

STANTON FITZWARREN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the 4th Ordinary Meeting held on 3rd September 2025 in The Village Hall.

PRESENT: Cllr. T. Charnock (Chair), Cllr. R. Codrington, Cllr. S. Tomlin, Cllr. D. Tucker, Cllr. N. White, and Mrs T White (Clerk).

Meeting Commenced at 6.30pm

25/26. APOLOGIES

Cllr. S Weisinger (Blunsdon & Highworth)
Cllr. V Manro (Blunsdon & Highworth)

25/27. OPEN 10 MINUTES & PUBLIC SURGERY

No members of the public attended.

25/28. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations

25/29. TO AGREE AS CORRECT THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 2nd July.

Minutes of the above meetings were approved and signed.

25/30. PLANNING

- a. One Planning notice S/25/0250-Battery storage at Solar Farm where SBC will be holding a Committee Meeting on 9th September. Cllr Charnock to attend.

25/31. CLERK'S REPORT

- i) Financials £5,926.40 spent, or 43.1% of budget. Invoices are needed for Church Yard maintenance and Village Hall grant to progress payments.
- ii) Risk Assessment and Tree Management Policy currently under review.
- iii) SLCC Training on Transfer of Assets completed and outputs shared with Councillors.
- iv) Awaiting audit report for 2025/5 financials.

25/32. MATTERS OUTSTANDING REGISTER

- i) Solar Farm

- a. Cllr Charnock confirmed Solar Farm cannot be switched on until April next year.
 - b. Cllr Charnock will obtain up to date contact details for Solar Farm following report of deceased deer and for completion of rectification work on the verges.
- ii) Church Lane Gate
 - a. Agreed that Cllr Charnock will contact hotel to confirm preferred option of double Ludlow Gates and supporting material.
- iii) Playpark
 - a. Cllr Tucker advised that moss has returned and will be undertaking further treatment when weather allows. One post cap will also be fixed shortly.
- iv) Car Security and speeding
 - a. Cllr White confirmed car security action is now closed.
 - b. Cllr White has consulted with PCSO Vicky Townsend on speeding through the village. She has committed to parking in the village on ad hoc basis to show a police presence with a view to deterring speeding. She will also explore speed monitoring report for other potential measures.
 - c. Cllr Codrington will report speed survey results on the Village Facebook page.

25/33. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

- i) Cllr Charnock attending next SLCF meeting 18th September in place of Cllr Codrington.

25/34. PLAY AREA

- i) Cllr Tucker confirmed weekly inspections in place. Defects regarding moss and post cap noted above.
- ii) Annual ROSPA inspection taking place in September.

25/35. COMMUNITY

Cllr White is attending Tockenham Emergency Plan Meeting on 17th September.

25/36. OTHER ITEMS WITH PERMISSION OF CHAIR

- i) All Councillors agreed we will be following SBC's new Code of Conduct. Clerk will confirm back to SBC.
- ii) Cllr Charnock and Cllr White to review Willow Gardening Services responsibilities.
- iii) Following Tree Inspection at 4 Trenchard Road, Clerk seeking confirmation on work schedule and timelines.
- iv) Clerk to share Swindon Local Plan consultation details with village for input and attendance. Councillors have confirmed attendance at sessions.
- v) Cllr White to invite PCSO Vicky Townsend to next Parish meeting.
- vi) Agreed that the Clerk will advertise Council meetings in advance, with the agenda and minutes, on the Village Facebook page.

24/37. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND BANKING

- i) Cllr Charnock signed Financial Reports for July and August
- ii) Cllrs Codrington and White signed off bank statements.
- iii) Cllrs Charnock and Tucker signed cheques.
- iv) Bank balance on 31st August is £10,938.05.

MEETING DATES

The next Stanton Fitzwarren Parish Council meeting is Wednesday **5th November 2025** to be held in the village hall at 6.30pm.

THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 8.00pm