



HENSTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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AGENDA

Henstridge Parish Council Meeting to be held at the Village Hall, Ash Walk, Henstridge on Tuesday 2nd September 2025 at 7.00pm.

A minute's silence for the late David Nichols who willingly dedicated many years of service to the community and this Parish Council. **Cllr Smith**

The meeting will commence after there has been an opportunity for members of the electorate of the Parish to speak. In normal circumstances this will be restricted to approximately 15 minutes in total and shall be at the Chairman's discretion. Please note, any new items raised by the public in this session will not be discussed by the council and will not be included in the minutes. Items for inclusion on the agenda should be put to the Clerk in writing prior to the meeting as listed in the final item.

- 1. Apologies for Absence.** To receive and approve apologies for absence including reasons given (Local Government Act 1972 s85 (1)).
- 2. Declarations of Interest.** (Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any Pecuniary or Other interests they may have under the Localism Act 2011 and the Council's Code of Conduct).
- 3. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Parish meeting, held on the 1 July 2025.** (Local Government Act 1972 Sch 12)
- 4. To note the minutes of the Open Spaces Committee, held on the 22 July 2025.**
- 5. To note the Actions from the 1 July 2025 Meeting and discuss any outstanding matters arising.**

6/12/22 9g	Vale Wood flood prevention: Contractor James Wright. Public Liability insurance to be provided at start of work.	On Going Cllr Thompson Work commences. September 2025
1/3/23 8f:	To RECIEVE 3 quotes for gates & signage in Oak Vale Wood once work at Vale Wood is completed.	On Going Cllr Thompson on completion of drainage work
3/10/23 8I	To note work undertaken in the cemetery Gate and posts replaced and combination lock installed. Gate to remain closed all the time. Co-mingle bin to be located at pedestrian access gate. Earth waste to be removed and green waste separated annually.	Cllr Graham Complete
3//25 8b	Cllrs to respond to planning consultation via this link https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/reform-of-planning-committees-technical-consultation/reform-	All Cllrs Complete

	of-planning-committees-technical-consultation#delegation-of-planning-functions	
1/10/24 6	Open Spaces Committee (OSC) to oversee grant from Somerset Social Investment Programme for the Allotment project. Cllrs reaffirmed decision for open spaces to oversee grant of £3,040 and budgeted allocation of £2500 for the allotment project. OSC to have oversight of both funds and final grant report. Open Spaces Committee has the authority to permit expenditure of £3,040 grant funds and £2,500 held in reserve by the Parish Council.	Cllr Scard On going
3.12.24 9c	To formally COMPLAIN to Somerset Council about their decision regarding 23/01470/OUT and allocating £40k to the golf club to provide commercial changing rooms and play group facilities several miles away from the community. The PC resolved to wait for reserve matters to materialise.	Cllr Petheram On going
3.12.24 11f	To arrange a small plaque for the cemetery wall indicating where three original graves were located within parish. Action Cllr Scard to provide Cllr Steel with details of deceased for the plaque and a quote for work.	Cllr Steel On going
4.3.25 9d	To install gov.uk domain wholly hosted by Jimmy Flynn. Cllr emails will be initiated in September 2025. Cllrs will be supported by Mr Flynn with the transition. He will send instructions for all Cllrs to assist in the transition.	Complete
4.3.25 8c	Clerk to contact Highways to request an additional Grit bin for Church Street and put up caution signs (at no cost to the PC) to protect the interests of pedestrians. Cllrs resolved that a better solution is to request signs from Highways indicating "Steep Path". Cllr Graham has cancelled Grit Bins in preference for signage and awaits highways for resolution.	Cllr Graham On going

6. Reports

- To receive any Police matters.
- To receive County reports from Cllr Hayward Burt and Cllr Nicola Clark.
- To receive the 1st Quarter report for Youth Work. Cllr Rose

7. Planning

- To **RECEIVE** an update on Application no. 25/00410/COL for a third application for a Lawful Use or Development Certificate for an existing development relating to the commencement of works 17/03029/out and reserved matters approval ref. 21/03369/rem at Land Os 5439 Part Townsend Green Henstridge Templecombe Somerset BA8 0RG. **Cllr Petheram Cllr Gaymer**
- To **RECEIVE** an update on the Enhanced Highways Pilot update **Cllr Gaymer**

c) To **NOTE** Somerset Councils local transport plans. **Cllr Gaymer**

d) To **NOTE** local plan recommendations and determine way forward. **Cllr Petheram**

e) To **CONSIDER** any new Planning Applications:

Application Number	Proposal	Location	Applicant details
25/01645/HOU	Installation of replacement oil tank; demolition of existing garden shed; and erection of replacement shed	Cross House The Cross High Street Henstridge Templecombe Somerset	David Sekers

f) To note recent **SDDC Planning Decisions**: The following applications were noted:-

Application number	Proposal	Applicant details	Decision
TrafficManagement@somerset.gov.uk >	Derestriction sign Combe Hill, Templecombe extension of the 30mph zone from the southern edge of Templecombe to the traffic lights at the top of Yenston Hill.	Templecomb request for support	Awaiting decision
Application Number: 25/01425/PAPV Prior Approval Solar Photovoltaics (PV)	Notification for prior approval for the installation of 80kWp Stranding String Solar PV System on a barn roof	Location: Farm Buildings And Land At Cherry Bulberry Farm Furge Lane Henstridge Templecombe Somerset	Approved
24/01861/FUL Validated 17.1.25	Creation of a slurry lagoon in an existing pasture with additional areas for wild-flowers and pond to allow for BNG Location: Cherry Bolberry Farm Furge Lane Henstridge Templecombe BA8 0RN	Location: Cherry Bolberry	Awaiting decision
25/00171/FUL Validated 24.1.25	Erection of a new workshop/storage building Location: Land At Henstridge Airfield, The Marsh Camp Road	Hookins	Awaiting decision
Householder Application Application Number: 25/01157/HOU	Demolition of attached outhouse replaced with single storey extension. Location: London House High Street Henstridge Templecombe Somerset BA8 0RB	Mr Richard Burton	Approved
25/01152/S73 23/01822/FUL	S73 application to vary condition 2 (approved plans) to allow changes in design, elevation style, section heights and site layout. Erection of 1 No. self-build dwelling	Land Adj. To 2 Yenston Hill Henstridge Templecombe Somerset BA8 0NA (GR:371085/121730)	Approved

8. Finance

a) To **approve** the payment schedule for payment in September **RFO**

b) To **note** receipts in report **RFO**.

c) To **receive and** approve financial internal controls following amendments made since last meeting **RFO**.

d) To **discuss** options to support the purchase of the Bird in Hand in recognition that it is a community asset. **Cllr Howlett**

- e) To **receive** a proposal from the Bird in Hand Society to request CIL funding to support the acquisition of the Bird in Hand as a community asset. **Cllr Smith**
- f) To **agree revised tenancy agreement and annual uplift to support allotment project**. **Cllr Howlett**
- g) To **note** expenditure to date from allotment grant £3,040 and £2,500 from restricted reserve help by the PC. **Cllr Scard**.
- h) To **agree** recommended quote to address Ash Die Back work in Oak Vale Woods. **Cllr Steel**
- i) To **agree** quote for £300 plus VAT for removal of earth, hardcore at the cemetery. **Cllr Graham**

9 Council Matters

- a) To **agree** the recruitment plan for 2 Cllrs following the letter of resignation of Cllr Shea. **Cllr Smith**
- b) To **clarify** the representation and responsibility for Cllrs attending the Village Hall Committee. **Cllr Smith**
- c) To **agree** recommendations for an autumn litter pick **Cllr Finch**
- d) To **note** expressed concerns from residents regarding Sherbourne Tip access. **Cllr Smith**
- e) To **receive** recommendations from playinspections.co.uk annual inspection reports and agree action plan. **Cllr Graham and Cllr Finch**
- f) To **action** response to Somerset Council regarding winter grit requirements. **Cllr Scard**

10 Agenda items for the next meeting

Date of Next meeting – The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday 7th October**. All items for inclusion on the agenda and all items to be listed under issues arising from previous meetings must be received by the Clerk by **9.00am on 20th September 25**

Ann Lee Parish Clerk