

Churchill Parish Council



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 10th February 2025

Present: Councillors J Bush, D Johnson, R Baker, M Baker, J Murray, B Wilkinson, R Jeacocke and Parish Clerk S Diaz.

There were four members of the public present

Public Questions-questions were raised regarding the Community event and planning.

- 25/FC2A To receive any apologies of non-attendance.
Councillors M Simpson and J Ronicle sent their apologies.
- 25/FC2B To receive any declarations of interest on agenda items.
There were no declarations of interest.
- 25/FC2C To confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th January 2025.
It was resolved to sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th January 2025.
- 25/FC2D North Somerset Council Matters
Councillor Keating did not attend or send a report prior to the meeting.
- 25/FC2E To discuss the feedback from the community event.
It was agreed that the Parish Council would meet informally initially to discuss the event, and the suggestions made. The Parish Council will discuss with the community at the Annual Parish Meeting.
- 25/FC2F To consider the update on the electric vehicle charging points.
The clerk advised that the current supplier is selling their business and in discussion with a new company to take over. The outcome will be made by 28th February.
- 25/FC2G To receive and authorise the payments for February 2025. All invoices have been examined, verified and certified by the clerk.
February 25 Payments
Receipts from Zurich Insurance for claim to repair tiles at Clock Tower from storm Daragh £400, allotments £65.00 and CCLA interest £206.70, KC Britton & Sons, Burial Fees £512, Cheddar Rugby Club £120 donation for use of the pitch.
It was resolved to approve the payments for February and the receipts were noted.

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EE	Clerk Telephone, Taken 23 rd of each month, invoice available after 16 th of each month	£20.71	DD
Water 2 Business	Taken 2 nd of each month-allotment water	£10.00	DD
Water 2 Business	Taken 2 nd of each month-Cafe water	£172.50	DD
YU Energy	Gas community club	£220.01	DD
YU Energy	Electricity community club	£1268.52	DD
BT	Broadband	£71.78	DD
Unity Trust	Bank fees	£11.10	BACS
TO PAY:			
Staff	February payroll and costs	£4587.39	BACS
VSA Cleaning	Community Hall Cleaning/stripping recreation pitch and car park area	£150.00	BACS
Becky Walsh Courses	Marketing & Communications	£500.00	BACS
S Diaz (Clerk)	Expenses (mileage, printing, pull up banner, rubbish containers).	£200.54	BACS
St Andrews Press	Newsletters	£74.00	BACS
West Country Groundcare	Grass cutting	£680.00	BACS
WSM Town Council	Dog bin emptying	£374.40	BACS
Aqueous UK Ltd	Website Maintenance Jan to July 25.	£57.60	BACS
Middlecombe Nursery	Strulch	£18.72	BACS
Starboard Systems	Accounts package renewal	£812.16	BACS
Create Signs	Posters for Community Event	£14.96	BACS
Equals Card	Top up for online purchases	£300.00	BACS
Churchill & Langford Minibus Society	Community support worker Q4	£1250	BACS
WC Maunders	Materials for Clocktower repair	£41.85	BACS
J Ronicle	Brackets for SID	£27.88	BACS
KC Britton & Son	Refund of headstone fees	£117.00	BACS
TOTAL	TOTAL PAYMENTS	£ 10981.12	
Equals Card	January 2025		
Sainsbury	Refreshments for Community event	£86.10	Card
HSQE	Fire Warden training	£18.00	Card
	Total	£104.10	

25/FC2H

To consider the following planning applications. Please note that Applications received after this Agenda is published may be considered if comments are needed before the next meeting.

25/P/0175/NMA	Land Adjacent To	Non material amendment to reserved matters permission
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	Ancarva House Ladymead Lane Langford	22/P/1332/RM (Reserved matters application for the erection of 8no. dwellings pursuant to outline approval 17/P/5455/OUT, for matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) to allow reduction in the length of new footpath due to existing Oak Tree It was resolved to support this application.
24/P/2687/RM	Land to the South of Bristol Road, Churchill	Reserved matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 68 no. dwellings, landscaping, infrastructure and associated works pursuant to outline permission 22/P/0564/OUT (Outline planning application for the development of up to 68 no. dwellings supported by the provision of highways, open space, ecological enhancement and associated and ancillary infrastructure, with access for approval off A368 (Bath Road); with appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved for subsequent approval) It was resolved to object to this application. The Parish Council supports the comments from the LLFA. The access on to the A368 remains an issue as it creates a dangerous junction for cyclists and pedestrians.
24/P/2455/FUL	Land Opposite Churchill House, Churchill Green Churchill	Retrospective application for a side pedestrian access gate. It was resolved to object to this application as there is no requirement for a side pedestrian gate. It is dangerous to encourage pedestrians to access the road through this gate. This has resulted in the unnecessary removal of an ancient hedgerow. The Parish Council does not support retrospective planning applications as it goes against principles of the planning process.
24/P/2682/FUH	Old Orchard Blackmoor, Langford BS40 5HJ	Proposed expansion of existing loft conversion including the raising of ridge height, hip-to-gable roof alterations, creation of 3no. rear dormers and 2no. front rooflights. Erection of a detached garage to the front of the property. It was resolved to support this application as it provides additional living space on an existing footprint.

25/FC2I To consider a new utility bill provider for gas and electricity for the Community Club.
It was agreed to go with Fidelity Energy for a 2-year contract with YU Energy for electricity and Positive Energy for gas.

25/FC2J To consider the need for a youth provision in the parish.

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It was agreed to discuss the youth provision at the separate informal Parish Council meeting.

- 25/FC2K To receive the clerks report.
The clerk sent her report prior to the meeting. She added that a driver had crashed into the millennium stone in December 2024 and now finally had the details of the driver and their insurance company to contact.
- 25/FC2L To receive matters for information
The Parish Council agreed to write to the Minister for Transport and Tessa Munt asking what would be achieved by adding the new roundabout at Churchill lights and to send us the cost benefit analysis. Current target data from North Somerset Council will be included to emphasize the insignificance of the scheme.
There are various overgrown hedges in Front St that require cutting back as it has been noted children are forced into the road because of this. The clerk will write to the owners to cut back their hedges.
Councillor M Baker reported a local footpath was blocked and the clerk will share with the PROW officer.
North Somerset Council are holding events to discuss the Local Plan, and the Parish Council will respond at the next meeting.
Councillor Bush advised that the road surface on Ladymead Lane/Jubilee Lane is deteriorating rapidly due to flooding and is causing damage to vehicles using the lane. The clerk will report this again to North Somerset Council.

The next Parish Council meeting will be 10th March 2025 at 7.30pm
End of minutes