

MINUTES OF THE BROMPTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT BROMPTON REGIS VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 2nd September 2026

The meeting opened at 735 pm

734. PRESENT: Mr J Andrews, Mr D Cherry, Ms T Davies, Ms L Luxton, Mr M Headley.

Also present: Parish Council Clerk, Ms S Buchanan.

735. APOLOGIES: Mr S Coates (personal) Mr L Ringrose and Mr M Arnold (work), Cllrs Nicholson and Pugsley (other commitments).

736. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS RELEVANT TO THIS MEETING

None.

737. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS AND MEETING MANAGEMENT

None

738. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS BRPC MEETING, HELD ON 3rd JUNE 2026

These having been circulated and amended prior to the meeting, Mr Andrews proposed and Ms Luxton seconded their approval and this was unanimously AGREED.

739. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS BRPC MEETING HELD ON 1st JULY 2026

These having been circulated prior to the meeting, Mr Cherry proposed and Ms Davies seconded their approval and this was unanimously AGREED.

740. PLANNING

740.1 Application No: EXM/26/185/FULL. Proposed installation of three ponds for stocking and rearing of trout, Hartford Trout Farm, TA22 9NS

Mr Headley outlined the proposal and invited comments. The meeting welcomed the expansion of this local business. Ms Luxton proposed and Mr Cherry seconded support for the application and this was unanimously AGREED.

740.2 Land at Gupworthy Farm. Following enquiries and concerns raised by residents the Clerk has asked the ENPA to look at the works which include a tarmac drive, new/enlarged gate and extensive earth works. Information will be brought to a future BRPC meeting.

ACTION: CLERK

741. CORRESPONDENCE/ MEETINGS

741.1 ENPA HER visit: The Clerk had met with the HER officer to review the Lock Up and consider other issues in the village. Small works at the side of the Lock Up were recommended, and these are in hand.

The officer has agreed to write for the Brendon Beacon a short article about the relevance and use of the HER in the parish.

741.2 The George Inn, Asset of Community Value (minute: 717.3) The Clerk advised that clarification of the status and meaning of the registration had been sought in the context of the property now being marketed as a going concern. Information will be brought to a future meeting.

741.3 Sportiva events (minute 715.2): The Clerk reported that Sportiva had not delivered information door to door on the routes of events. Over the weekend the Clerk had received various reports of litter and inappropriate road usage which she reported to Sportiva. It was noted that road signage for events had been quickly removed and this was welcomed.

The meeting agreed that should future events be held a prior meeting with the parish council will be important in ensuring safe events and limited disruption to local businesses and activities.

742. FINANCE

742.1 Grant request, amenity and landscape of St Mary's churchyard. This request having been circulated prior to the meeting was discussed. Mr Andrews proposed and Mr Cherry seconded and it was unanimously **AGREED** that a grant of £475 be made.

742.2 Clerk's quarterly salary: £400. Mr Cherry proposed and Mr Andrews seconded payment and this was unanimously **AGREED**.

742.3 Clerk's sundries: £51.35, including concrete lintel for Lock UP. Ms Luxton proposed and Mr Cherry seconded payment and this was unanimously **AGREED**.

742.4 VAT reclaim: The clerk has reclaimed VAT of £228.21.

743. HIGHWAYS

743.1 Grit bins. Mr Andrews advised that the broken bin at Bessom Bridge has been removed and the solid materials in the bin at the Lock Up will be removed. New or reinstated bins will be put in place. The Clerk advised that two bin lids had been repaired with gaffer tape. A request for supplies has been sent to the Highways Authority.

743.2 Drainage Ridge Cottage areas. Residents' concerns about ongoing issues have been reported to the Highways Authority and further information is awaited and will be reported to a future meeting.

743.3 Drainage at Thimble Cottage. Jetting has been requested and will be chased up.

744. Other matters.

It was noted that low water levels in Wimbleball and a greater presence at Bessom Bridge by SWLT had reduced apparent incidence of anti social behaviour in the area (minute 719.1.)

745. DATE TIME AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 7th October 2026 in Brompton Regis Village Hall, starting at 730pm.

The meeting closed at 810 pm.

Signed as a correct record:

Name: Date: