

## **BURFORD ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on Thursday, 14 May 2026 at 7 pm  
at Burford Village Hall, Burford, WR15 8LA

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. B, Thomas, C. Roberts, J. Yardley, L. Hickling, E. Allen  
and C. Griffiths

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Gaynor Long – Clerk

### **MINUTES**

**1. APOLOGIES**

No apologies.

**2. WELCOME**

The Chair welcomed attendees to the Annual Parish meeting.

**3. MINUTES**

To approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday, 15 May 2025. It was proposed by Cllr. Yardley, seconded by Cllr. Roberts and unanimously.

**RESOLVED:**

**The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 May 2025 were confirmed and signed by the Chair as a true and correct record of proceedings.**

**4. CHAIR'S REPORT**

Cllr. Thomas presented the Parish Council's Annual report, attached (Appendix A).

**5. SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL WARD COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

No report received.

**6. VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL REPORT**

The village hall's annual report was written by A. Morris and presented by Cllr. Thomas, attached (Appendix B).

**7. POLICE ANNUAL REPORT**

No report received.

**8. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM**

No members of the public attended.

**9. CLOSING COMMENT**

The Chair, Cllr. Thomas, thanked everyone for attending the Annual Parish Meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.20 pm

Signed .....

Date: .....

## **Appendix A**

### **CHAIR'S REPORT 2025/2026**

I would like to thank my fellow Councillors for their support over the last year and I would like to extend my thanks to our Parish Clerk, who works tirelessly to ensure the smooth running of the Council.

Over the last year we have achieved funding for the long fence by the Village Hall and the Council has funded the rest of the fence next to the Hall. We also funded the installation of a tractor and accessories for toddlers in the play ground. The annual maintenance and weekly inspections of the playground continue, the repair of part of the fencing around the playground will be completed by the maintenance company and reinstalled.

Recently, a street light was damaged by workmen, this has now been repaired with no charge to the Council.

All the street lights have been checked and are working well.

The idea of Swift boxes has been put to the Council and we are awaiting confirmation of cost etc.

No mow May is continuing, with two designated areas.

A meeting with MP Stuart Anderson was a success with the Parish Clerk, the Vice Chair and Chair attending, also 2 members of the public were present. This was to discuss the proposed development of 100 houses to be built on the old show ground. Photographs etc of the actual flooding in the field were presented to the MP, who confirmed he would do as much as possible to mitigate the proposal.

We went on to discuss the flooding of the Teme and the MP was already in conversation with Severn Trent and the Rivers Trust regarding attenuation pools to alleviate the fast flowing of the 4 Shropshire tributaries into the Teme.

A site meeting with the MP has been arranged, to show him the field and to discuss any progress he has made with regard to the planning etc.

There was a site meeting with 2 Severn Trent Community Flooding Officers at the old show ground to discuss their involvement with Shropshire Council regarding the proposed development. They were only able to submit comments, with no real weight to place on Shropshire Council.

The Primary School was able to participate in designing the centre of the wreath for Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church

We continue to work well together as a Council in maintaining a high standard of commitment in Burford.

I would be delighted to continue to be Chair of the Parish Council if the Councillors would like to me to.

Thank you.

Bridget Thomas

## **Appendix B**

### **VILLAGE HALL REPORT 2025/26**

The Village Hall has remained open and available for public bookings and is in daily use with various clubs and groups.

Last year we made a small profit after running costs and small investments back in the hall.

Ashley Morris