

### PEASEDOWN ST JOHN PARISH COUNCIL

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19th November 2025

#### To Councillors:

Fiona Carr; Mandy Clarke; Richard Clarke; Jo Davis; Audrey Gillard-Sprake; Gavin Heathcote; Simon Kidd; Andrew Larcombe; Conor Ogilvie-Davidson (Vice-Chair); John Ogilvie-Davidson; Jonathan Rich (Chair); Les Sprake; Kathy Thomas.

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Full Council** meeting of Peasedown St John Parish Council at **Beacon Hall** on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 6.30pm** for the purpose of transacting the business detailed below.



## **AGENDA**

# Co-Option of three residents to the Parish Council

#### 6:30pm

C062 – 30/09/2025 Parish Councillor Vacancies	5 min
i. To receive update and clarification from clerk regarding process for co-option.	6:30pm
ii. To undertake co-option voting for the current casual vacancies.	
C058 – 30/09/2025 Resolution Relating to Confidential Nature	2 min
To pass a resolution that in accordance with Standing Order 3c in view of the	6.35pm
special or confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable	
in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they are	
instructed to withdraw.	
C059 – 30/09/2025 Casual Vacancy	4 min
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To receive an update on the current casual vacancies and to make any associated	6.37pm
To receive an update on the current casual vacancies and to make any associated decisions regarding candidate interviews and the process for co-option.	6.37pm
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decisions regarding candidate interviews and the process for co-option.  C060 – 30/09/2025 Parish Councillor Vacancies  To undertake individual dialogue sessions with those candidates available to attend.	20 min

### Meeting of the Full Council

7:00pm

Please be aware that this Parish Council meeting may be recorded, in accordance with the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014. We kindly ask that anybody intending to record the meeting please inform the Chair or Clerk beforehand in order that any necessary arrangements can be made [particularly in order to satisfy the protection of children, the vulnerable and other members of the public who actively object to being filmed].

<u>Public Session</u> - 10 minutes at which members of the public can attend to express their view on matters relevant to this agenda or the parish in general. Please be aware that if matters are raised not related to this agenda, they cannot be further discussed by the Council at this meeting but may be considered at a later meeting. Once the meeting has been opened, then only members of the Council may speak, unless officially adjourned for specific reason.

Members of the public are welcome to stay and observe the rest of the meeting (apart from those items which state they will be discussed in closed session).

C055 – 30/09/2025 Attendance Roll Call and Declarations of Interest	1 min
To action the attendance register and to receive any declarations of Members' Interests in any	7:04pm
item on the agenda, which have not already been disclosed to the Monitoring Officer.	
Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any interests they may have in any	
issues arising at the meeting which might conflict with the business of the council and	
how these interests impact on their involvement with discussions and voting.	
C056 – 30/09/2025 Attendance and Apologies for Absence	2 min
To note the update on councillor meeting attendance throughout the 2025-26 council year.	7.05pm
To receive and note any apologies for absence for this meeting.	
C057 – 30/09/2025 Items for Urgent Report	2 min
Items which have been brought to the attention of the Chair, prior to the meeting, and that, in	7:07pm
their opinion, should be reported on as a matter of urgency.	-
C063 – 30/09/2025 Minutes	4 min
<ol> <li>To <b>resolve</b> to approve the minutes of the <b>Full Council</b> meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025.</li> </ol>	7:11pm
ii. To sign the above listed minutes.	
C064 – 30/09/2025 Council Committee Updates	15 min
To receive updates and make associated decisions on any recommendations raised at the	7.26pm
following meetings, which have met since the last Full Council meeting. To also provide	
opportunities for councillors to raise questions and comments to the chairs of the standing	
committees:	
Finance and Governance Committee – Meeting Held on Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	
1. To vote on the following <b>motion</b> raised after discussion at the Finance and Governance Meeting held	
on 28th October 2025: to resolve to receive the application from Bath All Starz Cheerleading and to	
grant £600 from funds available in the community grants budget. The application had been received by	
Peasedown St John Parish Council prior to the closing date in September 2025 but not presented to the Finance and Governance at the meeting on the 28th of October.	
Finance and dovernance at the meeting on the Zoth of October.	
Proposed by Cllr Kathy Thomas	
Seconded by Cllr Andy Larcombe	
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2. Full Council to note the awarded grants as follows:	
2nd Peasedown St John Brownies and 1st Peasedown St John Guides – The committee resolved to fund	
the purchase of small interest badge books to the value of £130.	
St Joseph's RC Church / Churches Together – The committee resolved to fund the purchase of a	
microwave to the value of £80.	
Miners Carnival Club – The committee resolved to fund materials up to the value of £400 for named	
and invoiced items.	
The Hive Community Centre / Family Hub – The committee resolved to fund toys and play equipment	
up to the value of £400 for named and invoiced items	
Avon & Somerset Police / PSJ School Mini Police – The committee resolved to fund the cost of coach	
transport to the value of £245.	
Amenities 9 Facilities Committee Masting hold on 10th November 2025	
Amenities & Facilities Committee – Meeting held on 18 <sup>th</sup> November 2025.	
1. Report back to Full Council on the observed changes in ear-marked reserves presented to A&F on the 18 <sup>th</sup> of November 2025	
2. Recommend Clerk proceeds to cost training courses for two full-time staff members to	
maintain play equipment and bring to Full Council from this committee.  3. To agree the cost of no more than £6000 for the refurbishment of lino flooring throughout	
Beacon Hall ground floor and to agree to bid for this in the 2026/27 budget setting. Clerk to	
proceed to get three quotes to bring to Full Council to allow a recommendation to be made to	
release the ear marked reserve	

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- 4. **Recommend** to Full Council that we proceed with Radcliffe recommendations to upgrade the fire alarm system and take over managed fire and security having reviewed the three quotes and to **recommend** that Full Council take the funding from infrequent operational expenditure.
- 6. **Propose** Council accept quotation from RJSurfacing to improve the pathway at Beacon Field with concrete edging at a cost of £32, 282.71 and **recommend to** Full Council that cost is taken from General Reserve and Beacon Pathway Ear-marked Reserve.
- 7. **Recommend** that the sourcing of granite slabs is delegated to the Clerk with the support of this committee to find three quotes to purchase 15 slabs and bring pricing to Full Council for agreement of where funding comes from.
- 8. Propose the signing and witnessing of the Eckweek Lane Bridleway dedication
- 9. Consider the suggested increase in payments for services at Ashgrove Cemetery
- 10. Consider the suggested table of increase in payments for Braysdown Allotments

Planning Committee – Meeting held on Tuesday 11th November 2025.

Propose to use advert information from newsletter to go on Mercedes Roundabout signs. Chair of Planning will book time with parish staff through teams to create artwork ready for submission to BANES planning, once Full Council has approved

**Staffing Committee** – Meeting held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025.

To note the forthcoming Standing Committee meetings:

- ➤ Amenities & Facilities Committee Meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday 06<sup>th</sup> January 2026.
- Finance & Governance Committee Meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- ➤ **Planning Committee** Meetings scheduled to be held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December and the 13<sup>th</sup> of January 2026.
- > Staffing Committee Meeting scheduled to be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025.

# C065 – 30/09/2025 Financial Matters & Schedule of Payments

In accordance with the Financial Regulations:

**10 min** 7.36pm

- i. To note movement from Sage to Xero.
- ii. To review and **resolve** to approve the schedule of payments and ratify those already made in relation to the accounts for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.
- iii. To review the report on General and Ear Marked Reserves and Committed Expenditure as part of the Order of Known Business for the 2025-26 council year.
- iv. To agree to adopt the Reserves Policy provided in pre-reading
- v. To **note** the report from the internal auditor following her visit on 07/11/2025
- vi. To **agree** the additional visit of the internal auditor due to the newness and experience levels of Clerk and RFO

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To receive a progress update on the projects (potential and agreed) and make any associated decisions. To include:

- ➤ Wildlife Pond at Ecewiche Green Resolve to agree to purchase of trees for Beacon Field (see quote in pre-reading) and release funding for pond construction so deposit can be paid.
- Beacon Park Footpaths update on number of tenders submitted for consideration, potential cost and timings
- New War Memorial to be located at the Recreation Ground update on plans going forward to construction
- ➤ **Agree** to appoint Solicitors to deal with the Transfer of Land from Taylor Wimpey to Peasedown St John Parish Council (see quotes in pre-reading)
- ➤ Video for Promotion of Parish Council Work To agree to appoint Helena Midgeley to create a new video of the Councils work ready for annual village meeting and new website.

**20 min** 7:56pm

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To review the list of other potential projects councillors previously indicated their support for and to receive any associated updates.	
C068 – 30/09/2025 Advisory Panel Updates	15 min
A. To consider any new members to be appointed to the existing Advisory Panels.	8.11pm
B. To note the summary report of Advisory Panel meetings held in the last Council year along with attendance numbers.	
<ul> <li>C. To note the reports from the following Advisory Panels - any recommendations or motions raised requiring resolution are specified below: <ol> <li>Football Club Liaison Advisory Panel – No meeting held.</li> <li>Parish Map &amp; Signage Advisory Panel – Meeting held on 21st August 2025. To receive a progress update on this project and make any associated decisions.</li> <li>Land Transfer Advisory Panel – No meeting held but to receive an update on progress and make any associated decisions on the land transfer and associated works.</li> <li>Advisory Panel for Hire Agreement Beacon Field Panel convened as part of F&amp;G meeting on 28th October 2025. Panel consists of F&amp;G members only, no other Councillors wished to be part of the committee. Discussed regulations in regard to BANES (as the Unitary Council) hire of public spaces and two key questions for Peasedown St John Parish Council</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
D. To note the scheduled forthcoming meetings for the following Advisory Panels: i. Parish Map and Signage Advisory Panel – No meeting held	
C070 – 30/09/2025 Correspondence, Complaints & Issues	5 min
To review items of significant correspondence, complaints and issues received since the last meeting that should be brought to the Council's attention for information and possible future action. To include:  Trip hazard on Orchard Way pavement – ignored by Unitary Council as not bad enough to require work – several residents have tripped on this, and one has ended up with broken arm requiring the need for ongoing treatment.  Shoscombe Parish Council has contacted the Council with a Query – Council to decide a response	8.16pm
C071 – 30/09/2025 Future Agenda Items & CIIr Questions	2 min
Opportunity to provide the Clerk with requests for possible future agenda items and to raise	8.18pm
questions on items not otherwise covered on the agenda.	
C072 – 30/09/2025 Date and Time of Next Meeting	1 min
The next meeting of the Full Council is scheduled to be held on Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 7pm at the Beacon Hall.	8.19pm