

**Minutes of Over Wallop Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday
4th of September 2025 at 7.30pm in the Sports Pavilion, AEMG,
Salisbury Lane, Over Wallop.**

Present: Cllr Mr S MacDonald – Acting Chairman, Parish and Borough Councillor
Cllr Mr I Cleife
Cllr Mrs P Bunche
Cllr Mrs B Hunt
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
County Councillor Mr D Drew
Borough Councillor Mrs S Hasselmann – Palestine Ward.
Members of the Public – 5

Apologies: Cllr Mr A Meek - Chairman, Cllr Mr C Sanger – Vice Chairman and
Borough Councillors Mrs M Flood and Mrs S Hasselmann – Palestine Ward.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

The Parish Council held an in-camera meeting prior to the September meeting to elect a Chairman, following the resignation from the Parish Council of Cllr Mr M Goodman. The Parish Council elected Cllr Mr A Meek as Chairman. Proposed by Cllr C Sanger and seconded by Cllr Mrs B Hunt.

The Election of Cllr Mr A Meek as chairman was confirmed. Proposed by Cllr Mr S MacDonald and Seconded by Cllr Mrs B Hunt.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES:

The Clerk reported that Test Valley Borough Council have confirmed that the two vacancies can be filled by Co-Option. Mrs Helene Drumm from Palestine had expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council to represent Palestine and was present. Mrs Helene Drumm was welcomed to the meeting and will observe with the view to co-opting her on to the Parish Council in October 2025.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Cllr Mr S MacDonald signed the minutes of the July meeting as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Mrs B Hunt and seconded by Cllr Mrs P Bunche.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES:

PAVILION – Cllrs Meek, Hunt and Cleife are working hard to put policies in place for the running of the pavilion. A new cleaner has been appointed on a 3-month trial period.

PARISH HALL – Cllr Mrs B Hunt reported that the Robot Hoover is working, a trial was conducted in the Meeting Room, and it will now move to the main hall.

DOG BIN – TVBC have confirmed that the dog bin will be moved to Palestine within the next few days.

STREETLIGHT – The street light adjacent to the Old Coach Works that is no longer working needs to be replaced, a quote has been requested to include a shield that will stop the streetlight shining in neighbouring properties.

VJ DAY – A vote of thanks was recorded to Cllr Mr A Meek for arranging the VJ Day service.

TELEPHONE BOX – The final parts are due to be fitted as well as a replacement glass panel.

COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

County Councillor Mr D Drew and Borough Councillor Mr S MacDonald's reports will be put on the Hub.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR S MACDONALD:

Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that he had been approached by a number of residents regarding the housing proposals in Grateley/Palestine.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported that he has been working with Cllr's Mrs M Flood and Mrs S Hasslemann on the TVBC Draft Borough Plan proposals for 80 Dwellings in the Grateley Parish on Streetway Road which borders Palestine. After a challenging meeting with Palestine and Grateley Parishioners, comments have been submitted to TVBC on the Draft Borough Plan proposals.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald gave a brief update on Devolution. TVBC have submitted a proposal to the Government for the breakup of Hampshire into 4 main areas and the Isle of Wight. HCC has a proposal for 3 main areas and the Isle of Wight. The Government will in due course put these proposals out for consultation.

Delivery of food waste kitchen caddy and collection bin to households has begun ready for the scheme to be implemented in October. Feedback from residents has been they would rather have a glass recycle bin; this may come in time!

FINANCE – September 2025

INCOME:

Bank Interest	£34.37
TVBC Cricket Nets Grant	£10,194.88
Cricket Club Nets	£33,860.12
VAT Refund	£16,379.51
	<u>£60,468.88</u>

EXPENDITURE:

Standing Orders:		£
R.N. Waterman	Wages	560.00
Came and Company	Insurance	451.22
SBPC	Storage	10.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses and Website	14.00
M Lovell	Grass Cutting	250.00
	Total =	<u>£1,285.22 x 2 £2,570.44</u>

Payments made:		£
BA and SF Fox - Pavilion Cleaning		52.00
The Wallop Shop Association		2,000.00
Slatter Cricket and Play – Nets		52,866.80
Elan City – 2 Flashing Speed Signs		5,614.80
M Lovell – Mower Service (PCC)		146.57
P Reynolds – Additional Audit Work – Pavilion Project		250.00
Simon Nightingale - Last bill for FSS		638.16
Valuation Office – Late Fine		100.00
	Total =	<u>£61,668.33</u>

Total Expenditure = **£64,238.77**

Bank Account Balances:

After above movements

Current Account = £ 16,003.27

Premier Interest = £ 48,132.48

No 2 A/C = £ 148.50

£64,284.25

Breakdown of Funds held:

Working Balance = £9,210.74

Reserves:

General Reserves = £ 16,000.00

Street light Replacement Fund = £ 1,000.00

Over Wallop Community Fund = £ 1,496.00

Parish Hall = £ 500.00

= £ 18,996.00

Pavilion Project = £ 36,077.51

TOTAL FUNDS HELD = £64,228.25

The Parish Council agreed with the financial report. Proposed by Cllr Mr I Cleife and seconded by Cllr Mrs B Hunt.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Cllr Mr S MacDonald reported the following:

- Cllr Mr S MacDonald wished to thank Mr Fox and his team for the excellent Cricket Fundraising event held on the 24th of August 2025.
- Cllr Mr S MacDonald also wished to thank Mr Fox for organizing the Ti Chi held at the Pavilion. The success of the first session has resulted in a regular booking for the Sports Pavilion.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MR D DREW:

Cllr Mr D Drew highlighted the following from his submitted HCC Report:

- The Hampshire County Council Cabinet are backing the proposal for 3 areas when Hampshire is divided under devolution. The areas will be City Based – Winchester, Southampton and Portsmouth.
- Several Hampshire County Parks have been awarded Green Flag Status.
- HCC have launched an education scheme to help children and families with the following:
Confidence, attendance, vaccinations and safe social media training.
- A resident from Charlton has been fined £1,000 for Fly Tippling after a successful investigation and prosecution.
- Westover market garden has been awarded a Rural Prosperity Grant.

PLANNING:

25/01960/FULLN - Demolition of agricultural building, erection of dwelling, change of use of land from agricultural to residential, installation of package sewage treatment plant along with associated landscaping and works - Barn Northeast of Croft farm, Pottery Drove., Over Wallop. OBJECTION as this is contrary to the Over Wallop NDP and is out of the Settlement Boundary.

25/01808/TPON - Felling and works to Beech Trees - Lyndale, mount Hermon Road, Palestine - NO COMMENT.

25/01770/TREEN - Fell Ash Tree - Foresters, Station Road, Over Wallop. - NO COMMENT.

25/01791/FULLN - Erection of Machinery Store - Blackburn Farm, Wallop Road, Grateley - SUPPORT.

PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

CLLR MR S MACDONALD – Reported that quotes for the new additional play equipment for the AEMG are being sought. Equipment requested as a result of the consultations over the summer includes: a Zip Wire, In-Ground Trampoline and Basket Swings.

Cllr Mr S MacDonald hopes to have the draft Resilience Plan completed for distribution to the Parish Councillors before the next Parish Council meeting. **Action: Cllr Mr S MacDonald.**

CLLR MRS B HUNT – Reported that she has not had an up-date from Mr M Cavill on when the batteries will be installed in the Pavilion. **Action: Cllr Mrs B Hunt.**

All the paperwork has now been completed on the terms and conditions for the hire of the Pavilion. 3 Sports Parties have been booked, Ti Chi and Yoga have made regular bookings, and the Football Training has started with the possibility of an additional session being added.

CLLR MRS P BUNCHE– Reported that she has been up-dating the Village Hub as information is received.

CLLR MR I CLEIFE – Reported that the Pavilion snagging list has been completed and will be actioned by Millway Builders before the final bill is paid in October 2025. The Wi Fi and telephone line have still not been connected to the Pavilion. Openreach has not yet installed the telegraph pole to get the wiring to the Pavilion. The Clerk is chasing BT and Openreach. **Action: Parish Clerk.**

The issue of the digging up of one of the footpaths around the AEMG to provide humps and dips for BMX bikes for children is ongoing. It was suggested that the Parish Council could look to see if an area could be incorporated within the AEMG for the young people to access without affecting walkers.

VILLAGE SHOP AND POST OFFICE:

Cllr Mrs B Hunt reported that she has received a report from the Wallop Community Shop Committee and will forward it to the Parish Councillors.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

Mr A Fox reported that the Over Wallop Cricket Team finished the season top of their league. The Parish Council thought this excellent news and congratulated the Cricket Team. Mr Fox thanked the Parish Council for their continued support of the Cricket Team.

Mr Fox reported that the Ti Chi Class was so popular that to allow for enough space within the Pavilion for the class to take place, two sessions have now been booked. Unfortunately, the Yoga teacher can no longer hold the class on a Monday, and an alternative day has been requested but awaiting a response from the tutor.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING:

Cllr Mr S MacDonald thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: 2nd October 2025 in the Pavilion, Salisbury Lane, Over Wallop at 7.30pm.

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE:

www.overwallopparishcouncil.org.uk