

Badgeworth Parish Council

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DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on 16th July 2026 at Witcombe & Bentham Village Hall at 7.00pm.

Present:

Cllrs. R Norman (Chair), N Cottell, N Marshall, M Howe.

Clerk: Mrs. H Jones

Borough Councillor Robert Vines

15-minute public comment – no residents present

- 1. Apologies** – received from Cllrs D Cooper, and R. McKay.
In the absence of Cllr McKay, Cllr Norman took the Chair.
- 2. Declaration of Interest & dispensation requests** – Cllr Cottell – Badgeworth Village Hall
- 3. Minutes of meeting 12th May 2026** were agreed and signed.

Matters Arising

- Community Governance Review** – in response to submissions made by Shurdington PC it was agreed that some areas close to Shurdington might more logically be included in that parish area. However, to suggest that the whole of Badgeworth Parish (both wards) merge with Shurdington would not be appropriate without further research and discussions to understand the implications.
 - Hedge opposite Shurdington Primary School** – Cllr Howe contacted the new owners, and the hedge has now been cut.
- 4. To Receive a Report from the County and Borough Councillors.**
 - Borough Councillor Robert Vines spoke about the Local Government Review.** It had been announced today that there would be a single unitary authority for Gloucestershire. Elections May 2027 for shadow authority. May 2028 the new authority takes over.
 - County Councillor Richard Stanley** sent his apologies.
 - 5. Finance & Insurance**
 - a) Balances at the bank**
 - Current: £2803.57, Capital: £38162.80, Allotment: £2405.83, TOTAL: £43372.20 (of which £14521.72 is CIL and ring fenced)
 - Credits – VAT refund 25-26 £1676.20, compensation from bank £100
 - Transfers £5000 (May & July) capital to current.

b) To authorise payments for the following:

Already paid (as expenditure previously authorised) Agreed (proposed NM, seconded NC)

Payee	Details	Date of invoice	Amount (ex VAT) £	VAT £	TOTAL £
Countrywide	Grass cutting May	30/5/26	142.14	28.43	170.57
PATA	Payroll services (Q2)	1/6/26	40.35	0	40.35
Badgeworth VH Hire	Hall hire May	12/5/26	25	0	25

P.40 Limited	Badgeworth bus shelter repair (funds from Community Infrastructure Levy 'CIL' used)	16/6/26	3411	682.20	4093.20
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To be paid. Agreed (proposed NC, seconded NM)

Payee	Details	Date of invoice	Amount (ex VAT) £	VAT £	TOTAL £
Countrywide	Grass cutting June	30/6/26	142.14	28.43	170.57
Expenses (clerk)	July 26	6/7/26	47.88	3.50	51.38
Expenses (clerk)	August 26	6/7/26	26	0	26

- c) **Clerk's salary** – authorised payments & BACS (including any HMRC payment) for July & August 2026.
(proposed NM, seconded NC)

6. Planning

- a) **Enforcement Issues & other planning queries– response and update regarding lack of response from TBC Planning Officers.**

The Clerk has continued to try and get answers to enforcement issues, and about the 'strategic planning' for developments around Shurdington & Badgeworth. An assurance was given that Enforcement was looking at the cases, but no response has been received about the site in Badgeworth Lane (Barn).

Regarding the 'planning' and numerous development sites around Badgeworth and Shurdington there has been silence, despite an assurance in April that a response would be forthcoming. The Clerk and one Councillor are hopeful of an informal meeting shortly to discuss the issues and lack of response.

- b) **Delegated Comments to note: Clerk to report.**

26/00462/APP Approval of reserved matters including appearance, layout, landscaping and scale for a residential development comprising 50 dwelling pursuant to 22/01137/OUT. **Parcel 5911, Badgeworth Lane, Badgeworth.** Concerns that 100% social housing does not reflect the current mix of housing in surrounding area. Also request that a broader range of finishes be used in the building.

- c) **Planning Decisions, (Tewkesbury Borough Council)**

- **26/00213/FUL** Erection of a single storey rear extension. **The Cottage, Dark Lane, Bentham. PERMIT**
- **25/00965/FUL** Full planning application for the erection of 126 dwellings (not less than 50% affordable housing) and new associated vehicular access off Badgeworth Lane, public open space, landscaping and all associated infrastructure including the demolition of the existing property known as Shimba with associated outbuilding. **Longlands Farm, Shurdington Road, Badgeworth. DELEGATED PERMIT**

- d) **To agree Parish Council response to planning applications received**

- **26/00407/OUT** Residential development of up to 39 dwellings (50% affordable) including works to widen existing highway access and associated works including demolition of existing buildings (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale reserved). **Land Adjacent Longlands, Shurdington Road, Badgeworth.**

The application should be REFUSED for the following reasons:

Conflicts with the NPPF as it undermines the principal purpose of the remaining Green Belt across the area of the plan (paras. 8 & 9)

The proposed development is not Sustainable

The proposed modified access point to and from the development is unacceptable

- **26/00541/FUL** Demolition of existing conservatory and removal of the existing pitched roof structure to the existing rear addition. Erection of a single storey rear infill extension with flat roof and parapet wall across the rear addition. **Parkfields, Badgeworth Lane, Badgeworth. SUPPORT**

- **26/00555/FUL** First floor extension and single storey rear extension to replace utility lean to. Berwyn, Badgeworth Lane, Badgeworth. OBJECT to details of proposal and impact on neighbouring property. (detailed comments)
 - e) **S106 obligations in respect of community infrastructure re. 26/00407/OUT** - Land Adjacent to Longlands, Shurdington Road, Badgeworth (without prejudice to planning consultation)
Agreed that most of the funds should go to the immediate local area i.e. Shurdington/Badgeworth. TBC should look at the S106 obligations on other local recent permissions. Monies should be set aside to improve links with the village of Badgeworth to provide safer links for all road users.
- 7. Community & Environment** – nothing to report.
- 8. Parish Council Administration & Assets**
- a) **Badgeworth Village Hall** –
- **Update on future management of the Village Hall** – Cllr Cottell to report. The Management Committee are meeting next week to seek an agreement in principle to move forward and reconfigure into a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
 - **Assets within VH that are contents** – deferred until next meeting.
- b) **Allotments** – nothing to report.
- c) **Badgeworth bus shelter repair** – has been completed using Community Infrastructure Levy funds (£3411+VAT). An excellent job has been done.
- d) **Regulations & Policies**
- **Financial Regulations** – to update to latest recommended version (2025). Agreed. (5.9 agreed £500 to £4000). (proposed NC seconded MH)
 - **Data Protection Policy** – agreed and adopted (proposed NC, seconded NM)
 - **Co-option policy** – revised (proposed NC, seconded NM)
- e) **Pension Regulator compliance** – The necessary confirmations have been made by the Clerk. Agreed to refer to payroll company for compliance (up to £50, proposed NM, seconded MH)
- 9. Highways**
- a) **Bentham Lane & signage** – potential for better signage around climbing centre. Clerk to arrange a meeting.
- b) **Missing Link Scheme** – work continues at a great pace. A new section is now open, with many diversions and closures.
- 10. Ward Reports.**
Badgeworth Green – clerk to liaise with grass cutters about 3 orchids. Contract for 2027 to be discussed in autumn.
- 11. Next meeting:** TUESDAY 15th September 2026 at Badgeworth Village Hall at 7.00pm