

BROAD TOWN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9th March 2026 at 6.30pm
In the Village Hall

Present: Councillor R Pearce – Chair
Councillor S Hartley – vice Chair
Councillor B Davis
Councillor J Rawlins

Officers: Caroline White – Parish Clerk

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were six members of the public present.

The Chair reported that Councillor Morley has resigned and thanked him for his five years' service on the parish council.

A resident requested more No Dogs signs up at Redhills as there are dogs being taken into the play area.

Another White Horse talk is planned for Tues 5th May in the evening and the annual liming will be on Sunday 10th May.

25/188 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

25/189 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

25/190 MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9th February 2026, having been previously circulated were agreed as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman, Councillor Pearce.

25/191 CORRESPONDENCE

The PC's request for Pye Lane gully to be added to Highways' schedule

A resident reported that the footbridge on the footpath across Church Farm House field has been removed by WC as unsafe but will be replaced later in the year.

The clerk responded to Reuters requesting possible mitigation of the charge for use of its image on the PC website.

The C415 speed limit revision has been approved by the cabinet member.

The Bumps group confirmed they are aware pricing structure would need to change in future if a further community fund grant were not to be granted.

Application Number	Location of Development	Description of Development
PL/2025/07334 Comment by: 2/3/2026	BINCKNOLL COTTAGE, CHADDINGTON LANE, ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT, SWINDON, SN4 8QT	The erection of a two-storey rear extension and single storey side and rear extension on the ground floor along with alterations to the existing ground floor roof. Alteration works to replace all windows, rainwater goods and apply render to the new and existing walls. Installation of ground installed PV array.
PL/2026/00894 Comment by: 24/2/26	Land at 34 Broad Town Road, Broad Town, Swindon, SN4 7RB	Erection of 1No dwelling
PL/2026/01177 Comment by: 24/3/26	14 BROAD TOWN ROAD, BROAD TOWN, SWINDON, SN4 7RB	Proposed Side and Rear Extension

PL/2025/07334 No Objection

PL/2026/00894 No Objection

PL/2026/01177 No Objection

25/ PLANNING APPLICATIONS DETERMINED

Application Number	Location of Development	Description of Development	Decision
PL/2025/08470	Bincknoll Farm, Chaddington Lane, Broad Town, Royal Wootton Bassett, SN4 8QR	Notification for Prior Approval for the Change of Use of Two Agricultural Buildings including Associated Building Works to Create Three Dwellings.	Withdrawn by Applicant

Noted

25/ BANK BALANCES AND BANK RECONCILIATION at 28.2.2026

Balances:

Treasurers Account	£60.19
Capital Projects Account	£15,351.05
Community Fund	£13,195.42

Bank reconciliation:

Treasurers Account	£60.19
Less unrepresented cheques	£ Nil
Cashbook Balance	£60.19

The cashbook and bank balances were noted.

25/ PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL

CLERK SALARY

Members are requested to approve the payment to the Parish Clerk and to HMRC.

Proposed by Councillor Rawlins, Seconded by Councillor Hartley and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

25/ AUDIO RECORDING PC MEETINGS

The Chairman stated that he will report that the Clerk records meetings. Recordings are deleted after Minutes have been approved.

25/ WILTSHIRE COUNCIL BRIEFING NOTES

None

25/ EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Please note no decisions can be made on these items. Anything raised which requires a decision of the council will be included as an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

Councillor Davis reported that the next Churchyard cleanup will be on Saturday 14th from around 10.00 – 12.00

REVIEW OF ACTION POINTS

Person	Action	Notes
Clerk	Submit No objection to planning application Clarify with Bumps and Beyond that repeat solar fund grants cannot be relied upon Contact MO re protocol for potential interest Research re-tendering for grass cutting service	Y Y No reply – to follow up Y in progress
Cllr Rawlins	Research Anti bribery policies Follow up the plan to provide a ToR for PC Planning response protocol; to distribute reported findings to Cllrs	In progress
Chair	Speak to Queen Elizabeth Cottage to ask if they can cut their roadside hedge since it interferes with passing straw trailers and creates straw in road	Y; to follow up if action not done

Chair and Parish Clerk	Add the gully in the Pye Lane lay by to the Wilts Council list of gullies. The Chair will document the location on the gully map.	Y Acknowledged by Martin Cook's department in his absence
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Next Meeting Monday 13th April

Meeting closed at: 1909

Signed: Dated:

Chairman, Councillor R Pearce