

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting
Held at the Beambridge Inn on May 12th 2025

[A] Apologies were received from Councillor Hasell, PC Hill and Somerset Councillor Wren

[B] There were no members of the public present

Item 1: There were no disclosures of interest by councillors

Item 2: Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved

Item 3: There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

Item 4: No police report had been received

Item 5: Planning, Infrastructure and Development.

[1] Councillor Mansell updated the Parish Council on the signage at the Holywell Lake/A38 crossroads. There is a small issue with the existing fingerpost and the council agreed to assist in finding a suitable remedy.

ACTION: Clerk to purchase suitable paint and arrange remediation by a trained technician. To be placed on the June agenda

[2] It was noted that the signage at the top of Wellington Hill has been recently refurbished

Item 6: Financial Issues

[1] No Community Infrastructure Levy Funding (raised by the local authority on new development) has been received this year hence the return was nil

[2] It was agreed that the council is in a healthy situation, although there may be increased costs in the future, with the possibility for example of significant planning applications. There was some discussion on any necessary or expedient expenditure. The clerk outlined the absence of agreed funding from the police regarding the Speed indicator devices, despite agreements going back several years and constant requests for information. Consideration was given to self-funding

ACTION [1] Clerk to contact the police and highways engineer again to ascertain the position of the agreed funding

ACTION [2] Clerk to collate data on types of device and costs and bring to the June meeting

ACTION [3] Clerk to request data regarding the last siting of the speed indicator device and possible further placement at Ford Street.

[3] Consideration will be given to the financial situation at the next meeting and requests can be made to the clerk preferably by email or in writing prior to that to be placed on the agenda.

Item 7: County, District and Unitary Authority Councillors. See item 5 above

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Item 8: Any other urgent business.

[1] The council meetings have moved to Sampford Arundel Parish Rooms with effect from June 2025. The support of the Beambridge Inn over the years is very much appreciated.

ACTION: Clerk to write to the Beambridge expressing our gratitude

[2] The Chair reported that the kissing gate in the Monument Woodland had not yet been repaired.

ACTION: Clerk to follow up with the National Trust and Somerset Woodlands.

Date of the next meeting

9th June at Sampford Arundel Parish Rooms starting at 7.00pm

Signed and dated as a true and accurate statement