

Churchill Parish Council



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 9th February 2026

Present: Councillors J Bush, D Johnson, R Baker, M Simpson, J Murray, R Jeacocke, M Baker, J Romicle, G Alleyne and Parish Clerk S Diaz. Two members of the public.

Prior to the meeting two Community PCSO's answered questions on reporting issues to the Police and Community/Neighbourhood Watch schemes.

Public Questions-there were no public questions.

26/FC2A To receive any apologies of non-attendance.
Councillor Keating sent his apologies.

26/FC2B To receive any declarations of interest on agenda items.
There were no declarations of interest on agenda items.

26/FC2C To confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th January 2026.
It was resolved to confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 12th January 2026.

26/FC2D North Somerset Council Matters
Councillor Keating reported prior to the meeting that the Government have agreed that North Somerset Council can have council tax flexibility so a balanced budget can be presented on 24.2.26. Councillors asked the clerk to raise the following with Councillor Keating:
Speed limit change on Blackmoor.
The clerk will send the document raised on road safety by Councillor Alleyne to Cllr Keating.
The Council would like to know if an open box could be added for vehicles exiting Ladymead Lane on to the A38 and on Front St on to Dinghurst Road.

26/FC2E To consider the co-option application for the casual vacancy.
It was resolved to co-opt Jeremy Comley on to the Parish Council who signed his declaration of acceptance of office.

26/FC2F To discuss the 'outside the box' road reporting safety pilot scheme.
This agenda item was removed from the agenda.

26/FC2G To note the minutes from the Allotments and Open Spaces committee meeting on 26 January 2026.

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The minutes from the Allotments and Open Spaces committee meeting on 26 January 2026 were noted.

26/FC2H To receive and authorise the payments for February 2026. All invoices have been examined, verified, and certified by the clerk.
Receipts CCLA £790.48

D DEBITS:			REF	Approval	Approval
NEST	Pension contributions	£188.45	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		
	Community Club Water	£205.50			
Positive Energy	Gas-Community Club	£106.90	DD		
		£4.37	DD		
Unity Bank	Bank charges	£11.10	DD		
BT	Broadband	£76.88	DD		
Scribe	Civicy costs for asset management	£74.40	DD		
TO PAY:					
Staff	February payroll	£5092.44	BACS		
VSA Cleaning	Community Hall Cleaning/allotment work	£120.00	BACS		
Becky Walsh Courses	Marketing & Communications	£500.00	BACS		
S Diaz (Clerk)	Expenses (mileage)	£69.00	BACS		
St Andrews Press	Newsletters	£77.00	BACS		
K Lovell	Grass Cutting and maintenance at Community Club/open spaces maintenance and toilet block	£1792.00	BACS		
Corporate Cleaning Services	Dog bin emptying	£300.00	BACS		
ALCA	Staff training	£35.00	BACS		
Elan City	SID 2-year warranty	£238.80	BACS		
Elan City	SID	£2880.00	BACS		
Coffins Clocks	Annual clock service	£190.00	BACS		
Scribe	Annual accounts package subscription	£921.60	BACS		
	Total	£12215.84			
Equals Card	January 2026				
Lebara	Mobile fees	£5.00	Card		
HSQE	Fire Warden Training	£18.00	Card		
Market Kitchen	Refreshments	£5.85 £2.92	Card		
Amazon	Padlock for allotment	£12.00	Card		
	Total	£43.77			

It was resolved to approve the payments for February 2026.

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26/FC2I To consider the following planning applications: Applications received prior to the meeting will be discussed.

26/P/0110/AOC	Land South of Bristol Road And North Of Bath Road Churchill	Request to discharge condition 20 (Pedestrian and Cycle route plan) from application 22/P/0564/OUT. It was resolved to object to this application. No viable alternative to the approved plan has been submitted. A detailed, safe, and high-quality active travel plan connecting the site to the wider network is required. The plan should align with the Council's Active Travel strategy requiring details on surfacing, lighting, and integration with existing infrastructure. The condition 20 should not be discharged.
25/P/2413/FUL	S M G House Bath Road Langford BS40 5DJ	Proposed alteration of existing North pitched roof to form a flat-roof and installation of new shutter door. It was resolved to make no comment on this application.

26/FC2J To consider the offer to purchase the land at Pudding Pie Lane.
The Council noted that initial discussions with the developer have started and the Council will provide further details at the March meeting.

26/FC2K To consider how to utilise the board at the traffic lights and where to re-position it.
It was resolved to reposition the board to the car park area near the recreation field. The clerk will get a cost to do this. The Councillors would like the proposed sign to be amended to say, 'Whats on in Churchill and Langford' and to include images of activities in Churchill.

26/FC2L To receive the clerks report.
The clerk sent her report prior to the meeting. However, Councillors were reminded to complete the annual training course. The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 20.4.26 and the theme will be celebrating volunteers.
The clerk will contact a variety of groups to ask if they would attend to share volunteering options with residents.
The July meeting will be changed to Monday 6th July at 7.30pm. The Finance and Personnel Committee meeting will be held at 6.30pm on 6th July.

26/FC2M To approve the cost of a cabinet and connection for a defibrillator at The Reading Rooms.
It was resolved to purchase a cabinet and installation costing £695 plus VAT.

26/FC2N To receive matters for information
Councillor Murray reported overgrown hedges on Front St near the junction with Hilliers Lane, the clerk will contact the owners as the pavement is obstructed.
The signpost for the village shop and post office has not been removed although reported. The clerk will follow up with North Somerset Council.
The potholes on Church Lane are worsening as the Bishops Well water floods on to the road.

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Councillor Alleyne produced a detailed briefing on road safety, focusing on Pudding Pie Lane. This will be shared with North Somerset Council and Councillor Keating. It details areas that require action to improve road safety for children going to and from the Primary School.

He also reported that Velosolutions were working with Maverick to create a design for the skate park area.

Councillor Jeacocke advised that the information provided from North Somerset Council relating to Blackmoor is incorrect. The Blackmoor Spring has been ignored. Data is required from Bristol Water to consider the matter further. Councillor Ronicle will report that the gulleys on Blackmoor require cleaning.

Councillor Comley reported that the proposal for Highways regarding SIDS on the A38 is almost complete. A letter from the Chair of the Parish Council will go to local companies to ask for donations to support the SID.

Councillor Simpson advised that she is the acting treasurer and secretary for the Memorial Hall.

The next Parish Council meeting will be 9th March 2026 at 7.30pm
End of minutes