

TRULL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at 7.15pm on Monday 19th of January 2026 in the East Hall, Trull Church Community Centre, Church Rd, Trull, Taunton TA3 7JZ.

Present: Cllrs Naughton, Spensley, Clarke, Wooldridge, Barrett, Hudson, Brimble & Gapper.

In attendance: Mrs S Millard-Jones – Clerk, SC Cllr Johnson and four members of the public.

Cllr Naughton chaired the meeting and gave members of the public an opportunity to speak.

Notification was given that the meeting would be recorded for the purpose of minute taking.

Key points of public participation:

- Councillors should be cautious in sending a response to the planning department.
- Why is there is no budget line for a formal review of the Neighbourhood Plan?
- There is full support for registering further information to the Planning Inspectorate re APP/E3335/W/25/3376775

01/01 Apologies for absence: Cllr Hancock, SC Cllrs Farbahi & Johnson.

01/02 To receive declarations of personal/prejudicial/disclosable pecuniary interests

None.

01/03 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 15th of December 2025. The minutes from the Meeting of the Parish Council on the 15th of December 2025 having been previously circulated, were taken as read. It was **resolved** to approve the Minutes.

01/04 Somerset Council report: On the website.

Has set up a Q & A session with Mike Rigby regarding planning concerns. Invites all to attend.

01/05 Planning Applications:

Delegated Powers

None

Report on decisions by SC

42/25/0020 Proposed erection of 2 self- build dwellings with access, footpaths, landscaping and ecological enhancements at Land off wild Oak Lane, Trull, TA1 4QT. Decision of Refusal. **42/25/0035** Erection of extension to switch room at Electricity Sub Station, Claremont Lane, Taunton. *Decision of Conditional Approval.*

42/25/0044 Erection of a single storey extension to the side of 8 Southwell Close, Trull. *Decision of Conditional Approval.*

01/06 42/23/0042 APP/E3335/W/25/3376775 COSY BARN HOLIDAYS LTD LAND AT SWEETHAY, TRULL

Change of use of land for the siting of 10 No. tents for holiday occupancy along with moveable WC/Shower facilities, formation of reinforced grass parking area and landscaping on land at Sweethay, Trull **(R)** To consider a response

It was **resolved** to submit the key points to the planning inspectorate. To note the deadline for submissions is midnight of the meeting.

01/07 Planning Department (R) To consider a response to Somerset Council – misrepresentation of the Parish Council.

Cllr Naughton raised concerns that SC is reporting on the information from members of the public as opposed to the official record of the meetings.

It was agreed that Cllrs Gapper and Naughton will rewrite the letter for discussion at the February meeting.

01/08 Paddock (R) Update on transfer of land.

The landowner has instructed their surveyor, matters are progressing.

01/09 Grit bin (R) To consider purchase and location.

It was **resolved** to purchase the grit bin and locate in Dipford Road.

Clerk to contact Highways re refilling the grit bin.

01/10 Budget (R) To consider and approve precept request for 2026/27.

To include an agenda item for discussion on allocating funds for the Neighbourhood Plan.

To increase the precept request to £60,000.

01/11 Finance (R)

a) Approval of Payments & Receipts

To whom	Account	Description	Net	VAT	Total
S Millard-Jones	TPC	Salary/expenses/HMRC/pension January	£ 1,737.61		£ 1,737.61
HMRC	TPC	Employers Contributions	£258.81		£258.81
S Carless	TPC	Christmas tree	£75.00		£75.00
TCCC	TPC	Room hire	£120.00		£120.00

Initial	PFMC	Sanitary bins	£6.41
MaidbyMel	PFMC	Cleaning	£160.00
Parsons	PFMC	grass cutting	£179.64
TCCC	PFMC	Room hire	£10.00
Yu Energy	PFMC	Electricity	£187.26

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Nov bank interest		£9.83
VAT		£1,540.44
Allotments	TPC	£26.00
		£1,576.27
Oct Hires	PFMC	£1,392.00
	PFMC	
		£1,392.00

b) Approval of the bank reconciliation

Treasurers Account	£26,316.64
Main Account	£20,240.66
Unity CIL	£39,263.98
TOTAL	£85,821.28

01/12 Reports on the following (if available):-

- a) **KGV/PFMC** - Play equipment installation is due week commencing 19th January 2026. PFMC meeting 5th February. Looking at additional signage for dog walkers.
- b) **Allotments** – No update
- c) **Highways** - Highways are designing signage for the 30mph installation on Dipford Road. Honiton road - refresh the SLOW Replace the children crossing warning sign with a better one opposite Gatchell Green and install a Slow beside it. To replace the new junction warning sign that has come off just before Furlong Green. Update on Speedwatch team resigning and the need for some volunteers to join the group.
- d) **QE2** – No report.
- e) **Trull Village Memorial Hall** – No report.
- f) **Alms Houses** – No report.
- g) **Trull School** – No report.
- h) **Book Exchange** – No report.
- i) **LCN** – Highways LCN 22nd January. Taunton LCN – 23rd February. Transport LCN -
- j) **Neighbourhood Plan** – Next meeting with Ann Rhodes rescheduled to 6th January. Cllr Gapper's plan to
- k) **Footpaths** - No report.
- l) **Orchard Grove** – No report, meeting scheduled for 20th January 2026.

01/13 Road Closures

01/14 Correspondence

Somerset Council's Consolidation Strategy for Effective dog control. an eight-week period where parishes can review the existing arrangements and propose changes and additions before a period of public consultation.

Bill Richardson (Strongvox) will be attending the February meeting ahead of public consultation and submission of a Planning Application for circa 40 new homes at land off Honiton Road, Trull.

01/15 Items for the next agenda:

Neighbourhood Plan- budget of £10k (for March Meeting)

01/16 Date for the next Meeting – Monday 16th of February at 7.15pm

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.01pm

Chair Signature.....Date.....