

# BROADWAY PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Meeting of Broadway Parish Council held in Broadway Village Hall on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025 at 7.00pm

### 1144. Attendance and Apologies

Present: Cllrs Neate, Champion, Toms, Preece, Frayne and Jones; Mrs Larsson (Clerk); Unitary Cllr Osborne

Apologies: None

### 1145. Declarations of Interest / Dispensations: None.

### 1146. Minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025

RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the previous meeting.

### 1147. Planning Applications

#### a. New applications to consider:

- i. 25/02629/HOU: Overstream Paulls Lane Broadway TA19 9QY - Internal alteration works and the erection of a two-storey linked extension to include a new double car port

The council noted that there was not an ecological report included within the application documents and felt this should be required. It also noted that a hedgerow to the northern boundary had been removed and a concrete hard standing installed, yet these had not been included as retrospective items within the application.

#### b. Updates and enforcement

- ii. 24/02475/OUT: Land between Pound Lane and Paulls Lane Broadway TA19 9SA

The council noted that some amendments had been made to the application but did not feel these resulted in any fundamental change to the overall application or the councils position objecting to the application.

The Council's full responses to all planning applications are available to view against the respective applications on the Somerset Council planning portal [Link to Planning Portal](#)

### 1148. Finance & Audit

#### a. Financial statement to 30/11/25: The report with reconciliation to 30/11/25 was circulated in advance of the meeting. No queries were raised, and the reconciliation was verified by Cllr Toms.

#### b. Payments requiring authorisation:

The Council RESOLVED to authorise the following payments:

Clerk salary & PAYE to 30/11/25 (restricted information under GDPR)	
Ilton & Broadway Scouts – Christmas lights refreshments donation	£ 250.00
Christmas tree	£ 130.00

#### c. 2026/27 budget and precept

A draft budget was circulated to councillors in advance of the meeting, taking into consideration routine costs and items raised for discussion at the previous meeting. The draft budget was agreed in principle but will be finalised in January at the same time as setting the precept, once the tax base figures were available.

### 1149. Updates and actions on the following areas:

#### a. Village Maintenance: No items raised.

#### b. Highways:

- Cllr Neate met with Highways and walked round the parish to identify problem areas, such as the fallaway and potholes near the church; blocked gulleys and the issues with drainage at the ford on Paulls Lane.

- Goose Lane gulleys have been cleaned recently, with others due to be completed soon

#### c. Flooding: The new drainage at Suggs Lane is working well. Bridge works are still expected to take place next year.

- d. Rights of Way: The gate to the rear of the play park requires a minor repair to the latch.
- e. Play Park: No items raised.
- f. Speed Indicator Device: Device is being moved regularly with data being continuing to be reviewed.
- g. Volunteering and Community Group Updates: Consideration is being given to ways to communicate among volunteers in the village.
- h. Local Community and Parish Networks: Cllr Neate attended the Blackdown Hills Parish Network meeting where matters including planning, highways, water quality and broadband/phone service were discussed.

**1150. Matters for report only:**

- a. A query was received regarding apples being stacked at Standerwick Orchard. This had been carried out in preparation for the Christmas lights evening to remove the substantial numbers of apples from being underfoot.

**1151. Items for the next meeting:**

- a. 2026/27 budget and precept

Additional motions to be submitted to the Clerk in line with standing orders.

**1152. Date of next meetings:** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026, 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8.07pm.

Signed .....

Date .....