

LEIGH ON MENDIP PARISH COUNCIL

To all Members of Leigh on Mendip Parish Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Leigh on Mendip Parish Council for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Joe McGhee, Clerk to the Council

Agenda for the Meeting of LEIGH ON MENDIP PARISH COUNCIL

to be held on Monday, 20th July, 2026, in the Memorial Hall

1. Welcome by the Chair
2. Apologies for absence
3. Absent
4. (a) To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda
(b) To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests

Cllr Vicki Taylor has an approved request for dispensation in relation to Leigh On Mendip Memorial Hall until June 2027.

Cllr Vicki Trundle has an approved request for dispensation in relation to Leigh On Mendip Recreation Field Committee until March 2029.

(c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.

5. Public Session
6. County Councillor Reports
7. Monthly update from Tom Kemp – Parish Tree Officer
8. To confirm the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 15th June, 2026, previously circulated (Attachment 1).
9. Matters arising from the minutes but not on the agenda.
10. Planning Applications – if other planning applications are received between the date of this notice and the date of the meeting they may be considered.

(a) 2026/1195/FUL

Erection of a dwelling on land previously permitted for stables.

Land at 368037 146941 Towns End Lane, Leigh On Mendip, Shepton Mallet, Somerset.

11. Planning Applications – Decisions to be noted from Somerset Council

(a) 2026/0581/CLE

Application for an existing lawful development certificate for use of extension of garden.

Acorn House, Stocks Lane, Leigh On Mendip, Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA3 5QF

Decision. Development is not lawful

(b) 2026/0588/FUL

Conversion of existing garage to bungalow.

Land at 368906 147131 Park Hayes, Leigh On Mendip, Radstock, Somerset.

Decision. Approval.

(c) 2026/0829/REM

Application for approval of reserved matters following outline approval 2022/0053/OTS for the erection of a 3 dwellings and associated access. Matters of access/appearance/landscaping/layout/scale to be determined.

Corner Cottage, Quarry Lane, Leigh On Mendip, Radstock, Somerset BA3 5QG

Decision. Approval.

(d) 2025/2072/FUL

Erection of a detached bungalow & attached garage.

Land at 369293 147420 Quarry Lane, Leigh On Mendip, Shepton Mallet, Somerset.

Decision. Approval.

12. Finance and Annual Reporting

(a) To approve (or not) bank reconciliation at 15 Jul 2026 (Attachment 2)

(b) To approve (or not) receipts and payments as identified in the Cashflow 10 Jun 2026 to 15 Jul 2026 (Attachment 3)

(c) To approve (or not) budget review at 30 Jun 2026 (Attachment 4)

13. Clerk's / Councillors' Report

(a) Discussions were held to garner the experiences of other clerks in replacing fingerposts and a quote has been received from their recommended contractor. See item 14(a) below.

(b) There is a new contact at Somerset Council for the devolution of land at Park Hayes to the Parish Council. She has confirmed she is awaiting final internal approval to sign off the title of register and send a copy to the Parish Council. No timescales were available. Once that is done, equitable interest and responsibility pass to the Parish Council. Legal interest passes when the title is registered with the Land Registry.

(c) Cllr Trundle now has access to the Unity Trust account as a signatory but is not visible to the Clerk as Admin. Discussions are being pursued with Unity Trust to resolve this and to reinstate Cllr Kirby's access.

(d) Constructive discussions were held by Martin Carter and the Clerk with Sara Davis of Somerset Council and Vickie Watts, Administrator of the Halecombe Quarry Community Fund. Agreement has been reached on locations to site Speed Indicator Devices and funds should be released to help progress this soon.

(e) Somerset Council have requested an update on the locations and status of grit bins in the parish. The Clerk and Cllr Kirby are producing a report to go to the council.

(f) A message has been posted on the Parish Council Facebook page indicating it will shortly be deleted and directing people to the Leigh On Mendip group.

(g) A follow-up email was sent to those who had indicated an interest in the councillor vacancies.

14. Be Discussed / Resolved

(a) Replacement of fingerpost at Soho junction

(b) Responsibilities for 2026-27

- Community Plan
- Allotments
- School liaison

(c) SIDs – Costs and Funding

(d) Grassland management – Park Hayes (Attachment 5)

(e) New cemetery

- Chrysalis Landscaping proposal
- Signage

- (f) Repair of Drang wall
 - (g) Repair shop
 - (h) Confirm internal auditor for 2026-27
 - (i) Publication of councillors' home addresses – Register of Members Interests forms
- 15. Matters to report / items for next agenda.**
Cemetery rules and charges.
- 16. Date and time of next meeting: Monday 21st September, 2026, at 7:00pm in the Memorial Hall.**

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions; Equal opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, and any disability), Crime and Disorder, Health and Safety and Human Rights.