



HENSTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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AGENDA

Henstridge Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall, Ash Walk, Henstridge on Wednesday 14th January 2026 at 7.00pm.

The Open meeting

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 Gov. 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. **Dispensation for matters relating to the Bird in Hand Public House continues.**)
- 3. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Parish meeting, held on the 2nd of December 2025.** (Local Government Act 1972 Sch 12)
- 4. To note the Actions from the 2th December 2025 meeting and discuss any outstanding matters arising.**

6/12/22 9g	Oak Vale Wood flood prevention: Cllr Gaymer proposed the quote from Worthy Ground Works for £2,820 including VAT for work to commence at the end of January subject to valid public liability insurance. Action: Clerk to contact the company to advise them and request insurance certificate.	On Going Complete Clerk
1/3/23 8f:	To RECIEVE 3 quotes for gates & signage in Oak Vale Wood once work at Vale Wood is completed.	On Going on completion of work
7/10/25	Allotment: Cllrs noted the content of the report provided by Cllr Scard. Tenants will return the PC £2,500 grant as they do not see a need for it. Cllrs noted that tenants do not want to be members of the Allotment Society. Tenants have requested an additional skip from the alternative grant and clearing and weed suppression of vacant plots. Action: Cllr Scard to advise the grant making body of further grant adaptations and seek approval.	On Going Cllr Scard
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. Cllr Burt investigating see his report.	On Going Cllr Petheram

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 the deceased for the plaque and a quote for signage.	On Going Cllr Scard/Cllr Steel
2.9.25 5a	To request local intelligence concerning burglaries or other police matters that are not detailed in the reports. Action: Cllr Smith to follow up contact with the Chief Constable for local intelligence data.	Cllr Smith No response to letter written in Sept 2025.
7.10.25 10	To promote the recruitment plan for 2 Cllrs. Vacancy advert continues to facilitate co-option. Advert extended to January 2026 and added advert to WOT's on winter copy and publish on social media.	On Going Clerk
7.10.25 6f g	To follow up potential breaches in planning to land in the Parish registered as a tyre business trading as Sparewheels R us Ltd and Mobile Tyres Ltd on the Stalbridge Road. Address The Pantiles, Henstridge, Templecombe, BA8 0SA and Mrytle Cottage with newly appointed direct access for vehicles onto the A30.	On Going. Awaiting response from Somerset Council. Cllr Burt aware

5. Reports

- a) To **RECEIVE** any Police matters **Cllr Smith Nothing to note for the Parish**
- b) To **RECEIVE** County reports from **Cllr Hayward Burt and Cllr Nicola Clark.**
- c) To **RECEIVE** a verbal report following the Village Hall Committee meeting on the 16 December **Cllr Scard.**
- d) To **RECEIVE** an **UPDATE** from Open Spaces on the Allotment project **Cllr Scard**

6. Planning

- a) 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 Awaiting legal responses.**
- b) To **RECEIVE** notification on **Application 23/01470/OUT** that Somerset Council has granted planning permission for 52 dwellings with associated access, infrastructure and open space at Townsend Farm and S106 funding proposal. **Cllr Petheram. Awaiting legal responses.**
- c) To **RECEIVE** further updates on the Enhanced Highways Pilot update anticipated in an expected report at the end of September 2025. **Cllr Gaymer.**
- d) To **CONSIDER** any new Planning Applications:

Application	Proposal	Applicant details	Deadline
25/02658/COU Change of use	Proposal: Change of Use of two nursery buildings, one to an annexe ancillary to dwelling and one for domestic garden storage. Location: Sunnyside Playgroup Whitechurch Lane Henstridge Templecombe Somerset BA8 0PA	Mrs Amanda Bakewell	26 December 2025
25/02837/FUL	Proposal: Erect a new steel framed building to provide storage space	Adlem	26 January 2026

	Location: Land At Henstridge Airfield The Marsh Camp Road Henstridge Templecombe Somerset		
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e) **To NOTE SSDC 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.	Templecombe request for support	Awaiting decision
25/02791/COL Certificate of Lawful Use or Development	Application for Lawful Development Certificate for a Proposed alteration on part of the golf course, coarse fishing and up to 75 touring caravans to remain sited throughout the year and be occupied for human habitation of any type including as a person's sole or main place of residence (the lawful use), and for the siting of up to 60 touring caravans and up to 15 static caravans	Henstridge Sport And Leisure Marsh Lane Henstridge BA8 0TG	Application permitted 31 Dec 2025
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 BA8 0RN	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

7. Finance

a) To **APPROVE** the amended payment schedule for January 2026

<u>January 26 Payment Schedule</u>			
	PAYEE	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT
1	Timeback Accounts	Payroll Dec25 - INV 7401	£ 18.00
2	Henstridge Village Hall	Hall Hire HVH- INV 1958 & 2048	£ 32.00
3	Somerset Landscapes Ltd	Ranger INV 36351 (Credit £546.48 applied)	£ 273.24
4	Ring Street Filling Station	Fuel	£ 20.82
5	Mr J Graham	Reimburse - SID key	£ 25.20
6	Mr T Pulling	Ground Maintenance	£ 111.93
PAYMENTS FOR REPORT			
	Staff	Salaries and Expenses	£ 2,619.17
<u>TOTAL PAYMENTS</u>			£ 3,100.36

a) To **NOTE** receipts. Cllrs noted receipts received.

<u>Nov 25 Receipts for Report</u>		
	RECEIVED	AMOUNT
1	Allotments Various	£ 195.00
<u>TOTAL RECEIPTS</u>		£ 195.00

b) To Note the outcome of Q3 25-26 Summary RFO

c) To **AGREE** the 2026/2027 budget Full Council and the RFO.

d) To **AGREE** the 2026/27 precept Full Council and the RFO

e) To **DECIDE** if the PC provides a £15,000 grant to the Bird Society or purchases £15,000 of shares. Cllr Smith (Please read the supporting documents regarding share purchases and grant provision).

- f) To **AGREE** to a change in the range of young people who attend the Youth Club deferred from the previous meeting. Cllr Rose
- g) To **AGREE** an extra £10,000 per year for youth club services for 16 to 19 year olds. Deferred from the previous meeting Cllr Rose
- h) To **NOTE** any further expenditure from the allotment, grant £3,040 and to note the intended return to the PC of £2,500 that originated from PC restricted reserves. Cllr Scard.

8 Council Matters

- a) To **RECEIVE** feedback on the 15 October LCN meeting. **Cllr Courtenay.**
- b) To **AGREE** the agenda items for the next meeting. **Cllr Smith**
 - a) Ratification of all core policies for compliance and best practice.

Date of the Next meetings – The next Parish Council meeting to be confirmed held on **Tuesday 3 February 2026**. 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 at **9.00am on 23 January 2026** **Ann Lee Parish Clerk**