

BARWICK AND STOFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Agenda for the Parish Council Ordinary Meeting 18th of February 2026



Barwick and Stoford
Parish Council

**To: The Chair Gwen Findlay and all members of
Barwick and Stoford Parish Council**

You are summoned to attend the Meeting of Barwick and Stoford Parish Council,
to be held at Barwick and Stoford Community Primary School BA22 9TH,
commencing at **7pm on Wednesday the 18th February 2026**, for the purposes of
transacting the business as outlined below.

Kate Fullerton, Parish Clerk, 12th February 2026

Members of the public are welcome to attend and will be given an opportunity to speak. Please contact the clerk (details below) by Monday the 16th of February 2026, should you wish to speak.

- i. 7:00pm Public session – an opportunity for the public to speak
- ii. 7:20pm To receive Somerset Council Councillor reports

Meeting opens:

AGENDA

- 1. 7:30pm To receive and consider any apologies for absence and to resolve to accept or refuse them.
- 2. 7:30pm To receive any declarations of interest.
- 3. 7:30pm Planning
 - a) To provide comments on a new planning application(s):
None.
 - b) To consider any recent planning applications from Somerset Council (South), received in the days after the agenda has been circulated and before this meeting. **Interested public and parish councillors; please refer to (South) Somerset Council planning portal for details of planning items that might be discussed under this item: <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/planning-buildings-and-land/view-and-comment-on-a-planning-application/> .**
 - c) Determination of applications.
- 4. 7:40pm To approve the minutes of the last parish council meeting, held on the 21st of January 2026.
- 5. 7:45pm To review actions from the minutes of the last meeting.
- 6. 7:50pm Public Works Lending Board (PWLB) Loan
 - a) Report to Council / Business Case – To receive a summary report on the New Community Hub Building Project.
 - b) Understanding the need for and implications of a PWLB Loan.
 - i. Effect on budget.
 - ii. Effect on precept.
 - iii. Repaying the loan and the Plan B Scenario.
 - c) Resolution to Borrow
 - i. To table a proposal to seek the approval of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities & Local Government to apply for a PWLB loan of up to £275,000 over the borrowing term of 20 years, to finance the new community hub project at Whitcross Recreation Ground. The annual loan repayments will cost an estimated £22,972. It is not intended to increase the council tax precept for the purpose of the loan repayments.
- 7. 7:50pm Finance and Regulatory Information.
 - a) To receive a second quote for a CCTV installation at Whitcross pavilion.
 - b) To receive two quotes for grass maintenance 2026/27.

- c) To receive the Bank Reconciliation for all bank accounts.
- d) Invoices & payments.
 - i. K Fullerton – Clerk salary February 2026 £ 1027.12
 - ii. K Fullerton – Wfh Feb 2026 & reimbursements £ 33.98
 - iii. Somerset Council Pension Fund – Feb 2026 £ 387.88
 - iv. HMRC – PAYE February 2026
 - v. SALC – Training – AGAR – New Assertion 10 £ 25.00
 - vi. PWCR - Inv38/12/5060(25)5 Bldg Regs etc. £13,084.50
 - vii. Clear Councils – Insurance for PC and Rec Trust £ 821.55
 - viii. The Elec Group – PAT Testing Inv BC8945 RE-ISSUE CHEQUE £ 216.00
 - ix. K Higgins – Whitcross cleaning £ TBA
 - x. Octopus Energy – Whitcross electricity Jan 25 £ 62.66



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- 8. 8:05pm Community Hub Development Working Group Committee.
 - a) To review progress on the Football Foundation grant application.
 - b) To discuss progress on the application for a Public Works Lending Board Loan.
 - c) To request community stakeholders' letters of support for the new community hub project, detailing the positive impact on that stakeholder's activities – church, BSCC, Litter pickers, school, football club etc.
 - d) Update from the fundraising group - Big Lottery, Reaching Communities grant application – RK, RS, NE.
- 9. 8:15pm To consider any urgent Highway issues:
 - a) Proposal for parking restrictions by the Green – Cllr Bruckel
 - b) To receive the Non safety Defect Report for the Coker Ward.
- 10. 8:20pm Local Community Network (LCN) – to note any useful meeting dates.
- 11. 8:25pm Footpaths.
- 12. 8:35pm To discuss Ranger matters.
- 13. 8:40pm Speed Indicator Device (SID).
- 14. 8:45pm Whitcross Recreation Ground – items to refer to the Recreation Trust.
- 15. 8:55pm To set a date for the Annual Meeting of the Parish (1st of March – 1st of June 2026)
- 16. 8:55pm The Green, Stoford
 - a) To consider planting a tree to replace the fallen cherry tree.
 - b) To discuss and arrange a professional survey of the trees on The Green.
 - c) To consider the adoption of a maintenance plan for trees on The Green.
- 17. Correspondence – to record correspondence received.
 - a) Crime Stoppers – Grant request.
 - b) Citizens Advice Bureau – Grant request.
 - c) Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance – Grant request.
- 18. 9:00pm Items for the next Agenda.
- 19. 9.00pm Date of the next meeting
 - Ordinary Parish Council Meeting - Wednesday the 18th of March 2026.
 - Recreational Trust Meeting of the Trustee – Date to be advised.