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Minutes of the Full Council held at the Village Hall, Milborne St Andrew on Wednesday 01st July 2026 commencing at 1900 hours.

Present:

Cllr's Richard Macnair, Amy Stephens, and Conor Claxton

12 members of the public

Cllr Emma Parker (Dorset Council)

Full Council

1. Appointment of Chair

Cllr Stephens was appointment Chair for this meeting.

2. Apologies for absence

Cllr Badger sent apologies.

3. Declarations of pecuniary or other interest

Cllr Macnair (retrospectively) declared an interest in item 9b and was given dispensation to speak and vote.

4. Minutes of the previous Full Council meeting held on 06th May 2026

These were signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

5. Chair's matters

There were points from the Chair.

6. Clerk's update

The Clerk confirmed that the suggestion box had been purchased and installed in the Village Hall. It was noted that HMRC had increased Motor Mileage Allowance from 0.45 per mile to 0.55. It was acknowledged that Cllr Greening had resigned from the Parish Council.

7. Public participation (items on the agenda)

It was asked why the Parish Council had gone to meeting every two months.

This would be addressed under item 14.

It was asked why a member had resigned.

It was confirmed this was a matter for the individual.

It was mentioned about the excessive noise from the motorbike rally.

It was stated that the Parish Council had not been informed of the event.

It was asked why the Parish Council were buying additional signage for road closures on Milton Road, when the Parish Council had no power in this matter.

This would be addressed under item 13.

8. Parish Councillor and Dorset Councillors reports

Cllr Macnair confirmed he attended the meeting of the flood action group, merely as an observer.

Cllr Parker (DC) spoke on the following matters

Dewlish Road planning was now likely to be decided in late July
Blandford Hill planning, no reply had been received.

The Clerk confirmed that Camelco applicants were still awaiting a new s106 agreement from Dorset Council.

Cllr Parker (DC) continued with that the traffic calming project could start early 2027.
There was nothing in the consultation that was not expected.

From the flood meeting, DC Highways acknowledged that due to the geography of the village, gully clearing would happen more often and a job had been raised to do this.

The Member of Parliament had confirmed that progress had been made since the meeting of the 30th of April but did not specify what this was.

9. Planning

a. P/LBC/2026/02766

Staddlestones Milton Road Milborne St Andrew DT11 0JZ

Retain works carried for the installation of 2 wood burning stoves, brickwork within the living room inglenook, the replacement of 3 windows and the removal of a C20 lean-to, timber framed, glazed conservatory/greenhouse

The Parish Council had no comments on this application and so deferred to the Listed Buildings Officer.

b. P/LBC/2026/03371

Milborne Farmhouse The Square Milborne St Andrew DT11 0JF

Carry out internal and external alterations including repair and replacement (where necessary) of external doors, installation of flood resilience measures, and internal works comprising lime plastering, installation of flood-resilient floor systems, and structural repairs to the staircase

The Parish Council supported this application subject to comments from the Listed Buildings Officer.

10. Financial matters

a. Payments for authorisation

There were **16** payments (PV's 10-25), totalling **£ 3510.19** , that were approved and authorised for payment

b. Budget Q1

The Precept budget spend was **27.77%**

c. Bank Reconciliation Q1

The Bank Balance sat at **£ 12481.43**

11. Internal audit report

There were no observations, so therefore it was agreed that the financials for 2025/26 were closed subject to any questions during the exclusive rights of the public period (01 July – 11 August).

12. To review progress against the Flood Response Paper that was approved at the March meeting

The Clerk confirmed that NO direct correspondence had been received from the MP, Dorset Council, The Environment Agency or Wessex Water.

Cllr Claxton would take on the project of the sandbag store for Milton Road.

Enquires were being made on the choke point under the A354, noting the complexities of 4 different owners of the culverts.

Road closure signs would be covered in item 13.

Cllr Macnair wished to thank the presenter from Wessex Water for an excellent presentation at the meeting on the 30th of April.

It was agreed to place all contact details for all agencies on the Parish Council website.

13. To purchase additional yellow signage for deployment on road closures due to flooding

The aim was to provide additional information by way of where the diversion route is – thus to Lessen the relentless bow waves on the properties at the south end of Milton Road.

To that end, DC Highways had no objections and were looking at ways of procuring these.

14. Community discussion (not for resolution)

In response to the question at item 7, it was agreed at the Annual General Meeting to move to every two months, predominantly because the majority of the projects were now complete, thus easing the time pressures on the volunteer Councillors.

There was a small financial gain on Hall Hire.

It was confirmed that the Parish Council still have the right to call an extraordinary meeting at any time, ensuring the statutory notice period is given.

It was mentioned from a member of the public that he perceived the speed of traffic has INCREASED since the 20 mph had been introduced. The question, thus, was who and how it was being monitored.

The Clerk would contact the Senior Highways Officer for Safety and ask the question, with a view to the speed wires being put down for a comparison to be made.

Cllr Macnair would also speak to the Speed Watch coordinator, with a view to speaking to the police to establish if a new spot on the Causeway could be established.

Cllr Stephens would continue to pursue a date for defibrillator training.

15. Items and date for next meeting	Full Council	02 nd September 2026
	Milborne St Andrew Village Hall at 7pm	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2002 hours.

Chair to the Milborne St Andrew Parish Council

02nd September 2026