## WEST QUANTOXHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025 at 7.30 pm in West Quantoxhead Village Hall

## Attendees:

WQPC Councillors:	P Mote (Chairman), M Philipson, W Robinson and H Stamp		
Somerset Councillors:	None		
Avon & Somerset			
Constabulary:	None		
Clerk:	Mrs Michelle Francis		
Public:	One member		

## **Apologies:**

<b>WQPC Councillors:</b>	A Cottrell, P Gibbons and S Sherry		
Somerset Councillors:	Davies and Woods		
Other	-		

25/43	Apologies for absence as noted above and reason for absence approved
	Cllr Cottrell had expressed difficulty in attending Wednesday meetings, a discussion took place, where it was resolved Wednesday was the most convenient for the majority of members and hall
	availability, therefore, meetings would remain on a Wednesday night
25/44	Declarations of Interest
	There were none
25/45	Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025
	It was unanimously <b>resolved</b> to approve the minutes of the meeting
25/46	Matters from the Minutes – there were none
25/47	Reports
25/47.1	Avon and Somerset Constabulary – The latest newsletter had been forwarded to members. It wanted there was a new PCSO
25/47.2	<u>Somerset Council</u> – The written reports received from Cllrs Davies and Woods had been forwarded to members – noted
25/47.3	Quantock Hills JAC – Cllr Philipson advised there was a Management Review currently online. A new project was being undertaken of releasing Pine Martins on the Quantock Hills, which were beneficial for Red Squirrels
25/47.4	<u>Local Community Network</u> – The AGM had taken place in July. The main focus had been to try and get the infrastructure sorted. The ongoing issue with Watchet and Blue Anchor road was raised at the Highways meeting, where it was confirmed, this road would never reopen. It was noted the Railway was under threat due to erosion and the railway bridge was causing concern.
25/48	Correspondence
25/48.1	It was resolved to note the contents of the correspondence log. Cllr Philipson would contact Sampford Brett Parish Council regarding their Community Emergency Plan to adapt for West Quantoxhead
25/48.2	An email had been received from a parishioner regarding Fibre Broad Band in West Quantoxhead, whilst there was nothing the parish council could do within their powers, the clerk had registered to receive updates as to when fibre would be installed into the village
25/48.3	Parish Preparedness Survey – it was resolved to submit the form that Cllr Philipson had populate and circulated by email prior to the meeting
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25/49	Finances							
25/49.1	Current Financial Statement – The current account balance as of 03.09.2025, was £9,708.22, which included ringfenced funds for the Defibrillator of £1,819.62, giving available reserves of							
25/49.2								
25/49.3	undertaken.  The meeting authorised the following cheques would be issued:							
	Proposed Cllr Mote, seconded Cllr Philipson							
	Date	Details	Cheque Nos	Invoice Nos	Total Bank £	VAT		
	03.09.25	Clerk Wages Wages – July - September	241		466.45	0.00		
	03.09.25	HMRC TAX & NI	240		116.60	0.00		
	03.09.25	WQ Village Hall Hall Hire	243		26.00	0.00		
25/49.4	received to	I the clerk had requested date int – the Clerk advised th account if there was an e	nat Unity Ba	ank charged £6	per month. Na	itWest of	fered a	
	account to b	pe used.						
25/50	Planning	Landin	Dataila				0	
25/50.1	Application No	Location				Comment		
	3/38/25/001	Fields east of St Audries Bay Holiday Club, West Quantoxhead	Formation of access track/public right of way and rope bridge from St Audries Bay Holiday Club to the coast/beach (approximately 230m east)				No objection	
25/50.2	Application	Location	Deta	ils			Decision	
20/00.2	No							
	3/38/24/002	Staple Farm, Weacombe Ro West Quantoxhead, TA4 4E				Granted		
25/51	Highway Matters							
25/51.1								
25/51.2								
25/51.3 25/51.4	Salt Bins – Cllr Mote advised all the current bins were full. The new bin required placing							
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25/52	Village Defibrillator							
<u> </u>	It was reported the defibrillator had been deployed at the end of July but not used. All had been checked and reported on line							
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25/53	Bleed Kit				
	This remained outstanding				
25/54	Staple Diet				
	Cllr Stamp volunteered to write the article for the next edition.				
25/55	Matters for the next meeting to be held on 5 <sup>th</sup> November 2025				
	Budget 2026-2027				
	FUTURE MEETING DATES				
	5 <sup>th</sup> November 2025; 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2026; 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2026				
	The meeting closed at 8.19 pm				

Signed Cllr Sherry	Dated 5 <sup>th</sup> November 2025
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