



**DURRINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL OFFICE, VILLAGE HALL, HIGH STREET, DURRINGTON, SP4 8AD**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday 28th October 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  
Cllr S Botham

**Officers**

J Tudor – Clerk

**Public**

No members of the public were 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**

**71/25**

**Acceptance of Apologies.**

There were no apologies.

**72/25**

**Declarations of interest.**

Cllr Paines declared an interest in item 81/25 p.

Cllr Mabb declared an interest in item 81/25 b.

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- 73/25 Approval of minutes.**  
The minutes for the meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025 were approved and signed.
- 74/25 Matters arising from the minutes.**  
The recording policy is being dealt with by the Chair of the Finance and HR committee. The Chairman advised the LHFIFG email he tried to send was not successful and would be sent again to all members. The request to change the name of the council was investigated and is possible but will require a lot of subsequent paperwork. Cllr Paul said he would consider taking the matter further.
- 75/25 Interview of co-option candidates.**  
There were no candidates.
- 76/25 Questions on the Chairmans report.**  
The Chairman's report was noted.  
The Chairman completed a training skills matrix prepared by Cllr Smith and advised all councillors complete the document when it is circulated. He also asked that councillors send any queries to one of the chairs. Cllr Paul asked about agenda items and if they are missed should they approach the Clerk. The Chairman agreed agenda queries should go to the Clerk. The Chairman commented there were too many emails sent to him where he was CC'd in and he asked councillors to consider if it was necessary to CC in all councillors.  
  
Cllr Eydmann commented that he was unaware of the police visit last weekend and the Chairman said that he had asked the Police to advertise more so that more members of the public were aware of the scheduled events.
- 77/25 Questions on written reports.**  
None received.
- 78/25 Questions on the Clerks report.**  
Cllr Galan-Bamfield felt the Clerk was overly optimistic with her report stating that the Budget could be presented to the Council in November.
- 79/25 Proceedings of committee.**  
The minutes from the Facilities and Amenities committee meeting of the 30<sup>th</sup> September and the Finance and HR committee meeting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> September were accepted.
- 80/25 Accounts.**  
a. The cheques and debits for September were accepted.  
b. The bank reconciliation for September was accepted.
- 81/25 Proposals – the Council resolved to: -**  
  
a. Approve the Hire Charges for 2026/27.  
b. Approve the Allotment Charges for 2027/28.  
c. Approve the Cemetery Fees for 2026/27.  
d. Review and accept the Internal Auditors Interim Report.

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- e. To approve no ad hoc bookings are taken over the period from the 22<sup>nd</sup> December to the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2026.
- f. To approve the closure of the Office from the 22<sup>nd</sup> December to the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2026.
- g. To acknowledge the two Statutory Days holiday are the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> December 2025.
- h. To acknowledge Cllr Johnson had checked all invoices under Finance Regulation 2.6.
- i. To acknowledge the playpark inspections for August and September 2025.
- j. To approve the Pump Track Action plan.
- k. To agree a quote for the Pavilion alterations.
- l. The Councillor's Training Policy was deferred.
- m. To approve the Compassionate Leave Policy subject to one agreed amendment.
- n. To approve the Expenses Policy.
- o. To approve the Whistleblowing Policy.
- p. To approve the gifts for Durrington ward at Salisbury District Hospital.
- q. To note the Chairman undertook training, Cllr Johnson and Councillor Eydmann completed training in October.

**82/25**

**Planning.**

No applications were considered. The planning permission for the lockers at the Esso garage was refused.

**83/25**

**Correspondence.**

There was no correspondence of note.

The Chairman reminded all councillors of the cemetery ceremony with the junior school children placing the crosses on the commonwealth graves.

**84/25**

**Date of the next meeting 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025.**

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