

NYNEHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 16th June 2025 AT THE
MEMORIAL CLUB, NYNEHEAD

The meeting started at 19.30 and concluded at 20.52

Present	Dr J Butterley - Mrs A Harcombe – Mrs R Ball Risk - Mr M Vest – Mr G Wren (Somerset Councillor) attended the first part of the meeting. Mr F Meadows attended the majority of the meeting.
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25/228	Apologies	– Mr Jeremy Toye
25/229	Declarations of Interest	There were no Declarations of Interest or Dispensations.
25/230	Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of the meeting held on 19 th May were approved and signed as a correct record.
25/231	Actions from the previous meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nynehead Court does not have a defibrillator. (ii) Apologies from Jacqui Young (Village Agent) for not attending the APM, she thought that she had sent me an apology email. (iii) Syed Shah SC Liaison Officer has confirmed that he will attend PCM on July 21st (iv) Advice from Webnos : Register the East Nynehead defibrillator on The Circuit, the national ambulance-linked system that tells 999 call handlers whether your defibrillator is available for emergency use, and if it's within deployment range.
25/232	Planning Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Planning Application – 26/25/0004/CQ – Change of use of barns north of Toogoods, East Nynehead. NPC response – Storm Water Objection The existing barns at Toogoods/Grain Store shed surface water into the adjacent field ditch (to the west) and the entrance sheds water onto the Highway. The field ditch (to the west) flows from north to south and crosses under the East Nynehead to Bradford-on-Tone road in a culvert which is too small for the combined field and barns heavy rain flows and as a consequence the road floods - which in turn comes close to flooding 5 properties on the south side of the road. It is noted and appreciated that the prior approval application deals with the entrance road run-off by installing a cut-off drain and appropriately sized soakaway system. However, no such soakaway provision or attenuation is provided for the general surface water run-off from the buildings and yard/parking areas which flows into the existing ditch as described above - which in heavy rainfall floods the road and comes close to flooding the 5 houses on the south side of the road. Accordingly, the Parish Council objects to the application and requests that a condition be imposed that requires the development to instal suitably sized soakaway and/or attenuation provision such that surface water from the development does not contribute to flooding the highway (and potentially adjacent properties) where the ditch that the development currently drains into crosses under the East Nynehead to Bradford-on Tone highway. (iv) 26/25/0003 - Island Cottage fence - Heritage Objection. Planning Permission Decision - Refusal (v) 26/25/0001- Change of use of the Old School Building – Approved
25/233	Parish Council Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) AGAR Annual Accounting Statement - approved (ii) AGAR Certificate of Exemption - approved (iii) Dates for the Exercise of Public Rights - noted (iv) Scribe Receipts and Payments - noted (v) Reserve balances for 2025-2026 - approved

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		<p>(vi) Risk Assessment Policy – updates approved</p> <p>(vii) MPs Public Meeting and Constituency Surgery in Nynehead Saturday 12th July - noted</p> <p>(viii) Defibrillator Training Courses – these will be run on Monday 23rd and Thursday 26th June at 7pm by Wiveliscombe Community First Responders.</p> <p>(ix) Google analytics for nynehead.org – 210 active users, page views for memorial Hall were down 54% in the last 2 weeks since the Hall’s new website was launched</p> <p>(x) Update on Emergency Plan For Nynehead – for next agenda</p> <p>(xi) PC representative for Memorial Hall committee -Mr Gary Sparks (Chair Nynehead Memorial Hall) agreed that the NPC does not need to appoint a representative to sit on the Memorial Hall committee as NPC doesn't have any direct involvement in the running of the Hall.</p> <p>(xii) Members agreed to move NPC the Meeting date to 7th December 2026. This breaks from the norm of the third Monday in the month.</p>
25/234	Police Report	<p>(i) Crime Stats for Nynehead, Oake, Bradford on Tone, Langford Budville. There was 3 police reports for Nynehead, Oake, Bradford on Tone, Langford Budville for the month of May. These calls involved: 2 Theft, 1 Blackmail. There was 1 report of Anti Social Behaviour</p>
25/235	Rights of Way	<p>(i) NPC is actively seeking a replacement Footpath Liaison Officer.</p> <p>(ii) The Clerk emailed Rachel Pearce (SC Senior Rights of Way Officer) about the footpath to Bradford-on-Tone WG 14/1 asking if NPC can do anything to aid the footpath re-instatement. No reply received to date.</p>
25/236	Highways	<p>(i) Update on Nynehead Hollow Trees – moved to agenda for July PCM</p> <p>(ii) Mr M Vest is aiming to secure a site meeting with Kate Brown (SC Highways Engineer) to agree on the location of new flood markers at Hornshay and possibly Ash river crossings.</p> <p>(iii) SIDs – The Clerk is still awaiting Avon & Somerset Police Road Safety Fund grant applications to re-open.</p>
25/237	Receipts and Payments	<p>(i) The Council authorised and instructed payment for:</p> <p>(a) The Clerk’s Salary (297.08) and Expenses (20) Total £317.08</p> <p>(b) HMRC (Clerk’s Tax for May) £74.08</p>
25/238	Correspondence	<p>(i) Following a recent email from Mr F Meadows, Members discussed how to encourage residents to become more involved and engaged in Parish Council meetings. In order to give Members time to research possible options for changes to the agenda and possible addition of a Public Question Time will be added to the next July agenda.</p>
25/239	Items requested for next agenda	<p>Items Requested for the next Agenda (21st July 2025):</p> <p>(i) Emergency Plan For Nynehead</p> <p>(ii) Nynehead Hollow Trees</p> <p>(iii) Changes to agenda to accommodate a Public Question Time</p>