

TINTINHULL PARISH COUNCIL

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The minutes of a Parish Council meeting held on 16th February 2026 in the Village Hall

CLLRS PRESENT: Mills (Vice Chairman) Fisher, Knight, Parris and Pullen

ALSO, PRESENT: S.C. John Bailey, 4 members of the public and the Clerk, Heather Bryant

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The following comments/questions from members of the public as follows: -

- A member of the public related to a proposed application regarding the development of Trunk Road Service Area at Cartgate roundabout and the impact on the Nature Reserve at the site. There will be a talk on the history of this Nature Reserve on Friday 27th February. The member continued that there was an old report by National Highways regarding the dangerous stretch of the A303 from Cartgate Roundabout and asked if it still exists. He thought he gave a copy to our present Chairman. Somerset Councillor John Bailey reported that this application has been delayed for another six months.
- The secretary of Tintinhull Football Club informed the meeting on a proposed fun day on 6th June.
- It was reported that a school bus hit and damaged St Margarets Road sign.

REPORTS FROM:

SOMERSET COUNCILLORS

The Council received a written report from the Somerset Councillors before the meeting. Cllr Pearlstone sent her apologies. S.C. John Bailey reported that it had been over 6 months since the Parish Council was refused funding for the crossing at Head Street. If the Clerk could email him to start the process again as more children are crossing Head Street to access the fully operational Sports Field and Pavilion.

26/169 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Cllrs. Creaney, Cure and Legg

26/170 CO-OPTION OF A COUNCILLOR TO FILL THE VACANCY ON THE COUNCIL

No candidates have come forward

26/171 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND APPROVE ANY DISPENSATIONS

None received

26/172 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON 19TH JANUARY 2026

RESOLVED: to approve the minutes as a true record

26/173 PLANNING

There were no planning issues

26/174 PAVILION AND SPORTS FIELD

There has been a problem with a drain overflowing discharging waste such as wet wipes and similar after the recent wet weather. After discussion it was thought that the drain in question was the responsibility of Wessex Water plus the pavilion was not being used at the time. The Clerk to contact Wessex Water

26/175 WEB SITE

Cllr Knight gave a report on the progress of the web site

The Clerk reported that she attended excellent training session which was free, regarding Web Site Accessibility

26/176 HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

There were no highway or footpath issues

26/177 POLICY

RESOLVED: to adopt a Safe Guarding Policy as presented

26/178 ALLOTMENT RENOVATION

It was agreed to apply for a grant from Somerset Community Foundation. Cllr Pullen will obtain some estimates

26/179 SOMERSET COUNCIL ASSET & DEVOLUTION/ LOCAL COUNCIL NETWORKS
Consolidation and Consultation 2026

The Clerk reported new dog controls are being introduced by Somerset Council as follows: -

- Offence not to pick up dog faeces anywhere that the public has free access
- Dogs excluded from enclosed (fenced) play areas, ornamental gardens and burial grounds
- Dogs kept on leads at all times on high footfall locations like Vivary Park in Taunton
- New PSPOs will override local bylaws where applicable.
- This pre-consultation review period ends on 20th March

After discussion, it was agreed to request that the Sports Field requires 'dogs on leads' as there have been two incidents of dogs biting members of the public on the Sports Field both required medical attention

26/180 CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported that she had received an email from Yeovil Without Parish Council for support to a joint letter to the Secretary of State regarding the New Medium Helicopter (NMH) programme and the future of Leonardo Helicopters UK in Yeovil.

It was agreed that Tintinhull Parish Council will support the joint letter

26/181 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Snap Shot of Bank and Investment account bank balances as at **10.2.26**

PC accounts: A/c – Current £4,534 Business Reserve £91,813 (£18,158 Youth Club Fund)

Charity: Recreation A/c: £16,882 (£9,641 Tennis Club funds)

Village Hall: Current £6,153 Business Reserve £27,958

To note on behalf of the Recreation Ground Charitable Trust and Charity Village Hall Charitable Trust

ONLINE PAYMENTS; CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT, FINANCIAL REPORT

RESOLVED: that this Council approves the schedule of online payments/cheques and the Financial Report (including Bank Statement figures to **31.01.26**) subject to the requirements of our Risk Assessment Document

26/182 MATTERS TO REPORT AND ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA AT THE NEXT MEETING

Cllr Knight reported that he was looking to hold 'Well Being' sessions at the pavilion. Cllr Mills reported that he was very willing to show Cllr Knight the facilities to see if the venue was suitable.

Date of the next meeting – 16TH March 2026

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm