

STOGURSEY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES of the meeting held on Tuesday 9th December 2025
at 19:00 pm in the Lord St Audries Room, Victory Hall, Stogursey.

Minutes

Present:

Cllr Sue Goss (Chair), Cllr Chris Morgan (Vice Chair), Cllr Allan Searle,
Cllr Chris Ford, Cllr Richard Ayres, Cllr Susan Jones.

In attendance: Ann Corrigan (Parish Clerk), and three members of the public.

7.00 pm Public Forum (15mins)

Presentation: The Bristol Port Company outlined plans to create a new intertidal habitat and improve flood defences on the Steart Peninsula. For further information, contact: steartconsultation@bristolport.co.uk.

A parishioner asked why the footpath behind Castle Court is blocked by vegetation and who is responsible for clearing it?

Cllr S G explained that it is a permissive footpath, not a designated public footpath. The sign was likely erected by developers without planning permission.

1. **To Receive Apologies** for absence
Councillor Jen Ody and Councillor Hugh Davies
2. **To Approve and sign minutes** of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11.11.25.
The draft minutes of the last Parish Council meeting, proposed by Cllr C M and seconded by Cllr S J, were unanimously agreed for signature by the Chair, Cllr Goss, as a true and correct record of the earlier meeting.
3. **To Receive any Declarations** of Interest and Dispensations
No further declarations of interest were made.
4. **To Receive the County Councillor Report**
Councillor Hughes had circulated his report prior to the meeting.
5. **Long-Term Action List**
Paddons Farm: Despite repeated requests that has been no response from Strongvox concerning the removal of rubble left behind by its contractors.
Action: Stogursey Parish Council to send a formal complaint to Somerset Council.
- 6 **Hinkley Point Power Stations (General) – Cllr S G**
HPB is now fully defueled within their project timelines.
The Civil Nuclear Constabulary is to be redeployed and will no longer patrol our Parish.
7. **Finance** – Clerk/RFO Bank balances as of 30 November 2025 noted.
 1. Invoices for payment and receipts (Appendices 1 & 2) were circulated prior to the meeting.
Proposed: Cllr A S Seconded: Cllr C M Vote: Unanimous
Payments to be made online, by cheque, or debit card. Action: Clerk
 2. Agreement to add new signatories to SPC accounts approved.
 3. Recruitment of new councillors agreed; Clerk to advertise.
 4. Grant application for Christmas Tree Festival approved: £80 granted.
Proposed: Cllr C F Seconded: Cllr R A Vote: Majority (two against).

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8 To receive meeting reports: Cllr C M

LCN report: None given.

9 Notification of forthcoming Meetings: None

10 Administration

Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs):

Discussion concerning the re-siting of two recently delivered SIDs. It was noted that speeding incidents are increasing despite no reported accidents.

Proposal: Site three devices permanently at Priory Hill, Stogursey Village Hall, and Shurton.

It was considered that the benefit should be within the Parish

Proposed Cllr SG seconded by Cllr A S. All in favour.

11 Village Maintenance

1. **Allotments:** All plots allocated except one.

2. **The Gravel:** Third choice for safe electricity supply sourced. A working group of four to be formed, in the New Year, to carry the project forward.

Proposed: Cllr Chris Ford, Seconded: Cllr Sue Goss

3. **Lengthsman Contract:**

SPC Agreed for contractors to make gravel safe due to slipperiness in December.

Proposed: Cllr A S Seconded: Cllr C M: All in favour.

12 Parish Enhancements

1 Village Bollards:

Somerset Council is currently reviewing its responsibilities for the installation of bollards across the County. At present, all towns and parishes, Somerset Highways and its contractors are awaiting confirmation on who will oversee the provision and erection of these safety measures. Stogursey Parish Council can only go ahead once Somerset Council has clarified this.

Action; Cllr S G

2 Christmas Tree:

The Parish Council agreed for a 12–14 ft tree to be ordered for delivery first week of December; erection by 12 December.

Action: Cllr A S Cllr C F

13 To receive reports and discuss Highways issues- Cllr S G

Cllr S G reported that Somerset Highways team has now completed all white line and signage as per their detail

Several deep potholes have been reported around the Parish, Highways to be notified.

14 To discuss Public Rights of Way – Cllr S J, Cllr R A

Vegetation on lane to Paddons Farm to be trimmed after Christmas.

Rainwater from the farm roof flooding onto the lane; electricity pole overgrown responsibility lies with Western Power to trim vegetation.

Action Cllr Richard Ayres to consult farmer and Wessex Water.

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15 Planning Applications

New

3/32/22/001 Pixies Field, Wick Moor Drive, Stogursey, TA5 1UF

to allow for the continuation of the permission, until 31 Dec 2030, to support continued construction of the HPC project

Update

3/32/25/001 - Idson Farm, Idson Lane, Stogursey, TA51TR

Refused

3/32/24/004 - Farrington Hill Farm Caravan Park, Farrington Hill Lane, Stogursey

Granted

3/32/25/017 - Land at The Bungalow, Wick House, Wick, Stogursey

Refused

There was no further business to transact, and the meeting closed at 9.05pm

Next Meeting

Date: Tuesday 13th January 2026



Time: 7pm

Venue: St Audries Room, Stogursey Victory Hall

N.B. Meetings are open to members of the public and press. Members of the public are welcome to attend the whole meeting but may only speak and ask questions during the Public Forum on matters listed on the agenda. For further information about meeting arrangements please contact the Clerk.

Signed:
Cllr S Goss
Chair

Date 9th December 2025

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