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, 16th November, 2026, in the Memorial Hall, starting at 7:00pm

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.
   Cllr Sue Dunford has an approved request for dispensation in relation to Leigh On Mendip Allotments until October 2030.
   (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 19th October, 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.**
    None.
11. **Planning Applications – Decisions to be noted from Somerset Council**
    (a) 2026/1706/CLE
    Use of land as part of the domestic garden of Acorn House for purposes incidental to the residential enjoyment of the dwellinghouse.
    Acorn House, Stocks Lane, Leigh On Mendip, Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA3 5QF
    Decision. Development is not lawful.
    (b) 2026/1195/FUL
    Erection of a dwelling on land previously permitted for stables.
    1 Grove Shute Farm, Towns End Lane, Leigh On Mendip, Shepton Mallet, Somerset
    Decision. Appeal allowed.

12. **Finance and Annual Reporting**
    - **(a)** To approve (or not) the bank reconciliation at 14 Oct 2026 (Attachment 2)
    - **(b)** To approve (or not) receipts and payments as identified in the Cashflow 16 Sep 2026 to 14 Oct 2026 (Attachment 3)
13. **Clerk's / Councillors' Report**
    - **(a)** Register of Members Interests forms for all councillors were updated to reflect changes to the Localism Act 2011 around the publishing of councillors' home addresses. Home addresses were redacted and replaced with an explanatory reference to the act. Copies of the updated forms were sent to Democratic Services at Somerset Council.
    - **(b)** A meeting has been organised with a solicitor to progress the registration of the recent transfer of land at the south of Park Hayes (from Somerset Council to the Parish Council) with the Land Registry.
    - **(c)** A poster for the latest round of applications to the Halecombe Quarry Community Fund (deadline 31st January 2027) was published. The fund arrangements document was made available along with the application form in Word and PDF formats.
    - **(d)** The annual easement letter for neighbours of the Recreation Field car park was produced and delivered.
    - **(e)** The Parish Council information for Village Connection was updated and will appear from the November edition.
    - **(f)** The Police Community Support officer was put in touch with residents concerned about speeding and accidents involving horses and riders between Soho and Coleford.
    - **(g)** A number of notices were published on the website and the village Facebook page including:
      - several road closure notices from Somerset Council
      - summary notes of the last council meeting
      - a notice of blasting at Halecombe Quarry
14. **To Be Discussed / Resolved**
    - **(a)** Ground maintenance – burial ground and Park Hayes
    - **(b)** New cemetery.
    - **(c)** Repair of Drang wall.
    - **(d)** Budget and precept for 2027-28.
15. **Matters to report / items for next agenda.**
16. **Date and time of next meeting: Monday 21st December, 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.