

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
18 May 2026
held at the Jubilee Club House, Lydiard Millicent
at 19:00 hrs

Councillors Present:

S Westwood, Chairman	G Griffiths	S Hill-Wheeler	R Selwood
M Allsop, Vice Chairman	J Sprules	S Trowbridge	

Others in Attendance: 1 member of the public.

Meeting Clerk: Hayley Graham

Public Question Time: There were no public questions.

Councillor Question Time: An update was given by Councillors Griffiths and Trowbridge in relation to the suspected data capture issues with the Council's Speed Indicator Devices (SID). There appears to be a memory issue with the SID at Stone Lane which has been reported to the manufacturer, awaiting a response. Both SIDs have been updated to the latest software, and some tests were run to verify the accuracy of the data captured. This data will be reviewed and an update brought to the next meeting.

MINUTES

26.41 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were RECEIVED from Councillors Bamsey, Neighbour and Roberts.

26.42 Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests

No declaration of interests were made.

Councillor Hill-Wheeler wrote to the Clerk requesting a dispensation in relation to the planning appeal PL/2024/06287 – Land at Greensend, SN5 3LP. In accordance with Standing Order 13, the Clerk granted Councillor Hill-Wheeler a dispensation in the interests of persons living in the parish area, granted for a period of two years.

26.43 Financial Accounts

Members NOTED the report and APPROVED an expenditure of £370.00 (three hundred and seventy pounds) (ex. VAT) to renew the Handyman's ROSPA routine playground inspection certificate. Cost to be met from the training budget.

Planning Applications

Members RECEIVED the draft written representation for planning appeal PL/2024/06287 – Land at Greensend, SN5 3LP. Standing Orders were SUSPENDED for public comment and
26.44a REINSTATED before Members discussed further. After discussions, RESOLVED to
26.44b delegate the updating of the draft representation to Councillor Westwood and the Clerk with
26.44c the following additions:

- concerns relating to inappropriate statements in the appeal regarding potential alternative planning applications that may be submitted if the appeal is dismissed
- to highlight that the application to which the appeal relates was for the “completion of one existing redundant building and erection of one new building”. The existing redundant building was demolished as part of an enforcement order and so there are questions around the validity of the appeal.

26.45 Common Platt Defibrillator

Members NOTED the report and AUTHORISED the Clerk to reject the Community First conditional grant offer on the basis that it will not prejudice any further applications.

26.46 **Grant Applications**

Members CONSIDERED the application and received an update from Councillor Allsop with further detailed event costs. After discussions, Members RESOLVED to award a grant of £200.00 (two hundred pounds) to Lydiard Millicent Parish Hall (registered charity 305542) under its power given in Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Parish Hall trustees were encouraged to explore the Wiltshire Council Area Board grants information shared by the Clerk in recent weeks to establish if the projects for which it is currently fundraising, could be eligible.

SSEN Communities Fund

- 26.47 Despite best efforts, only one supplier has provided a quote for solar panels at the Jubilee Club House. As such, the Council do not meet the grant criteria of three quotes and cannot make an application at this time. Councillor Trowbridge will continue to pursue additional quotes and the Clerk will continue to establish VAT implications in order to be fully prepared for when the next funding window opens.

Meeting Closed at 19.44hrs