

**ALL SAINTS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting**  
**Held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2025 – 7.15pm**  
**at The Village Hall**

Present: Cllr Steve Holt, Cllr Glenn Fletcher (Vice Chair)  
 Cllr John Adams, Cllr Diana Jenner, Cllr Janet Verplancke

In Attendance: Linda Ledingham (Clerk)  
 5 members of the public were present.

Meeting opened at 7.15pm	<b>Fire Regulations:</b> Chair outlined fire regulations.
	<p><b>Public Forum</b></p> <p>Questions and representations from residents relating to reports or business on this agenda or regarding other matters which they wish to bring to the Council’s attention.</p> <p>A member of the public raised the issue of speeding, specifically in the lane from Catmoor Cross to the A358. Speeding is being discussed later in the agenda.</p>
OM25/063	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) P3 Report – The P3 Warden, Richard Greaves reported on P3 activities from 9<sup>th</sup> September to 4<sup>th</sup> November. A full report for this period is on the org.co.uk website.</li> <li>ii) DCC Report – No report available</li> <li>iii) EDDC Report – Cllr Mackinder reported on the Local Government Re-Organisation Plan. There have been several briefings taking place throughout the county and a questionnaire was sent to Clerks and Chairs, requesting feedback on what EDDC will gain from any changes proposed. The date for the full plan draft submission is 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025. EDDC plans will be submitted on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2025. All plans outline the whole of Devon. Cllr Mackinder also reported that EDDC is supplying a grant of £200,000 for Community Projects and Buildings. Half of this amount will be available this year and the other half next year. Individual grants will</li> </ul>

	be in the region of £5-£10,000. The Parish Council will look into this, to see if All Saints Parish can benefit.
OM25/064	<b>To note members of the Parish Council in attendance:</b> Cllr Steve Holt, Cllr Glenn Fletcher, Cllr John Adams, Cllr Diana Jenner, Cllr Janet Verplancke
OM25/065	<b>To note members not present and to receive any other apologies for absence:</b> Apologies were received from Cllr Paul Hayward, DCC
OM25/066	<b>Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct:</b> There were no Declarations of Interest.
OM25/067	<b>Chairman’s announcements:</b> Cllr Holt announced that the Parish Council has been contacted by parishioners regarding several issues and we do investigate these and try to help. Unfortunately, we are powerless outside of DCC and EDDC and must rely on them in most instances. The message is “don’t stop” contacting us, we will always do what we can regarding anything that is within our remit.
OM25/068	<b>Approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of All Saints Parish Council, held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2025 and circulated to members of the Council:</b> Proposed by Cllr Verplancke, seconded by Cllr Jenner <b>Resolved</b>
OM25/069	<b>Planning Matters to be considered:</b> None
OM25/070	<b>Planning Correspondence to be considered:</b> None
OM25/071	<b>Financial Matters to be considered:</b>  To consider, and if thought fit, approve payments for September and October 2025, as previously circulated. Proposed by Cllr Verplancke, seconded by Cllr Jenner.

	<p><b>Resolved</b></p> <p>Cllr Fletcher thanked Smallridge Party Planners for their donation of £500.00.</p> <p>Cllr Fletcher also gave a report on the Budget Monitor.</p> <p>Clerk gave a report on the Income and Expenses.</p>
OM25/072	<p><b>All Saints Parish Council Business to be considered:</b></p> <p>“Matters of Council consideration may include public participation if so, invited by Chair” (<i>Standing Orders revoked</i>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Website: Cllr Adams reported that there had been several outages, but these generally happened at night. This is down to the website providers. Views are up on previous months. Top hits were the Newsletter and COGS Talk - Helping Vulnerable Adults.</li> <li>b) Highways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Progress with installation of VAS – Clerk reported that a communication had been received from DCC regarding the cost of the poles and the installation. The Parish Council has asked our contractor to quote for installing the poles and DCC were informed. Stipulations around legality and safety were received from DCC which are being addressed with our contractor.</li> <li>(ii) Speeding/Safety – Permission for the operating sites has been received, also forms and check lists. A date for training must now be organised. A request for more volunteers will be made at the Breakfast Club.</li> <li>(iii) Road Marker, Wagg’s Plot – Clerk reported that DCC would not replace this, so no further action required.</li> <li>(iv) Knights Lane, issues following resurfacing: DCC have asked for photos which would be forwarded to their Asset team to assess. The Parish Council will take this forward as they felt the response was inadequate – ongoing.</li> <li>(v) Placement of road signage: DCC reported that the signage contractor details are on the back of signs and they should be contacted direct if it is</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

causing a visibility issue. We always try to address issues for our Parishioners, but we are reliant on a positive response from DCC.

(vi) Possibility of putting passing places on some roads around the Parish: DCC reported that this is not something they would provide and is the responsibility of landowner – ongoing.

c) Pavilion/Salisbury Diocese:

(i) Progress on negotiations with Diocese to extend lease: Cllr Fletcher reported that he had made several attempts to contact the Diocese but had been unsuccessful. However, he had been informed not to expect anything to happen until after Christmas. Cllr Fletcher also commented that they are probably intending to look at their own budgets before making any decisions – ongoing.

(ii) Working Group: Cllr Fletcher reported that a meeting of the Pavilion Working Group was held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025. They ran through the short-term, mid-term and long-term objectives. Work is commencing regarding removing the wall, but there are several tasks to consider first, i.e. insulation, electrics, coving, removal of rubbish in the loft etc. It has been discovered that the wall is made of tremolite, which will be much easier to remove. Plans for improving parking and access to the field were also discussed.

d) Flooding on the Cricket Field: Cllr Adams reported that whilst it was agreed to have a ditch excavated along the full length of the field this has been abandoned for various reasons. In consultation with a resident who was involved with the Cricket Club at the time and had installed the 9” pipe, he was of the opinion that the pipe would not have collapsed. In addition, there are utilities, mains water and the 9” concrete pipe located along the hedgerow. It has therefore been decided to excavate the north end of the field and Pavilion end, remove any additional pipes/debris and see if the water was running freely and clear. The area of willow incursions around the pipe entrance will also be cut right back to allow

	<p>access for future inspections. Ground conditions are already worsening so the work needs to be completed as soon as possible. A standpipe and the septic tank will also need attention. As The Parish Council has a full repairing lease on the Pavilion and Field, therefore we are responsible for all maintenance.</p> <p>e) Community Event: Financially, the event incurred a small loss. This was mainly caused by the costs involved in having to move the venue. All agreed that the event was very successful and the Chair, Cllr Holt thanked all those who had been involved in the organization of the event.</p> <p>f) Coffee Mornings/Pop-up Pup – it was agreed to postpone these until February 2026 due to work being carried out on the Pavilion. Other regular hirers are to be informed by the Clerk.</p> <p><i>(Standing Orders invoked)</i></p>
OM25/073	<p><b>Date and Time of Council’s next Ordinary Meeting:</b> The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 7.15 in the Village Hall.</p>
OM25/074	<p><b>To be proposed that, under the provisions of Public Bodies (Admission to Meeting), Act 1960 as amended by LGA 1972, the public (including press) be excluded from the meeting as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.</b> Proposed Cllr Adams, Seconded Cllr Verplancke</p>
OM25/075	<p><b>Matters to be considered in confidential discussion.</b></p>
	<p>Part B: Response from Devon County Council VAS Installation</p>
Mtg closed 8.55pm	

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Chair