

## FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MINUTES

16<sup>th</sup> March 2026

N Beebee (in the Chair)

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| P Bruce   | (P) | P Sykes       | (P) |
| P Kembery | (P) | D Marriott    | (P) |
| N Beebee  | (P) | L Fogg-Rogers | (A) |
| C Watkins | (A) | N Labuschagne | (P) |

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Two members of the public in attendance.

144.03/26 Evacuation procedure - Leave via the fire door and assemble outside in the car park

Noted

145.03/26 Apologies.

Cllrs Fogg-Rogers and Watkins

146.03/26 Declaration of Interests under the Localism Act 2011.

Cllr Labuschagne: South Gloucestershire Councillor and Green Community Transport Grant

147.03/26 Public participation

A query was raised regarding the Winterbourne Down Carnival grant. Member of public was advised this would be discussed during this agenda item.

It was asked if there were plans to address the flooding in the car park at the Recreation Ground. Clerk advised there are no current plans and this project was not in this years budget.

148.03/26 To agree the minutes of meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**RESOLVED**, the minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026 were agreed and signed.

149.03/26 Clerk's report and action update

**Noted**

❖ The Casual Vacancy will go to an election, to take place in May.

❖ Pavilion Update:

- Sadly the showers are still not draining. Clerk has instructed Fast Fix to come and investigate.

- ❖ Tree Giveaway day was a huge success with many residents coming to get a tree and look around the pavilion.
- ❖ Clerk has contacted South Gloucestershire Council in a bid to discuss current leases for Monks Pool and Bradley Brook.
- ❖ Clerk has applied for Bankline, with all members of F&GP allocated as users.
- ❖ Hambrook Common – hogging path: 18/8 quote requested from Frome Valley Landscaping. 15/8 awaiting quote. 20/10 awaiting quote. 06.11: Clerk has advised **LFR** to consult with Frome Valley Landscaping to advise of the potential location. 10.12: no update 19.01: no update 16.01: no update. 16.03: FVL have been advised of location. Action closed until quote is received.
- ❖ **Clerk** is requesting land registry documents for Tuckett Field. 20/10: Land registry is processing the application. 16.11: no update 10.12: no update 19.01: no update 16.01: Clerk has chased awaiting update. 16.03: LR advised as this is a new application it will take 18 month. Action closed until later in the year.
- ❖ Hambrook Common Bench: **LRF** to discuss with Hambrook Commons Committee the best location for the bench. 16.03: Applicant has been advised of preferred location. Action closed.

## **OUTSTANDING ACTIONS**

**None**

### 150.03/26 Reports from members

#### Frenchay (PK & CW)

Nothing to report

#### Winterbourne, to include the Recreation Field, Duck Pond and Allotments (NB, SH, JL)

Nothing to report

#### The Dingle, Winterbourne Down and Hambrook (LFR & DE)

Nothing to report

#### The Greenfield Centre (DN & Clerk)

Clerk advised The Greenfield Club will be closing at the end of the month.

#### East of Harry Stoke (PS & PB)

Next meeting is 29<sup>th</sup> April. Cllr Sykes will attend.

### 151.03/26 To agree the following requests:

#### 151.03.01/26 - Grant Requests

- Winterbourne Tennis Club: £587.00 (£400 lighting contribution, £187 youth equipment). RESOLVED, to award the full grant
- Frenchay Cricket Club: £521.45 (youth training). RESOLVED, to award the full grant
- Green Community Transport: £500. RESOLVED, to award the full grant

- Salem Methodist Church: £375. RESOLVED, to award the full grant.
- Winterbourne Down May Day Carnival: £2,176.00. RESOLVED, to award £881 to cover the cost of security, road closure and rubbish clearance, on condition the parish council are included in any pre-event advertising (as per the sponsorship packages)
- Hambrook Sports Club: £261.53 (asset management). RESOLVED, to award the full grant.

#### 151.03.02/26 – Memorial Bench

- Frenchay Common (previous request) RESOLVED, to approve the request. Councillors will meet applicant for a site visit to agree the location
- Whiteshill Common – RESOLVED, to approve the request. Cllr Fogg Rogers to meet with applicant for a site visit to agree location.

#### 152.03/26 To consider recommendations from the Climate and Nature Committee Funding for Nature sign lecterns. RESOLVED, request of £1,150 approved.

#### 153.03/26 To consider and make agreement on renovations to Early Years

Clerk advised that one of the doors in Early Years is in need of replacing. RESOLVED, to approve the quote of £2,195.00 to be taken from Greenfield Centre reserves  
Clerk advised another quote had been received for Early Years flooring as requested at the previous meeting. RESOLVED, to approve the quote of £2,350.00 to be taken from Greenfield Centre reserves.

#### 154.03/26 To consider and make agreement on requests from Hambrook Sports Club

- Pitch conditioning works: RESOLVED, to allocate the £4,000.00 in the 2026/2027 budget to the works and request the Sports Club fund the difference. Members would like to see a current bank statement prior to the next meeting.
- Frampton Rangers FC using Whiteshill Common: RESOLVED, to accept the request on a one season trial.

#### 155.03/26 To consider and make agreement on employer pension contributions RESOLVED, to pay pension contributions on gross salary.

#### 156.03/26 To consider and make agreement on the purchase of a laptop RESOLVED, to agree the purchase at a cost of £850.00 plus £100.00 set up fee

#### 157.03/26 Tuckett Field Easement Update

Clerk advised that a meeting had been held with National Trust. They advised that the reason for wanting the easement is so they can get a grazing grant. Clerk and Cllr Collins will go through the response from the solicitor regarding the easement and respond to National Trust.

#### 158.03/26 Any other items to note from members

None

Meeting concluded 8.15pm