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Dear Councillor

2nd September 2025

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Environment and Planning Committee of the Williton Parish Council to be held on **Monday 8th September 2025 at 7.00pm**, at The Parish Office, 2 Killick Way, Williton, for the purpose of transacting the following business. If there are no items from the public, the meeting will commence at 7.00pm. **PLEASE VIEW ANY PLANNING APPLICATIONS ONLINE AT** <https://www.somerset.gov.uk>

There will be a period of public participation and members of the press and public are invited to address the Council 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting at approximately 7.00pm, providing the notice period has been complied with. Please see Public Participation Notice.

Yours sincerely

Charlotte Hirst

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Committee Clerk

A G E N D A

To advise the recording of the meeting

25/46B To note apologies for absence and approve reason, where appropriate (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

25/47B **Declarations of Interest** - Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations)

25/48B **Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on the 14th July 2025 for approval** (attached). (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1))

25/49B **Matters from the Minutes** – for the purpose of report only.

25/49.1B (25/35.3) A response from Manga had been received regarding the verge on Townsend Road thanking us for letting them know however they would not be taking any action but would monitor the situation - Attached.

25/49.2B (25/44B) Consider the implications of loss of commercial properties - a letter had been sent to Somerset Council regarding the loss of Commercial Properties and a request that this be taken into account for the Somerset Local Plan 2045.

25/50B **Correspondence**

25/50.1B A Press Release from Somerset Council had been received regarding the Planning Application Backlog – attached.

25/50.2B A report had been received about a drain on Tower Hill that was completely blocked, this had been reported to Somerset Council.

25/50.3B Email received from Monksilver Parish Council regarding the Somerset Council Transport Plan – attached. To consider Williton Parish Councils response to the Local Transport Plan 2025/26 – questionnaire also attached.

25/50.4B An email had been received from Cllr Woods regarding her request for a disabled parking bay on Priest Street – attached.

25/50.5B An email had been received from a Parishioner requesting that Williton Parish Council liaise with Sampford Brett Parish Council regarding speeding along Tower Hill. The Parishioner also commented on the increased amount of dog mess around the village and also on the Recreation Ground. – attached.

25/51B **Planning Applications** – Plans are available for inspection on the Somerset Council website under the planning portal.

25/51.1B To consider the following applications and to consider Section 106 Funding:

Application No	Location	Description
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3/39/25/013	Orchard Wyndham, Stream Road, Williton, TA4 4HH	Rebuilding of partially collapsed Dovecote including mitigation measures relating to BNG enhancement.
3/39/25/010	Highfield Barn, Station Road, Williton, TA4 4RW	Removal of Conditions No's 5,6,7 and 8 of application 3/39/24/017.
3/28/25/004	Applegarth, 35 Tower Hill, Williton, TA4 4JR	Erection of single storey extensions to the side and rear and conversion of loft space into ancillary accommodation.
3/37/25/009	Land South of Doniford Road and Normandy Avenue, Watchet	Variation of Condition No.1 (approval plans) of application 3/37/23/001 to amend house type at Plots 27 (Cc to Bm), 35 (Cc to Ea), 36 (Cc to Ea), 38 (Fa to Bd-C), 39 (Fa to Bd-C) and 40 (Bu to Bm).

25/51.2B Decision to be made as to whether a request for any of the above applications are to be considered by Planning Committee.

25/51.3B **To note the following planning decisions**

Application No	Location	Outcome
3/39/24/012	Rifle Range and Huts, Bridge Street, Williton, TA4 4NR	Grant
3/39/25/004	Bardon Barn, Washford, Watchet. TA23 0PY	Grant
3/39/25/006	Bowhayes Lodge, Smithyard Lane, Williton, Taunton, TA4 4NN	Grant
3/39/25/007	12 Catwell, Williton, Taunton, TA4 4PF	Grant
3/39/25/008	Tuesday Cottage, 21 Bridge Street, Williton, TA4 4NR	Grant
3/39/25/011	65 Long Street, Williton, Taunton, TA4 4RD	Grant

25/52B To note following the consideration of Section 106 costs for Taunton dwellings a letter had been sent to Somerset Council on 25th July 2025, a reply is awaited.

25/53B **Highways Matters –**

25/53.1B A letter had been sent to Somerset Council regarding the adoption of Blacksmiths Close on 22nd July 2025 a reply is awaited. The Committee Clerk had also sent letter to Summerfield Homes requesting information on the adoption of Blacksmiths Close.

25/53.2B A request from Somerset Council to check the salt levels in the grit bins – Cllrs to take responsibility to check the grit bins located at Bridge Close, Five Bells, Half Acre, Parish Office and Rydon Hill.

25/54B **Items to Report on Footpaths/Pavements**

25/54.1B Blocked footpath Aller Mead: email received from Alpha Housing containing Title Deeds – Attached. (deferred 25/39.1B)

25/55B **Items of Report from Grounds Maintenance Officers**

25/55.1B **Bellamy's Corner** – Young Farmers have requested permission to display scarecrows on Bellamy's Coner – attached.

25/56.2B **Street Furniture -**

25/56.3B To consider purchasing a notice board to be located in Doniford – Update from Committee Clerk.

25/56.4B Bench on Killick Way – to note that the bench had been ordered and delivery is awaited.

25/57B **Grounds Maintenance**

It has been reported that there had been broken glass found on the amenity area and other locations by Cllr Peeks (who had kindly removed the broken glass) the Committee Clerk has contacted the Ground Maintenance Contractors to remind them this would be part of their litter picking obligation.

25/58B **Flooding Matters – Update.**

25/59B **Play Equipment in Recreation Ground**

25/59.1B Update from the Committee Clerk regarding application of a grant in relation to the play area.

25/59.2B Rospa report had been received – attached. Recommendations to follow

25/59.3B It was reported that the play tower installed in August 2024 had large cracks in a post, the Committee Clerk contacted the contractor and they confirmed that we would find cracks appear during the hot months and will close up again during wet winter months and it would not be anything to be overly concerned about. (This unit does hold a 15 year warranty). To note that this unit had been inspected by Rospa in July and no concerns were reported on this play tower.

25/61B **Matters for the next meeting to be held on 13th October 2025.**