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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY 14th APRIL 2026 at approximately 7.15pm After the Annual Parish Meeting to be held at 7pm AT TEMPLECOMBE VILLAGE HALL

AGENDA

The Press and Public are welcome to attend, but other than when Invited they have no right to speak.

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Open Session

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest and Dispensation - Members of the Parish Council are asked to declare any interests/dispensations that they may have in any items on the agenda.

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 10th March 2026.

4 Matters arising from the Minutes of the meetings held on the 10.3.26 (if any, that are not going to be dealt with in the meeting)

5 Correspondence
Received since the last meeting.

1) Report – April– Hayward Burt (Unitary Councillor – Somerset Council) *
2) 2nd Templecombe Scout Group – AGM Thursday 23.4.26 7pm – Scout Hut
3) Network Rail – Vegetation Management at Gillingham Station – Templecombe
4) Somerset Local Plan – Cllr Diogo Rodrigues *
5) Letter date 29.3.26 – reported loss of Hawthorne tree
6) NHS Somerset – Somerset's Big Conversation 2025 – Engagement findings report – email 8.4.26
7) Other – any further correspondence received after preparation of the agenda

***Circulated prior to meeting**

6 Planning – (S Webb/A McAree)

1) Applications (if applicable – received since publication of the agenda that require a decision prior to the next meeting)

a) Application no 22/03560/OUT – Outline planning permission with all matters reserved except for access, for up to 140 dwellings (use class C3), public open space, landscape planting and biodiversity enhancements, vehicular access from Bowden Road, community use (flexible use class E, F1 and/or F2), and associated infrastructure works – Land OS 6975 South of Bowden Road Templecombe - update on any matters since the March meeting (if applicable)

i) PFA Consulting – Pedestrian crossing at Throop Rd – planning application 22/03560/OUT email dated 31.3.26

b) Application no 26/00606/S73 – S73 application to vary condition 2 (approved plans) and 3 (materials) of approval 25/01320/HOU – erection of a single storey oak framed barn for parking vehicles – The Cider Press Middle Throop Farm Throop RD

c) Application 26/00489/FUL – Change of use from mixed use (dwelling and former fish and chip shop) to a single dwelling – 1 High Street

d) Application 26/00443/ADV – Display of 7 non-illuminated wall mounted business identification signs (retrospective) – Unit 2 and 3 The Old Sidings Station Road.

e) Application 26.00427/S73A – S73A application to vary condition 1 (approved plans) for minor amendments to planning permission 21/00046/REM – Land at Slades Hill

2) Determinations – (if applicable)

3) Knights Meadow Development – update if applicable (S Webb)
a) Planning Enforcement Officer – update if applicable
b) 106 Agreement – Transfer of land for additional burial ground land – update if applicable.

4) **Other** a) Planning Committee South next meeting 21st April 2026 2.00 pm The Council Chambers Council Offices Brympton Way Yeovil**.** Update on Meeting held on 17th March 2026. (cancelled)

7 Village Hall - update (if applicable) (Clerk/R Cave)

8 Accounting matters – (S Webb D Molineux Clerk)
1) To approve accounts and authorise payments.
2) Appointment of Internal Auditor
3) Other

9 Local Community Network LCN Meeting – next meeting to be held on 7th May 2026 (note change of date) (R Cave/D Savage/Clerk) venue to be confirmed.
a) Update on the Highway meeting held on the 3rd March (R Cave/A Kerry) – circulated prior to meeting (Next meeting 2.6.26)

10 Other matters reported for discussion
1) Remembrance 2026/Poppy of Honour – update if applicable
2) SCRAPP Meeting - update (Chaiman/A Kerry)
i) Letter to Sarah Dyke MP – (A Kerry)
3) Somerset Council – Briefing 16.3.26 – update on the Local Plan/Local Transport Plan
4) Somerset Council – Crisis and Resilience Fund – to get help with school holiday fund and oil costs support
5) Defibrillator training (S Hood)
5) Other – if applicable

11 Recreation Ground Project – update (A Kerry, S Hood, D Savage, E Crowther, D Molineux)

12 Templecombe Together - (S Hood) – update

13 Parish Council website – (E Crowther)
a) Accessibility Statement
b) IT Policy

14 Update on traffic matters/calming modifications (A Kerry, Clerk)
1) Speed Indicator Device (SID) – update

2) A357 issues around Templecombe – if applicable
3) Other

15 Highways – (A Kerry, Clerk)

Clerk to update on various highway issues if applicable.

1) Damage to wall around the Yew Tree – update
2) Casterbridge Place – section of verge at entrance – update
3) Derestriction Templecombe Henstridge Combe Hill – update
4) Somerset Council – Enhanced Highways Maintenance Scheme for highway works funded by City, Town and Parish Councils – 8.4.26
5) Somerset Bus Partnership – update - (S Webb)
6) Other matters – if applicable not on Agenda.

16 Environmental/Open Spaces/trees/Weed out working group (M Vaughan, P Coombes, A McAree)

a) Hedge and Lawn Ops – email 22.1.26 Review of maintenance work - update

b) Other

1) April Report (P Coombes)

17 Footpaths Report - (M Vaughan)

18 Burial Ground/ Closed Churchyard Report (Clerk)

19 Recreation Ground Matters/Children's Play Area – (D Savage/P Coombes)

A) Play Area Report/Quarterly/Annual - issues that need attention if applicable

i) Elite Playground Inspections – Inspection contract April 2026

B) Social Club Report (S Hood, D Molineux)

C) Other

a) Changing Rooms – Replacement inner door quote - update

20 Any other business/items for Agenda for the next meeting on Tuesday 12th May 2026. Agenda items to Clerk by Monday 4th May 2026. The meeting will commence with the Annual Parish Council Meeting at 7pm and the usual monthly meeting will follow on afterwards.

21 Confidential session - To receive information concerning a potential complaint concerning a planning application.

signed T. S. Chapman **Clerk/RFO dated 8.4.26**