NYNEHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 17th August 2026 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, NYNEHEAD

The meeting started at 19.30 and concluded at 20.55

Present	Dr J Butterley - Mrs A Harcombe - Mr M Vest – Mrs R Ball Risk – Mr Peter Swinburn. Somerset Councillor Mr G Wren attended the first part of the meeting. PC Toby Caswell attended the first part of the meeting.

26/077	Apologies	None
26/078	Declarations of Interest	There were no Declarations of Interest or Dispensations.
26/079	Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of the meeting held on 20th July were approved and signed as a correct record.
26/080	Actions from the previous meeting	(i) Revised Register of Interests forms (apart from Mr P Swinburn) were uploaded to the website
26/081	Planning Matters	None
26/082	Police Report	(i) There were 11 calls to police for Nynehead, Oake and Bradford on Tone for the month of July. 1 Burglary, 2 Abandoned 999, 4 Assist other services ,1 Malicious communication, 1 Suspicious. PC Caswell informed Members of investigations into16 burglaries in the Wellington area where the two suspects were tracked using mobile phone data. He also advised residents to report antisocial behaviour either online at www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/report/anti-social-behaviour or by phoning 101.
26/083	Rights of Way	(i) **Footpath WG 7/1** – SC Cllr Gwil Wren has reported the blocked footpath to SC Footpaths Officer John Melrose.
26/084	Highways	(i) **Speed Indicator Device** – the latest figures from the data show 6.5% of vehicles passing the device are travelling at speeds greater than 20mph. This is a greater percentage than reported last month because speeds less than 15mph are no longer being included in the analysis. Cyclists or pedestrians are likely to make up the majority of the sub 15mph data. Members agreed that screenshots of the SID dashboard (kindly created by Mr Ian Rutherford) should be published on Nynehead Now and that all councillors will receive the link to the dashboard. (ii) Road markings – roundels, work on this has not progressed this month. (iii) **Fire Hydrants** – recently there was a serious fire in Oake that totally destroyed two homes. The fire crews attending has difficulty locating working fire hydrants. Therefore Oake Parish Council decided to map their hydrants. Residents are encouraged to identify and know the location of their nearest fire hydrant.
26/085	Parish Council Administration	(i) Scribe Receipts and Payments - noted (ii) Google analytics for nyneheadparish.gov.uk – There were 149 active users in the UK last month but the average viewing time was short, only 24 seconds. (iii) Update on Clerk vacancy – a very promising candidate was recently interviewed and the process of appointment is ongoing.

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26/086	Receipts and Payments	(i)The Council authorised and instructed payment for: (a) The Clerk's Salary (311.40) and Expenses for July(66.25) Total **£377.65** (b) HMRC (Clerk's PAYE for July) **£77.80** To be paid on **15th September 2026** (c) The Clerk's Salary (311.40) and Expenses for August(20) Total **£331.40** (d) HMRC (Clerk's PAYE for July) **£77.80** (e) Maintenance grant for All Saint's Church Burial Ground **£630** (f) Maintenance grant for Jubilee Playing Field **£500** (g) Cloudways Apr-Aug, Reimburse Mr J Toye **£52.14** (h) Parish Online – additional storage for gov.uk domain **£50.40**
26/087	Election of Chair	(i) At the end of the meeting **Dr J Butterley resigned** as Chair. **Mr P Swinburn was proposed as Chair** by Dr Butterley, he was seconded by Mrs A Harcombe and his appointment as Chair agreed unanimously by all Members.
267/088	Items requested for next agenda	Items Requested for the next Agenda (19th October 2026): (i) Road markings - roundels