour they will, by motion, be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

AGENDA

26/070 RECORDING OF MEETING

Attention is drawn to the Council's policy on recording meetings. Those wishing to record meetings are asked to notify the Chair prior to or at the commencement of the meeting if they intend to audio/video record public proceedings

26/071 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

26/072 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS

26/073 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council are requested to **RESOLVE TO APPROVE** the minutes of the ordinary council meeting held on 3rd JUNE 2026 as a true and correct record.

26/074 SOMERSET COUNCIL REPORT

A report from Somerset Council representatives.

26/075

PUBLIC SESSION

Members of the public to raise matters for Council's consideration to include any feedback from the regular surgery session.

26/076

PLANNING

- (a) Members are asked to provide comments on the following planning application:
(i) 26/01272/HOU – The Oaks, North Street, Stoke-sub-Hamdon TA14 6QS
Proposal: Erection of a first floor extension and external alterations
- (b) Members to note the details previously circulated of the planning appeal lodged against the application decision 26/00502/ADV at Cartgate Garage, Stoke-sub-Hamdon TA14 6RA.
- (c) Members to note any new decision notices issued and circulated since the last meeting.
- (d) Members to note the appeal decision regarding 25/00247/FUL Land at Mason Lane.

26/077

ANNUAL REVIEW OF VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Council to consider the annual report recently circulated by the Editor and agree any associated actions.

26/078

PRESENTATION BY SPORTS AND RECREATION TRUST

Peter Hulett from the Sports and Recreation Trust to provide a summary of the history of the Trust, the scope of what it does and the importance of the reports provided to the Parish Council and their responsibilities in turn.

26/079

OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS (NOT COVERED BY AGENDA ITEMS)

- (a) Confirmation of arrangements for the spring cleaning of village street signs and bus-stop.
- (b) Confirmation of co-mingle bin installation.
- (c) Confirmation of finalisation of the Emergency plan and authority to publish details on the website.

26/080

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

Progress Reports from the following Working Groups:

- (a) Castle School 150th Anniversary WG
- (b) Speedwatch WG
- (c) Allotments WG
- (d) HYFC WG
- (e) Christmas Lights WG

26/081

FINANCE

- (a) Members to **APPROVE** a list of payments circulated ahead of the meeting as part of the Responsible Financial Officers report.
- (b) Members are asked to **APPROVE** the bank reconciliation statement as of 30th June 2026.
- (c) Members to **NOTE** the content of the Responsible Financial Officer's finance report.
- (d) Members to consider the grant application from St Mary's Church for £1400.
- (e) Members to **NOTE** the continuation of the current agreement with the Benefice administration's use of the office space for another 12 months.
- (f) Council is requested to **NOTE** the Financial Accounting Statement for the period ending 30 June 2026 and raise any questions or comments relating to the statement.

- 26/082 SOMERSET'S LOCAL PLAN**
(a) To note the details of the high-level technical study and the potential sites identified for future development to be considered further during preparation of the Local Plan.
(b) To consider the recently opened Regulation 20 Scoping Consultation for the Somerset Local Plan and nominate a group of Councillors to respond on behalf of the Council before the closing date of 24th July.
- 26/083 WAR MEMORIAL CLEANING**
Members to consider the quotes received to carry out the works identified in the survey report and agree next steps.
- 26/084 HISTORY GROUP REQUEST**
To consider a request by the History Group to make use of the Meeting Room in the Parish Office to sort and archive various paperwork and information collected over time by the Group.
- 26/085 RANGER TASKS**
(a) Update to be provided on progress during June 2026.
(b) Council to **CONFIRM** a prioritised list of tasks for the Parish Ranger for July 2026.
- 26/086 HIGHWAYS MATTERS**
To raise any new highways concerns or issues within the Parish that require action including the annual grit bin assessment required by 21st August.
- 26/087 CRIME, DISORDER AND COMMUNITY SAFETY**
To raise any concerns or issues within the Parish
- 26/088 CORRESPONDENCE**
Members to consider any correspondence that requires a decision.
- 26/089 ITEMS OF INTEREST AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**
- 26/090 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on **Wednesday 5th August** starting at 7pm in the Parish Office.

END OF AGENDA