

Churchill Parish Council



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 14th April 2025

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

Also, present P Keating and E Harvey from Churchill Cricket Club.

25/FC4A To receive any apologies of non-attendance.

Councillors J Bush, M Baker and R Baker sent their apologies.

25/FC4B To receive any declarations of interest on agenda items.

There were no declarations of interest.

25/FC4C To confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th March 2025.

It was resolved to confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th March 2025.

25/FC4D North Somerset Council Matters

Councillor Keating reported the following:

- The roundabout project at Churchill traffic lights under the Bus Service Improvement Plan continues to progress, and he will get an update from officers and report back.
- The North Somerset Council budget was passed.
- North Somerset Council will discuss devolution areas with Town Council's initially, followed by Parish Councils.

Councillor Ronicle asked if Councillor Keating could meet up to discuss the Crest Nicholson issue regarding the piece of land on Pudding Pie Lane and liaise with Planning Enforcement. He also reiterated the Langford residents request for a 20mph speed limit on Blackmoor and to include Langford Road. There have been no further updates regarding the tree on Blackmoor.

Councillor Murray raised concerns on the deed of variation on application 25/P/0461/MOD at Bath Road regarding its location, drainage and need for infrastructure. Councillor Keating was asked to research what infrastructure will be put in place to ensure the site meets the Government's 'Sustainable Development' criteria. Councillor Keating will speak to the planning officers.

Councillor Murray also raised the issue over height of the debris and path in front of Cherry Tree Farm. Councillor Simpson raised concerns regarding the housing development on Dinghurst Road. The land from the original path is now 80cms higher than the plans submitted. Councillor Simpson spoke to the site manager at the development who said they will never do the path as it is too dangerous.

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Councillor Keating will speak to enforcement.

25/FC4E To discuss the feedback from the community event.
The Council discussed the survey results and will meet to discuss the next stages for CIL expenditure projects.

25/FC4F To consider the quote for asset management from Civicy.
The Council agreed that Councillor Ronicle will look at the proposal and feed back to the Council for the next meeting.

25/FC4G To receive and authorise the payments for April 2025. All invoices have been examined, verified and certified by the clerk.

April 25 Payments

Receipts from Precept £65233, allotments £342.50 and CCLA interest £206.70, rent from old surgery £750.00.

It was resolved to approve the payments for April 2025 and the receipts were noted.

D DEBITS:			REF	Signatory 1	Signatory 2
NEST	Pension contributions for 2025	£183.73	DD		
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	£9.00	DD		
Water 2 Business	Taken 2 nd of each month-Cafe water	£172.50	DD		
YU Energy	Gas community club	£90.46	DD		
YU Energy	Electricity community club	£925.60	DD		
BT	Broadband	£76.88	DD		
Unity Trust	Bank fees	£11.55	BACS		
TO PAY:					
Staff	April costs	£4935.61	BACS		
VSA Cleaning	Community Hall Cleaning/stripping recreation pitch and car park area	£120.00	BACS		
Becky Walsh Courses	Marketing & Communications	£500.00	BACS		
S Diaz (Clerk)	Expenses (mileage, printing).	£81.00	BACS		
St Andrews Press	Newsletters	£74.00	BACS		
K Lovell	Grass cutting March and parish maintenance	£1006.00	BACS		
WSM Town Council	Dog bin emptying	£374.40	BACS		
M Miles	Mileage	£22.05	BACS		
ALCA	Annual subscriptions 25-26	£763.83	BACS		
Rapide Office Supplies	Litter bin refuse sacks and stationary	£66.96	BACS		
Create Signs	Car park signage	£44.40	BACS		
Churchill Memorial Hall	Room hire	£18.00	BACS		

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M Perkins	Allotment deposit refund	£50.00	BACS		
Middlecombe Nurseries	Plants and soil for planter at Stag and Hounds	£23.01	BACS		
TOTAL	TOTAL PAYMENTS	£8079.26			

25/FC4H To consider the following planning applications: No applications were received at the time of posting the agenda. Applications received prior to the meeting will be discussed.

25/P/0461/MOD	Land South Of Bristol Road And North Of Bath Road Churchill	<p>Deed of Variation to Section 106 Agreement dated 28/10/2024 relating to planning permission 22/P/0564/OUT. Changes to include: Use of Open Market Dwellings as additional affordable housing; removal of the restriction on the use of Public Subsidy; removal of requirement for no more than 6 affordable housing units in one cluster; changes to the shared ownership to be compliant with the grant funding requirements in the Capital Funding Guide; and reflect the provisions of the Capital Funding Guide in relation to Service Charge</p> <p>Churchill Parish Council has resolved to object to this application. There is insufficient information within the application to apply the due diligence required to satisfy the Government's classification as a 'Sustainable development'.</p> <p>Churchill Parish Council requests further information regarding the infrastructure that must be put in place by North Somerset Council to address the following sustainability concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a remote site, lacking employment opportunities, sustainable public transport, affordable supermarkets and primary school places. • There are no pavements along the Bath Road to access Churchill Academy and Primary schools. • Further, as previously stated during earlier planning phases, there is a major drainage issue which remains unresolved. The normal infiltration solution has been accepted by NSC as impossible for this site. • CIL funds will not be available to North Somerset Council or Churchill Parish Council to provide required infrastructure to ensure sustainability.
25/P/0510/FUH	The Coach House	Proposed increase in height of existing East boundary

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	2 Hilliers Lane Churchill BS25 5NA	wall, to match the height nearest existing gate at the South-East boundary. It was resolved to support this application.
25/P/0661/FUH	7 Ladymead Lane Langford BS40 5EG	Proposed erection of a detached garage/car port to the front of the property. It was resolved to make no comment on this application.

- 25/FC4I To consider increasing the funds in the CCLA savings account.
It was agreed to move £80000 to the CCLA savings account.
- 25/FC4J To consider a rural village network with surrounding villages.
It was agreed to ask Winscombe and Wrington Parish Councils if they would like to form a rural village network to form a representative rural voice. Collectively the Councils could have a cohesive approach for cost reductions for some services/contracts for mutual interests.
- 25/FC4K To consider the Pensions Discretion Policy.
It was resolved to approve the Pensions Discretion Policy.
- 25/FC4L To consider the quotes for the dog waste removal.
The Parish Council discussed the contractors and quotes and agreed to use the services of Corporate Cleaning Services.
- 25/FC4M To consider the plans for the Pavilion extension.
The Parish Council discussed the plans but would like some further information regarding the septic tank and position for further access. The contractor will meet Councillors D Johnson, J Ronicle and M Simpson to clarify these points and they will liaise with the Council for the final decision.
- 25/FC4N To consider the quote to repair the historic Langford Slow sign.
It was agreed to repair the historic Langford Slow sign at a cost of £350.
- 25/FC4O To receive the clerks report.
The clerk sent her report prior to the meeting but added there has been a spate of graffiti in the Broadoak area which was reported to the police. Tessa Munt MP has asked to if she can add a report to the monthly newsletter. The Council agreed a page of A5 to engage readers which should include actions carried out for Churchill and Langford.
- 25/FC4P To receive matters for information
Councillor Ronicle would like to add an item to the next agenda to discuss the Council's plans regarding the plot of land at Pudding Pie Lane and a response to Crest Nicholson Homes.
Councillor Jeacocke advised that recent suggestions to add a footpath on Front St would not be suitable as the road is too narrow.

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The next Parish Council meeting will be 12th May 2025 at 7.30pm
End of minutes

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