# Cary Moor Parish Council

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"Draft" Minutes of Cary Moor Parish Council (PC) Meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025 in North Barrow Community Hall commencing at 7.15pm

#### Councillors Present:

Martin Roberts (Acting Chairman)

Kevin Horne

Marie-Helene Robinson

Andrew Wake

Terry Bird

Ross Perkins

Martin Trott

In attendance: Somerset Councillor Kevin Messenger and the Clerk.

❖ Public Question and Comments: None present

Reports from Somerset Council:

Cllr Kevin Messenger reported as follows: Awaiting approval.

#### Agenda:

#### 25/51. Apologies for absence:

To receive any apologies for absence.

**RESOLVED**: Apologies for absence were received and approved from the Chairman Mark Main and Cllr Jim Shannon. Somerset Cllr Henry Hobhouse also tendered his apologies.

#### 25/52. 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 declared.

#### 25/53. Minutes:

To approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025 and extraordinary meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

**RESOLVED**: The minutes were approved unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

#### 25/54. Co-Option to Fill Vacancies on Parish Council:

To consider applications received and conduct vote to fill vacancy on the Parish Council by cooption and receive Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**RESOLVED**: No applications received. The Clerk would continue to advertise the remaining vacancy for the parish of North Barrow.

#### 25/55. Planning:

#### a. To consider the following planning applications (PA):

i. **PA 25/01335/COU**. Change of use of a holiday let/annex to a separate dwelling (Use Class C3) at Old Farm, Sparkford Road, South Barrow, BA22 7LN.

#### (Cllr Trott arrived at 7.35pm)

Councillors commented that there were no alterations to the exiting building and there would be no impact on neighbouring properties.

**RESOLVED**: Councillors agreed unanimously to recommend **APPROVAL** as this would provide a small scale dwelling of which there are few in the area.

#### b. Somerset Council (SC) Decisions:

i. **PA 25/01060/HOU**. Removal of existing conservatory and erection of a single storey extension at New Haven, Sparkford Road, South Barrow, BA22 7LL – **APPROVED**.

## 25/56. Consultation on Draft Recommendations for Division Boundaries in Somerset Council:

Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBC) for England now welcoming comments on its draft recommendations for new divisions, division boundaries and division names for Somerset Council – closing date 11 August 2025.

**RESOLVED**: The Clerk agreed to thank LGBC on behalf of the PC for taking on board the PC's comments in its recommendations that the PC's area continue to be in the same division covering Castle Cary.

#### 25/57. Parish Council Accounts:

#### a. Balance of the Council's Bank Account and Bank Reconciliation:

To receive the full council accounts and bank reconciliation.

**RESOLVED**: The Clerk previously circulated the PC's Accounts, which were agreed and bank balance at 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025 of £32,739.73 reconciled, approved and signed.

#### b. Accounts for payment.

To receive and approve a schedule of items of expenditure (incl. VAT):

i. South Barrow PCC churchyard maintenance grant £500.00

ii. Parish Council Websites hosting & support 31/05/25 to 01/06/26 £248.40

iii. SALC Inv 2141 Cllr Essentials Part 2 30/6/25 £25.00

**RESOLVED**: All items of expenditure were approved unanimously.

#### 25/58. Lovington Primary School Signage:

Report from meeting with Andrew Barron, SC Traffic Engineer on 24<sup>th</sup> June to discuss the possible erection of directional signage for Lovington Primary School on the B3153.

**RESOLVED**: Following the on site meeting A Barron circulated the proposed designs for two signs on the B3153, one from each direction, which were approved by Emma Marshall, Headteacher for 'Lovington Primary School'. [Following the meeting, A Barron confirmed that the cost of the signs will be £200 and paid locally; SC agreed to cover the installation costs.]

### 25/59. Report from Emergency Plan WG (EPWG):

Update.

**RESOLVED**: Deferred to next meeting. Cllr Horne agreed to attend the Local Community Network AGM.

#### 25/60. Items for Report and Future Business:

a. To lobby Wessex Internet to complete superfast broadband availability to all properties in Lovington.

Action: The Clerk agreed to ask Wessex Internet when ultrafast full fibre broadband will be available to all properties within the BA7 7PY postcode area and especially when their full fibre

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network has already been installed as far south as the telegraph pole immediately adjoining the church.

b. Cllr Horne asked for Woodland Edge, planning enforcement to be on the agenda for the next meeting. In the meantime, the Clerk reiterated the need for Councillors to advise residents to register any complaints with SC Enforcement Team.

**Next meetings:** Ordinary Parish Council meeting to be held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 7.15pm in North Barrow Community Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Signed:	Dated:	