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Minutes of the Meeting of Englishcombe Parish Council held on Wednesday 2nd September 2026 at 19:30 at The Tithe Barn.

Councillors: Cllr Anne Corlett (Chair), Cllr Mycroft Croisdale-Appleby, Cllr Robert Law, Cllr Will Pow, Cllr Lee Giles and Cllr Ash Smith (20:02).

In attendance: J Turner (Parish Clerk/RFO) and Cllr M McCabe (BANES).

Members of the Public: None.

02-09-2026-01	To receive questions from the members of the public present. There were no members of the public present.																														
02-09-2026-02	To receive any apologies for absence. The Council noted apologies from Cllr N Spicer.																														
02-09-2026-03	To consider any Declarations of Interest and to approve any dispensations for this meeting. None received.																														
02-09-2026-04	To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Englishcombe Parish Council held on Wednesday 8th July 2026. RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record.																														
02-09-2026-05	Englishcombe Parish Council Finance: 05.1 To approve the expenditure report for September 2026. RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to approve the expenditure and authorise the payments as below: <table><tr><th>Payments for September</th><th></th><th></th><th></th><th></th></tr><tr><th>Payee</th><th>Invoice Detail</th><th>Gross</th><th>Our Ref</th><th>Legal Power to Incur Expenditure</th></tr><tr><td>J Turner</td><td>Restrospective Approval: Clerk's Salary from August - December.</td><td>£ 2,999.41</td><td>08-26-001</td><td>Local Government Act 1972 - s. 112</td></tr><tr><td>Cloudy IT</td><td>Email Migration.</td><td>£ 292.50</td><td>09-26-001</td><td>Local Government Act 1972 - s. 142</td></tr><tr><td>Avon Local Council's Association</td><td>Sexual Harrasement Training - 1 Councillor.</td><td>£ 35.00</td><td>09-26-002</td><td>Local Government Act 1972 - s. 111</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Total for September 2026.</td><td>£3,326.91</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> 05.2 To note the cashbook for Quarter 2 of the Financial Year. The Cashbook was noted to the end of August 2026. 05.3 To approve the bank reconciliation and bank statements for Quarter 2 of the Financial Year. RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to approve the bank reconciliations for July and August 2026. These were duly signed. 05.4 To note the budget monitoring report for Quarter 2 of the Financial Year. The Council noted the report. The RFO stated that expenditure was high due to the purchase of the three defibrillators which will be offset by a donation. The Council were awaiting the paying in book from Unity Trust Bank to bank the donation cheque.	Payments for September					Payee	Invoice Detail	Gross	Our Ref	Legal Power to Incur Expenditure	J Turner	Restrospective Approval: Clerk's Salary from August - December.	£ 2,999.41	08-26-001	Local Government Act 1972 - s. 112	Cloudy IT	Email Migration.	£ 292.50	09-26-001	Local Government Act 1972 - s. 142	Avon Local Council's Association	Sexual Harrasement Training - 1 Councillor.	£ 35.00	09-26-002	Local Government Act 1972 - s. 111	Total for September 2026.		£3,326.91		
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05.5	To note the NJC pay award for 2025-2026. The Council noted the 3.3% pay award agreed by the employers. The Council noted the pay award to the Parish Clerk, backdated to 1 st April 2026.
05.6	To consider the draft budget for the 2027/2028 financial year. The Council considered the document and will review it at its future meeting. It was noted that a permanent meeting venue would need to be found for the next year. The Council made no changes to the draft budget.
02-09-2026-06	To consider any planning applications or consultations received:
06.1	Any applications received after the agenda was issued. None received.
02-09-2026-07	To receive updates from members on ongoing Parish matters:
07.1	Bath and North East Somerset Councillor Report. The Council noted the verbal update from Cllr McCabe. Waste collection changes were imminent, and letters had been sent to the people that were affected. Some collection days are moving from the schedule that they are currently collected on. The BANES Local Plan was published today within the Cabinet Papers and will be out for formal consultation from 14/09/2026. This plan will be submitted to the planning inspectorate in December 2026. The consultation period ends at the end of October and BANES are seeking views from everyone. Residents are encouraged to respond to this consultation and if they have any questions, they can contact the Parish Clerk. The West of England Combined Authority's (WECA) consultation will be live in the near future. BANES are now out of special measures which was a positive step for the authority.
07.2	Parish Council Chairman's Report. No report received.
07.3	Rural Public Transport, Roads and Parish Maintenance Matters. The Council noted the consultation of double yellow lines at the bottom of Padleigh Hill and the Clerk had written to Highways to ask why the double-yellow lines could not be put to the bottom of Padleigh Hill as there have been many near-misses and dangerous parking. The Clerk will chase this and report back to members about the extension of the double yellow lines. The Chair will send images to the Clerk of parking at the top of Padleigh Hill, which has become an issue. It was noted that the sight line on the approach to Padleigh Hill is an issue and is hard to see around. The Clerk will also raise this with the Highways Team. There is a 'Report-It' function on the Avon and Somerset Police button where Councillors and Residents can raise the issue of dangerous parking as well as any other non-urgent issues.
07.4	Parish Council Website and Communications. The new format of the Englishcombe Parish Council news was well received by residents and had received positive feedback. The Council's email system should be onboarded with CloudyIT this month.
07.5	Parish Defibrillators. There has been no further action on the installation. The defibrillators should have now been

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	delivered to site and installation will now be imminent. Cllr Croisdale-Appleby has ordered the plaques that will be sited next to each defibrillator.
07.6	Millstream, Orchard and Wheelwrights sub-committee. The Council noted a complaint about some branches obscuring the gateway, which had now been sorted.
07.7	Bath and North East Somerset Council's Local Plan. No report was received.
07.8	Englishcombe Parish Events. No report was received. There had been no uptake from residents. Cllr Croisdale-Appleby will be arranging a quiz night. Cllr R Law provided an update on the afternoon tea held by the Church which was a good success.
07.9	The Duchy of Cornwall. The Council noted that the Licence Agreement for the land adjacent to The Old Schoolhouse had come to an end and the land had returned to The Duchy. The Duchy have confirmed that the land has been sold and will be converted into residential use. Residents may have noticed that The Duchy had taken down some dead elm trees along the footpath behind Innox Grove as part of their tree safety programme. The Council asked if there had been any progress on the Wheelwrights Barn and any funding towards this. Cllr W Pow will speak to The Duchy on this matter.
07.10	Speed Indicator Devices for the Parish (Community Speedwatch) Cllr A Smith jointed the meeting. He had contacted residents but had not received any responses to his email on this project. Cllr Smith will reach out. The Chair will send the details of the next steps for the funding application to Cllr A Smith.
07.11	BANES Community Resilience Day. The event was being held on 19th September 2026, 11am – 3pm at Hicks Gate Fire Station.
02-09-2026-08	To note the future meeting dates of Englishcombe Parish Council for 2026/2027 as below, all to commence at 7:30pm. • Wednesday 4th November 2026. • Wednesday 6th January 2027. • Wednesday 3rd March 2027. This was noted.

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 20:10.