

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRINDLEY AND FADDILEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD
AT THE GOODWILL HALL, FADDILEY ON 1st SEPTEMBER 2025**

PRESENT:	Cllr S Scott	Chair (in the chair)
	Cllr P Robinson	Vice-Chair
	Cllr G Barlow	Cllr R Johnson
	Cllr M Shore	Cllr N Hilton
	Cllr B Latham	Cllr P Cuerden

APOLOGIES: None

ALSO PRESENT Dr. M Bailey (Clerk/RFO) Cllr J Pearson (CEC)
Members of the public

PART A

560 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received.

561 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary/non-pecuniary interest in any item of business on the agenda, nature of that interest, and in respect of disclosable interests, to leave the meeting prior to discussion of that item. There were no declarations made by the Members present at the meeting.

562 MINUTES – 7TH JULY 2025 (PARISH COUNCIL MEETING)

Members considered the minutes of the meeting held on 7th July 2025.

RESOLVED: -

Members resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th July 2025 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

563 MATTERS ARISING

The following matters were raised from the above minutes.

- Kidderton Lane – this matter was raised with Cllr Pearson – reported that work had not been carried out in the area
- A534 – updates were provided by Cllr Pearson – see later in the minutes
- Speed Camera – this has been proposed by Cllr Pearson
- Bluestone Traffic Lights – raised the issue of flooding with Cllr Pearson

564 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Several members of the public attended the meeting – no matters were raised.

565 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Members considered the following items.

565.1 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1.4.25-30.6.25)

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1st April 2025-30th June 2025 was noted by Members.

565.2 Budget Monitoring Report/Receipts and Payments Summary (Quarter One – 2025/26 – April-June 2025)

The budget monitoring/receipts and payments summary for the first quarter of the 2025/26 financial were noted by Members.

565.3 Internal Audit Report 2024-25

This will be presented to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

565.4 Authorisation of Payments

£326.74	Dr MJ Bailey – salary payment for Clerk (August/Sept 2025)
£76.64	Dr MJ Bailey – salary payment (Back Pay – April-July 2025)
£81.68	HMRC – months 5 and 6 (tax on Clerk's salary)
£19.14	HMRC – back tax (April-July 2025)

Members **RESOLVED** to approve these payments.

566 CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair of the Parish Council reported on the following items: -

- MacMillan Coffee Morning – the Hall booked for 26th September 2025.
- Grit Bins – the bins on Hearn's Lane have had an assessment but this was not communicated to the Parish Council. A request has been made to assess the whole parish and some located elsewhere in the parish (Brindley Lea Lane/Brindley Hall Lane), with other areas added to gritting routes. It was reported that to purchase a bin from CEC would cost around £616.54.
- Newsletter – it was reported that Cllr Shore had drafted a copy – it was agreed to put out a call for players for the football team. Will be distributed asap.

567 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr James Pearson attended the meeting and made the following comments.

- Council Meeting – meeting of CEC to take place on 17th September 2025 to consider governance of the council and to examine the devolution issue. It is likely to move to an executive model of decision making.
- Highways – reported that the speed limit issue on the A534 is being pursued and the MP has visited the area to examine the issue – the issue of the bends has been requested to be part of the capital programme for CEC.
- Police Cluster – reported that several issues were raised and next one will take place on 3rd December 2025. It was **AGREED** that Cllr Johnson would be supported by Cllr Robinson in terms of attendance.

568 HIGHWAY MATTERS

Members considered highways issues affecting the parish.

- A534 – work had been done on drainage – drains have been jetted.
- Highways – potential resurfacing the lanes to lessen the chance of potholes, together with scheduling drainage work to avoid issues – route review for A534 and other issues such as speed restrictions are progress slowly

569 PLANNING MATTERS

Members considered planning matters affecting the parish.

- Planning Applications – the issue of the time taken to process planning applications was considered, together with decisions taken on applications, as well as enforcement action. Cllr Pearson asked for any examples of issues to be communicated. Members mentioned the Botterley Hill issue and asked that this is followed up. It was **AGREED** to forward details of this to Cllr Pearson.

570 COMMUNICATION/SHARED INFORMATION

Members raised the following issues under this agenda item.

- The Thatch – no updates reported – it was advised that any action on tidying up the area could be made under s215 powers
- Social – it was **AGREED** to hold a further social in mid-November 2025 (15/16 November suggested as the date)

571 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 3rd November 2025 – 7.30pm – Goodwill Hall

.....Chairman

The meeting commenced at 8pm and concluded at 9.17pm