

North Cadbury & Yarlington Parish Council

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“Draft” Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

held on Wednesday 22nd October 2025 in
Galhampton Village Hall, commencing at 7.00pm

Councillors Present:

Nick Garrett (Chairman)
Chris Jose
Cameron Knee
Nerissa Northover
Maria Viney

Caroline Bowen
Andy Keys-Toyer
Clare Leavold
John Rundle

In Attendance: The Clerk and six members of the public.

- ❖ **Public Question and Comments:** No questions relating to agenda items.
 - ❖ **Report from The Newt and Emily Estate (EE):** Zoe Young, Community Liaison Officer, reported as follows:
 - Work progresses well on the Farm Build and at Yarlington Lodge.
 - We're waiting for the planning approval for the Farmyard Hotel expansion to come through and in the meantime have been doing some low level enabling works at the site in preparation.
 - There was an exceptional turnout for The George consultation in Castle Cary. We are currently collating all of the feedback to inform the next phase of planning. [Consultation plans available on the Parish Website under “News Updates”]
 - ❖ **Wessex Water (WW):**
Matthew Kettle, WW Sewerage Data Technician, presented WW plans for remedial work to the sewerage system in North Cadbury and Galhampton. Councillors and residents outlined the issues in Mitchells Row, Brookhampton, which Matthew agreed to feedback and investigate. No works would be carried out until Spring 2026.
 - ❖ **Reports from Somerset Council:** None present.
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Agenda:

25/124. Apologies for absence:

To receive any apologies for absence.

RESOLVED: Apologies were received and approved from Cllrs Richard Rundle and John Whitehead.

25/125. Declarations of Interests:

Members are reminded of their obligation to declare any Pecuniary or Other interests they may have under the Localism Act 2011 and NALC Model Code of Conduct adopted May 2022. (NB this does not preclude any later declarations).

RESOLVED: None received.

25/126. Minutes:

To approve the minutes of the ordinary PC meeting held on Thursday 25th September 2025.

RESOLVED: The minutes were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

25/127. Parish Council Vacancy:

To consider applications received and conduct vote to fill casual vacancy on the Parish Council by co-option.

RESOLVED: There was one eligible candidate for the vacancy, Mr Cameron Knee. The PC voted unanimously in favour of Cameron Knee who was co-opted onto the PC and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office (DAO).

25/128. Planning:

a. Somerset Council Decisions:

- i. **PA 25/01671/HOU.** Proposed single storey rear extension to dwelling. Demolition of existing uPVC conservatory at Tunstall, Cary Road, North Cadbury, BA22 7DJ – **APPROVED.**

b. Brookhampton Development:

RESOLVED: The Chairman read out an update from David Harragin, Planning Consultant at Origin 3, "No change our end. Still waiting on the council to provide full pre-app feedback. It has been escalated and supposedly we will receive a response shortly, nothing yet. Once we receive it, we can start work on the final planning application and Public Consultation event."

c. Connecting Broadband to St Michaels Church, North Cadbury:

To discuss Wessex Internet's proposal to run their fibre cables along the same route as the public footpath across the small paddock next to the Church and leaving provision Steeple side of the church.

RESOLVED: Councillors agreed that as long as the cables were laid along the line of the definitive footpath there were no objections.

25/129. Finance:

a. Balance of the Council's Bank Account & Bank reconciliation:

To receive the full council accounts and bank reconciliation.

RESOLVED: The Clerk previously circulated the PC's Accounts, which were agreed and Lloyds Bank balances at 22nd October 2025 in the Community Account £17.26 and Business Bank Instant Account of £48,513.89, reconciled, approved and signed.

b. Accounts for payment:

To review and approve a schedule of items of expenditure:

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| i. R Whitehead – North Cadbury Notice Board | £1,050.00 |
| ii. Replacement battery for the North Cadbury Defibrillator | £271.99 |
| iii. Employers' PAYE & NI | £154.98 |
| iv. WesternWeb Ltd Inv 25164 – renewal of NP domain for 2 yrs | £30.00 |
| v. Royal British Legion Wreath – North Cadbury | £219.49 |
| vi. North Cadbury Reading Room hire 25 Sep 25 | £19.00 |

RESOLVED: Items of expenditure approved unanimously.

25/130. The Catash Inn as an Asset of Community Value (ACV):

To consider re-nominating as the five-year listing of The Catash Inn, North Cadbury on the Register of Assets of Community Value expired as of 7 October 2025.

RESOLVED: Councillors agreed unanimously that the PC should apply to re-list the Catash Inn as an ACV. The Clerk agreed to draft the application for comment/approval.

25/131. North Cadbury and Yarlington Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring:

RESOLVED: Nothing to report.

25/132. Highways and Rights of Way (RoW) Report:

PC Representatives to provide progress reports.

RESOLVED:

- a. Highways. Cllr Jose presented his report, which can be found at Attachment 1.
 - b. ROW. The Chairman reported that a resident had raised issues with WN19/104 with EE. The hedge along the lane required cutting back in order that vehicles could safely access the route without hanging to drive partially on the track and partially in the drainage ditch. The EE Farm Team were due to address this.
- There had been no update from Eve Wynn, SC Footpath Warden, with regards to the badger survey from Keir Construction on WN19/105 (Ridgeway Lane).
- The Chairman asked for MOP to continue to report any issues via the Explore Somerset website <https://roam.somerset.gov.uk/roam/map>.

25/133. Local Community Networks LCNs:

Reports.

RESOLVED: Cllr Keys-Toyer was awaiting the date and venue of the next meeting, which would be circulated with the minutes from the last meeting on 15th October, which no councillors were able to attend.

25/134. Remembrance Day:

To finalise arrangements for laying the PC wreaths on Remembrance Day.

RESOLVED: The Chairman agreed to lay the wreath on behalf of the PC at the North Cadbury service and Cllr Leavold would accept delivery of the wreath for Yarlington.

25/135. Items for Report and Future Business:

- a. Light Pollution from North Cadbury Business Park. The Clerk agreed to write to Taylors Coaches to ask if they could re-assess their security lighting, which was left on permanently and not operated by PIR.
- b. Hedges. Cllr Rundle reported that despite the PC writing to the homeowner, the hedge encroaching the public highway on Cutty Lane had not been cut back. He would discuss this issue with Cllr H Hobhouse to ascertain whether this was on SC enforcement list.
- c. Email addresses and Newsletter - format to be considered at November meeting.
- d. Wessex Internet - To discuss design proposals in place to connect North Cadbury to full fibre broadband in autumn 2026 at November meeting.

Next meetings: Ordinary meeting to be held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 26th November 2025 in The Reading Room, North Cadbury.

There being no further matters for discussion, the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed
Chairman

Dated