

SEEND PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes

Council meeting: Tuesday, 30th September 2025 18.30pm.

Location: Seend Community Centre.

- Present: Bridget Johnston (Vice Chair), Cllr William Lack, Cllr Paul Manning, Cllr Phil Springate, Cllr John Williams, Cllr Pamela Ackerman, Cllr Jamie Halliday.
- Apologies: Cllr Helen Robinson- Gordon, Cllr Debbie Savage (Chair)
- Parish Clerk: Hayley Bell
- Public Attendance: 24 Members of the Public, Cllr Tamara Reay,

Agenda Item	Detail	Action
Apologies for Absence	Cllr Helen Robinson- Gordon – apologies accepted Cllr Debbie Savage (Chair) – apologies accepted	
2025 Declaration of changes to the Register of Interests. Declaration of interest in items on the agenda. Requests for Dispensation.	(i) - Register of Interests: no changes. (ii) - Declarations of interest: no new declarations. (iii) – Requests for dispensation: none	None
Seend Parish and Unitary Councilor's updates.	Cllr Reay provided the following updates on local matters: Cllr Reay advised the council that Wiltshire Council budget consultation sessions are available for the public to attend. Wednesday 8 October, 2pm - 4pm at Devizes Leisure centre, Southbroom Road SN10 5AB Monday 13 October, 1pm - 7pm at County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge BA14 8JN The council receives nearly 84% of its core funding from local Council Tax and part of business rates. In 2025/26 the council's budget is £527.420 million, more than half of which is spent on adult and children's social care services. The most significant spending in 2025/26 is on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adult services - £191.5m• Families and children - £75m	Chair / Clerk

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment - £49.6m • Highways and transport - £43.4m • Education and skills - £38.1m <p>Councilors thanked the volunteers who helped to win Best Kept Village.</p> <p>Dr Brain Matthews MP–questions and answers from Councilors and residents.</p> <p>brian.mathew.mp@parliament.uk</p> <p>01225 434 216</p>	
Minutes of the previous meeting	<p>The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 26th August 2025, were circulated to all Councilors.</p> <p>Minutes approved: By Cllr Johnston and Cllr Halliday.</p>	Clerk
Matters arising not on the agenda	<p>Welcome Message from The Chair to Councilors, Residents, and Officers.</p>	To Note
2025 Items for discussion from members of the parish	<p>Residents requested that the parish council consider a map of Seend to showcase all Seend has to offer tourists.</p> <p>The council supported the concept, and the clerk will gain concepts and quotes for the next parish council meeting.</p>	Clerk
2025 Speedwatch	<p>Recommendation approved by Cllr Cllr Johnston and Cllr Lack to fund 50 % of the new SID.</p>	
2025 Area Board - Devizes	<p>Area Board next meeting will take place on 30th June at Needham House, Devizes.</p>	Cllr Akerman Cllr Williams
2025 Items of Correspondence	<p>Councilors request a letter to be send to the White Horse Federation regarding access through the school.</p> <p>Recommendation to consider alternative venues within the parish to host future council meetings approved.</p>	Clerk –

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	<p>Recommendation approved by Cllr Johnstone and Cllr Lack to adopt SLCC Civility and Respect pledge.</p>	Clerk																					
<p>2025 Financial Matters</p>	<p>a. Payments</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="432 640 1331 1014"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="432 640 804 730">Payee</th> <th data-bbox="804 640 986 730">Amount</th> <th data-bbox="986 640 1331 730">Reason</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="432 730 804 775">Miss H Bell</td> <td data-bbox="804 730 986 775">£680.35</td> <td data-bbox="986 730 1331 775">Salary.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="432 775 804 819">HMRC</td> <td data-bbox="804 775 986 819">£257.54</td> <td data-bbox="986 775 1331 819"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="432 819 804 898">Seend Community Centre</td> <td data-bbox="804 819 986 898">£147.00</td> <td data-bbox="986 819 1331 898"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="432 898 804 943">Irene Usher</td> <td data-bbox="804 898 986 943">£56.25</td> <td data-bbox="986 898 1331 943"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="432 943 804 987">Hugo Fox</td> <td data-bbox="804 943 986 987">£23.99</td> <td data-bbox="986 943 1331 987"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="432 987 804 1014">Defib Warehouse</td> <td data-bbox="804 987 986 1014">£334.00</td> <td data-bbox="986 987 1331 1014"></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p data-bbox="432 1099 1082 1133">Debit Card: No forecast payments for next month.</p> <p data-bbox="432 1178 1270 1245">Payment schedule: annual payment schedule to be produced for councilors approval.</p> <p data-bbox="432 1335 1209 1424">Date change due to leave, Tuesday 4th November 2025 and Tuesday 2nd December 2025 – Seend Community Centre.</p>	Payee	Amount	Reason	Miss H Bell	£680.35	Salary.	HMRC	£257.54		Seend Community Centre	£147.00		Irene Usher	£56.25		Hugo Fox	£23.99		Defib Warehouse	£334.00		Clerk
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