



Minutes of the Meeting held at Morganians RFC on Thursday, 21st May 2026, following the Annual Meeting.

Present are Parish Cllrs Davies, Bond, Mason, Lane, and the Clerk in attendance.

26/05/63 There were apologies from Messrs Kennedy, Ellicott, Ms Browne, Councillors Dingwall and Rodrigues. No personal/prejudicial/disclosable pecuniary interests were declared.

26/05/64 Resolved to accept minutes from the meeting held 23rd April 2026.

26/05/65 Matters arising from the minutes – 26/04/48 motorbikes – agreed: if this continues, report each incident to the police.

26/05/66 Councillor Rodrigues report is at the foot of the minutes.

26/05/67 Parish Councillors discussed the difficulties they face in getting things done for the parish. They talked about their plans and the difference they want to make for the parishioners. Frustrations raised, Willow Man, Youth Club, issues raised by parishioners, such as allotments. Collectively, they agreed that there must be a push to complete projects. The clerk reminded them of the available funds and asked them to consider how these could be used for the greater good. The prevention of vehicles returning to Old Bath Road was discussed. DL suggested that a gate would be a good means of a barrier, whilst retaining emergency access should this ever be needed. Resolved that RD would meet with Highways to discuss this. They also resolved that a response to emails was required to expedite achievement. The ongoing problems with land at Plum Lane, including continued waste dumping, were discussed. The EA are involved, and it was resolved that further support should be sought from the local MP.

26/05/68 Proposed Youth Club; again, frustrations were expressed that there appear to be continual barriers put in the way of this. The clerk reported that RK had met with providers and that Friday was an issue; the hall is available on Friday or Sunday mornings. Various options were discussed, asking the school if they had any members of staff or football coaches who would be interested in taking the lead. They also wanted to use social media to reach out to the community. Resolved that the clerk would contact the football club and the school, as well as post on social media.

26/05/69 Clerk's report - Barratts are not holding a public meeting because they state public questions have already been answered at the outline stage. Members were disappointed with the lack of engagement. An invitation was extended to parish councillors to visit the CCTV room to see the good work and to consider how the system can be extended to cover Kingsdown. (In line of sight – cameras remove the necessity of hard wiring) The clerk reported that she had visited, and the value that being part of this system could add to the parish was apparent. Members were interested in learning more about this. Further issues at Kingsdown: the fencing near the school is damaged, and ownership of the land adjacent to the pavilion has been requested. Clerk to contact TrustGreen to have the fence mended. Requests made to the Community Payback team are being held up because courts are not processing the backlog of more serious crimes. Resolved that the clerk follow up on the Community Payback. Defib finally in place at Bower Inn resolved to put into the mercury. The clerk suggested that bleed packs be placed next to the defibrillators, and it was resolved to discuss the price at the next meeting. Polden Bower parking – Police will send officers to look and will ask again if there is no improvement. Unity bank account £120,918 NatWest £3970.00



Hall hire £35.00 cheque no 300174 PKF Littlejohn £426.00 cheque no 300167 Somerset KDP council tax £800.00 cheque no 300169 GWB Services £374.40 cheque no 300170 Core (Function 28) £58.80 cheque no 300171 SALC £1233.06 cheque no 300172 K Parsons £570.00 cheque no 300173 Scribe (Starboard) £1254.53 cheque no 300168 Starlink £75.00 cheque no 300175 Quinns Windows £200.00 cheque no 300176

26/05/70 Planning applications - none

26/05/71 Date of next monthly meeting – 25th June 2026, at 7.30pm, public speaking will be held before the meeting opens at 7.15pm.