

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on
Monday 10th February 2025 at 7.00pm, in the Parish Office, 2 Killick Way, Williton.

Attendees:

Councillors Rutter (Chairman), Aldridge, Payne, Schmieder, Peeks
Public None
Other Mrs Charlotte Hirst (Committee Clerk)

Apologies:

Councillors None

Due to resignation of the previous Chairman, Vice Chairman Cllr Rutter acted as Chairman for the purpose of this meeting.

24/131B It was advised the meeting would be recorded

24/132B **Cllr Payne Proposed** Cllr Rutter as Chairman of the Committee **seconded Cllr Peeks unanimously resolved.**

24/133B Apologies as noted above and reasons for absence approved as indicated (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

24/134B Declarations of Interest

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Peeks	24/138.1B T/39/25/001	Other Non-disclosable Interest	Informed Meeting

24/135B **Approval of Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee meetings held on 13th January 2025.**

Resolution approve and sign the Minutes **Proposed Cllr. Aldridge Seconded Cllr Schmieder one abstention.**

24/136B Matters from the Minutes -

24/136.1B (24/119.5B) A response from Better Buses had been received, Full Council had resolved that Cllr Aldridge had been elected as the representative for Williton Parish Council at the Better Buses for Somerset Bus Users and Stakeholders Group Meeting (24/273.1) Cllr Aldridge mentioned that he was unable to attend the meeting in September to consider who would attend in his absence at the next Committee Meeting.

24/136.2B (24/119.4B) A letter drafted by Cllr Rutter had been sent to Somerset Ecology Service regarding Outmoor Wood. – Noted.

24/137B Correspondence

24/137.1B An email had been received from Cllr Woods regarding a pedestrian crossing on Priest Street (A39) located near Bridge Street.

Resolution for the Committee Clerk to contract John Fellingham of Somerset Council to request a review on this application as due to changes to business locations and increase in traffic.

24/137.2B Cllr Peeks had copied the Parish Office into communications with J Gliddon and Sons – **Noted.**

24/138B To Consider the Following Planning Applications

24/138.1B The following applications were considered.

Application No	Location	Details	Comment
T/39/25/001	Williton Pavilion, Williton War Memorial Ground, Robert Street	Application to carry out management works (pruning lateral growth on the east side) to one birch tree included in West Somerset District Tree Preservation Order T/3/112 in the southwest corner of Williton Recreation Ground, Williton.	No comments.
3/39/24/022	Chaplins, 4 Limpetshall Lane, Williton, TA4 4QR	Installation of a flue to serve combi-boiler, installation of 4 No windows with double glazed units and formation of a WC/Sink room at first floor level.	Based on the drawing of 20 th January 2025, Williton Parish Council have No Objections as the proposal is now in line with their previous comments.

24/138.2B No request to be made for any of the above Planning Applications to be considered by Planning Committee.

24/138.3B To Note the Following Planning Decisions

Application No	Location	Outcome
T/39/24/001	14 Catwell, Williton, TA4 4PF	Grant
3/39/24/017	Highfield Barn, Station Road, Williton, TA4 4RW	Grant
3/39/24/025	Doniford Holiday Village, Sea Lane, Doniford, Williton, TA23 0JT	Grant

24/139B Highways Matters

24/139.1B (24/121.1B) to note that the request for the reduction for the speed limit throughout Five Bells was received from Full Council as a result of the Community Speed Watch (24/24). The Committee Clerk had emailed Somerset Highways to request the reduction of the speed limit to 30MPH due to there being more than 20 houses within 600 metres – **Noted**.

24/139.2B The Committee Clerk emailed Somerset Highways with photographic evidence of the obscured restricted access sign and to request a Maximum width sign together with a request for signs depicting which direction house numbers are located either sign of the T-junction with Killick Way. Somerset Highways Senior Traffic Engineer and Somerset Councils representative for Road Sign Names attended a site visit of Robert Street together with Cllr Rutter and Cllr Payne. It was reported that Somerset Council will erect a prohibited sign for no vehicle access and that street signs will be added however this would not be carried out until the new financial year.

Resolution Committee Clerk to Email the resident to give them an update.

24/139.3B Resident's request for double yellow lines got safe access to property – Update, resident had been contracted for further details, no response had been received.

24/140B Items to Report on Footpaths/Pavements

24/140.1B **Blocked footpath Aller Mead** Somerset Council Estate Roads had been chased for an update following the Parish Council's letter email dated 16th December 2024.

Resolution Committee Clerk to contract Somerset Council Estate Roads again.

24/140.2B No update on blocked Footpath.

24/140.3B Dog Poo bin missing from the bottom of Danesfield Hill which had been reported to Somerset Council had not be replaced – **Noted**

Resolution Committee Clerk to chase Somerset Council.

24/141B Items of Report from Grounds Maintenance Officers

24/141.1B Bellamy's Corner – to consider replanting flower tub/planters.
Resolution to replant the tubs/planters whilst the planters outside the Parish Office were replanted.

24/141.2B **Street Furniture** – to consider a budget for the replacement of the bench on Killick Way.
Resolution Cllr Aldridge offered to make a bench with Cast Iron Ends to replace the bench if this was deemed acceptable by CPL Safety. **Proposed Cllr Peeks Seconded Cllr Rutter Resolved** with two abstentions.

24/141.3B Following the resolution to use £50 from Love Williton Fund (24/123.4B) for the Planters outside the Parish Office, to consider additional funds to cover Compost and Shrubs and who would take responsibility for these works to be undertaken.
Resolution to set a maximum budget of £250 from Community Enhancement and to ask local organisations to take responsibility to carry out the work once the Parish Council had purchased the requested plants/shrubs and compost, all works to be completed by April **Proposed Cllr Payne seconded Cllr Peeks unanimously resolved.**

24/141.4B Planters for Gateways into the Village - With the lack of any proposal Committee Clerk to ascertain who requested this in Matters for the next meeting (24/130B).

24/142.B Flooding Matters

24/142.1B Williton Response Group update – to note that the Response Group have arranged a meeting for 11th March 2025 at 6.30pm with a presentation of flood equipment available to homeowners and a talk from Somerset Rivers Authority. – **Noted.**

24/142.2B Cllr Rutter attended West Somerset Flood Group Meeting on 22nd January 2025, discussed were possible funding from Somerset Water Authority to carry out works on watercourses.
Resolution Committee Clerk to write to Orchard Wyndham Estate to let them know there is possible funding to repair their watercourses. Also to enquire from Orchard Wyndham to ascertain who owns what watercourses throughout Williton. The Committee Clerk to also let the Trustees of WWMRG to inform them about the funding that is available.

24/143B Community Payback Scheme

24/143.1B The Community Payback Scheme were in the process of painting the Parish Office – **Noted.** It was suggested that the Community Pay Back Scheme be asked to carry out works on the Parish Office Windows.

24/144B Play Equipment in Recreation Ground

The Committee Clerk is liaising with Play Equipment suppliers to arrange site visits with a view to the companies tendering quotes – the Committee Clerk confirmed that there were 4 site visits had been arranged.

24/145B Matters for the next Meeting to be held on 10th March 2025.

To ascertain if notice was served on the application 3/39/20/003

Meeting closed at 20.37pm

Signed as a true and correct recordCllr Rutter..... Dated11/03/2025.....