

**Minutes of a Meeting of Batheaston Parish Council  
held at Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2026  
at the Rhymes Pavilion**



**Present: Cllrs Alexis Pavlou (Vice Chair of Council),  
Arif Butt, Catherine McCarthy, Peter Lewis,  
and Sue Peachey**

**PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

**1. Council accepted** apologies for absence from Cllr Bryant, Gray, Skelton and Squire.

1.1. The Clerk passed on apologies from Ward Cllr Sarah Warren.

**2. Three were no declarations of interest** from Councillors.

**3. Public participation** regarding matters on the agenda.

3.1. A resident attended to comment on the Planning Application 26/02238/FUL, Item 12.2.4.

3.1.1. He described the area on which the proposed development would take place, commenting that it is unstable, so will need considerable groundworks before building can commence, and also that trees will be lost to the development.

3.1.2. Although the development is in Bathford Parish, he said that it is used by residents of Batheaston for leisure, and that there will be considerable disruption in Batheaston during construction, with heavy traffic accessing the site.

3.1.3. Chair brought forward the item 12.2.4

**12.2.4 Planning Application Reference: 26/02238/FUL**

Site Location: Field Between Meadow Park and Box Road, Meadow Park, Bathford

Description of Proposal: Erection of 4 no. residential dwellings (Use Class C3) and associated infrastructure.

**COUNCIL resolved** to object to the application, citing the following issues:

- ecology – access to green space
- erosion of PROWs
- heavy traffic
- impact on Batheaston.

**Clerk**

**3.2. Residents attended to raise issues regarding parking (Item 7.1.3)**

3.2.1. They commented that they have recently moved to the Parish from a part of Bath in which Resident Parking Zone had been introduced, and this had brought about positive change immediately.

3.2.2. The Chair brought forward item



**7.1.3 To discuss parking matters**, with a view to soliciting views from all residents and to seeking ideas and assistance from B&NES.

7.1.3.1 Council requested the Clerk to ask B&NES what levers we have, and how a survey would work, and report back to the next meeting.

**Clerk**

3.3. Rob Mimmack, a trustee of the Youth Club, attended to support the Grant Application (Item 6.1)

3.3.1. He thanked the Council for the grant of £5,000 awarded in xxx, which he said had helped the Youth Club attract 237 new members over the past 12 months.

3.3.2. The Youth Club are now hoping to reintroduce a residential trip, taking 12 children to an activity camp run by PGL. They plan to ask for a contribution of £50 per child by families.

3.3.3. The Chair brought the item forward.

**6.1 Council approved** a grant of £1,000 to the Batheaston Youth Club to support a residential trip for young people.

#### **4. Minutes of Previous Meetings**

4.1. **Council approved** the minutes of the Meeting of Council held on 9th June 2026.

### **FINANCE**

#### **5. Finance Operations Matters**

5.1. Council noted the record of transactions for June 2026.

5.2. Council noted the current status of finances.

#### **6. Community Grants**

6.1. Item taken earlier.

### **WORKING GROUPS**

#### **7. Highways Transport and Planning Working Group**

7.1. Council received a verbal report from Cllr McCarthy.

7.1.1. Council approved up to £2,250 to replace the streetlight at the junction of Northend and Hollies Lane.

7.1.2. Council noted the response submitted to the Preliminary Consultation on Parking Restriction Proposals (A).

7.1.2.1. They noted in particular that our corrections had been incorporated into the proposals, and that the net effect was a slight reduction in the restricted space.



7.1.3. Item taken earlier.

## **8. Nature and Environment Working Group**

8.1. Council received a verbal report from Cllr Lewis.

8.1.1. Council noted B&NES Climate & Nature Strategy Survey 2026

8.1.2. Council noted that B&NES have proposed to install signage in the Riverside Park for the Riverline ([www.bathriverline.co.uk](http://www.bathriverline.co.uk)), which will terminate here.

## **9. Communication and Community Working Group**

9.1. In Cllr Skelton's absence, Cllr McCarthy updated Council on the recent progress in installing new noticeboards. She commented that a further two are to be installed by the bus stops at the bottom of Coalpit Road Hill, and outside 41, Elmhurst Estate.

## **10. Batheaston Sports Foundation (BSF)**

10.1. In Cllr Bryant's absence, Cllr Peachey (a Trustee of the Charity) updated Council on the recent meeting.

10.2. Council approved the operational lease briefing note, and the cost of up to £1,750 for legal services to provide this.

10.3. Council approved the draft Management and Support Agreement with BSF.

## **PROJECT GROUPS**

### **11. Summer Party**

11.1. In Cllr Squire's absence, Council noted the progress.

## **STANDING ITEMS AND REPORTS**

### **12. Planning Applications**

12.1. To resolve to submit the attached responses on the following Planning Applications to Bath and North East Somerset Council (A):

12.1.1. Reference Number: 26/02351/FUL  
Site Location: The Vine House Bailbrook Lane BA1 7AB  
Description of Proposal: Erection of a detached dwelling

12.1.1.1. **Council approved** the text with amendment to the text to refer correctly to "the previous occupant".

12.1.2. Reference Number: 26/02348/FUL  
Site Location: Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd Northend BA1 7EN  
Description of Proposal: Change of use of a Church (Use Class F1) to Class E (Part Class E(f) Day Nursery and part Class E(g) Offices) together with associated works



12.1.2.1. **Council approved** the submission.

12.2. **Council resolved to submit responses to not oppose** the following Planning Application to Bath and North East Somerset Council:

12.2.1. Reference Number: 26/02168/FUL

12.2.2. Reference Number: 26/02465/VAR

12.2.3. Reference Number: 26/02522/FUL

12.2.4. Item taken earlier.

12.3. Council noted that the following decisions have been notified by Bath and North East Somerset Council since the last meeting.

12.3.1. Application Number: 26/01530/FUL      decision PERMIT

12.3.2. Application Number: 26/01832/TCA      decision No Objection

12.3.3. Application Number: 25/04649/FUL      decision PERMIT

12.3.4. Application Number: 26/01741/FUL      decision PERMIT

12.4. Council noted that these decisions align with the comments of the Council, with the exception of 12.3.3, 25/04649/FUL, for which Council did not submit a comment.

**13. Clerk's Report**

13.1. Council received a report from the Clerk. (Clerk, A)

13.1.1. Council approved the schedule of meetings in first half of 2027.

13.1.2. Council approved the Council's participation in the Energy at Home event on Saturday 7th November.

**14. Chair's Report**

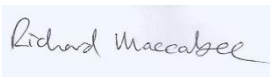
14.1. Council received a verbal report from the Chairman. He wished everyone a good summer break.

**Meeting Closed at 8:51pm**

**Forthcoming Meetings:**

Parish Council Meeting, 8<sup>th</sup> September 2026

Council meetings are open to the public, and members of the public are welcome to join and may speak by invitation.

Signed: -  Parish Clerk

Date issued: 29<sup>th</sup> July 2026