

### **DURRINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**

COUNCIL OFFICE, VILLAGE HALL, HIGH STREET, DURRINGTON, SP4 8AD Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 30th September 2025 at 7 p.m. in the Robinson Room at the Village Hall, Durrington, SP4 8AD.

Present

Members Cllr G Wright – Chairman

Cllr S Smith - Vice Chair

Cllr J Todd Cllr P Paul

Cllr P Galan-Bamfield

Cllr G Eydmann Cllr A Stafford Cllr K Johnson Cllr R Lock Cllr S Paines Cllr S Rennie Cllr V Mabb Cllr C Butler

Officers J Tudor – Clerk

A Budge – Deputy Clerk

Public 1 member of the public was present.

**Public Participation -** There was no public participation.

The Chairman reminded members the meeting was being recorded.

There were no questions for the unitary councillor on his previously circulated written report.

There were no members of the public for co-option

### **Council Meeting**

55/25	Acceptance of Apologies.	
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Botham.	

56/25 Declarations of interest.

No declarations of interest were received.

57/25 Approval of minutes.

The minutes for the meeting on the 29<sup>th of</sup> July were approved and signed.

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# 58/25 Matters arising from the minutes.

There were no outstanding matters arising.

# 59/25 Interview of co-option candidates.

There were no candidates.

#### 60/25 Questions on the Chairmans report.

The Chairman's report was noted.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Eydmann for his work on the pump track event. The Chairman confirmed that since he had completed his report, Cllr Johnson has taken on the following roles Emergency Planning, Council representative to the World Heritage Site Partnership and Flood warden.

# 61/25 Questions on written reports.

None received.

## 62/25 Questions on the Clerks report.

No questions were raised.

# 63/25 Proceedings of committee.

The minutes from the Facilities and Amenities committee meeting of the 8<sup>th of</sup> July and the Finance and HR committee meeting of the 15<sup>th of</sup> July were accepted.

### 64/25 Accounts.

- a. The cheques and debits for July and August were accepted.
- b. The bank reconciliation for July and August were accepted.

#### 65/25 Proposals – the Council resolved to: -

- a. Defer the adoption of a recording policy.
- b. Adopt the model councillor-officer protocol.
- c. Approve Cllr Wright, Cllr Rennie and the Clerk as signatories on the Nationwide High Interest Account.
- d. Approve payment of 25% of the cost if LHFIG installs parking bollards in Birchwood Drive subject to plan and cost approval.
- e. To approve revised plans for yellow lines on New Road.
- f. Note the External auditor's response to the audit for 2024-25.
- g. Approve the appointment of Cllr Johnson to the Facilities and Amenities committee and Cllr Mabb to the Finance and HR committee.
- h. Approve in principle the installation of a pump track.
- i. Note Cllr Eydmann undertook new councillor training in September.

### 66/25 Planning.

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# PL/2024/02283: Full Planning Permission

Land at Hackthorne Road, Durrington – revised plans for 68 houses. The Council considered the revised plans and decided the revisions did not adequately address the safety concerns; it agreed to comment on the

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revisions with an objection on the basis that the new arrangements for pedestrians are not acceptable.

PL/2025/07048 – Full Planning Permission ESSO, Larkhill Road, Durrington, Salisbury, SP4 8DP Retrospective application for siting an In Post Locker.

The Council considered the issues around parking and access to the lockers, and resolved to object to the lockers on the basis that the users park on the pavement forcing pedestrians into the road and obscure the access to the Esso Garage Forecourt.

### 67/25 Discussion points.

# Name of the council.

Cllr Paul suggested that the current name of the council does not reflect the large electorate and proposed the name change to Durrington and Larkhill Town Council. The Council agreed to investigate the procedure for changing back to a Parish Council and or to change the name to Durrington and Larkhill. The Chairman will research and report back. There will be a cost to any name change and this will need to be considered.

#### 20mph speed limit.

Cllr Paul asked why the 20mph limit could not be applied to the whole village. When Wiltshire Council consider a 20mph limit it can only do so when the average vehicle speed for road is less than 25 mph. The roads that have a 20mph speed limit are narrower and some have no pavements. Extending a blanket limit could cost Wiltshire Council approximately £14,000. Larkhill Road being an A road is not eligible. It was decided not to take the matter further at this time.

# **Youth Provision.**

It was noted that a new Squirrels group are starting in Durrington. There is otherwise no youth provision. Cllr Lock suggested the Council put on events like those with Wiltshire Youth for Christ, it was agreed that the Council contact WYFC again for new events.

68/25 Correspondence.

The Clerk had received a significant correspondence regarding a tree.

69/25 Confidential Business.

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There was no confidential business.

70/24 Date of the next meeting 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

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