BROAD CHALKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the 1093rd Meeting of the Broad Chalke Parish Council

held at the Village Hall, Broad Chalke on Wednesday 8th July 2026 at 7.00pm

ATTENDANCE

Mr T Hitchings (Chair)
Mr T Kimber (Clerk)
Mr S Carter
Mr M Altham
Ashley Truluck – Neighbourhood Plan author*
Rob & Carolyn Sheppard – Cleeve House*
Edward Esdon – Cherry Bank*

Attendees from the public noted by * were present for the discussion on item 6.1.3 Planning Application PL/2026/01222, which the Chairman agreed to take as the first item for discussion. These attendees left the meeting before the vote on the Planning Application was taken.

A G E N D A

1 **To receive apologies for absence.** Mrs E Richter, Mr J Fry, Mr M Pickford

2 **To record declarations of interest from Members regarding items on the agenda.** *None*

3 **Chairman's Announcements and any updates from Wiltshire Council and Wiltshire Police.** Including any petitions and or representations from members of the Public which the Chairman agrees to hear. *Tom Hitchings has been advised that we have been successful in obtaining a Ramblers Association grant towards the new gates to replace the stiles on BROA28 (formal letter of offer not yet received).*

4 **Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th June 2026 as a true and accurate record.** *Approved*

5 **Matters Arising from the Minutes**. The SID (speed indicator device) will be re-positioned on the west end of South St in the near future. Pricing for the replacement fingerpost by pub is finalised at £950, which will now proceed. A grant of £500 was agreed for the CVSC shower replacement project.

6 **To consider Planning Applications**:

6.1.1 PL/2026/03470 Grey Shades, The Causeway SP5 5DW - Timber frame car port over the existing driveway. *No objection*

6.1.2 PL/2026/03885 Knapp Farmhouse, 1 High Lane SP5 5HH – Increase height to two chimney stacks to be 1.8m higher than the thatched roof ridge. *No objection*

6.1.3 PL/2026/01222 Cherry Bank, South Street SP5 5DN – Revised replacement dwelling. *No change in opinion, although the Parish council does recognise the subsequent concerns raised by residents regarding the scale of the building.*

7 **To receive an update on the Playground.** The 'Little Broad Chalke' sail is ripped and will be replaced by Friends of BC Playground. A member of the public has highlighted some flexing of the zipwire wooden frame, which is being investigated. No other maintenance issues.

8 **To discuss the Council's grounds maintenance.** The war memorial grounds have got a bit overgrown; Justin Allison is due to attend to this on Thursday 9th July, although the heatwave is hampering progress. Idverde has finally sent invoices for CVSC grounds maintenance, which will be paid by the sports centre, with the VAT reclaimed via the Parish Council.

9 **To discuss Councillor vacancies and co-option.** No update

10 **To discuss Sustainable and Resilient Broad Chalke.** Still awaiting feedback from SSEN regarding the solar/battery grant.

11 **To receive update on the Affordable Housing planning application.** No update

12 **To receive update on the Neighbourhood Plan and Wiltshire Council's Local Plan.** Ashley Truluck gave a short update on the most recent WCC planning meeting, encouraging Parish Councillors to attend wherever possible. Steve Carter stated that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group is now complete and will start meetings shortly.

13 **To receive Clerk's update and Finance report.**

13.1.1 Parish Council funds and reserves remain in good health, earning competitive interest,

13.1.2 **To review and approve the Parish Council Asset Register.** *Approved*

13.1.3 **To review and approve the Parish Council's application for a debit card.** *Approved*

14 **Standing item: Highways and related matters to refer to Wiltshire Council:**

- **Potholes and deep roadside ruts in Broad Chalke and the Chalke Valley.** No update
- **Causeway bridge railings.** No update.

Any other business. None

Date of Next Meeting. 12 August 2026

Clerk to the Council: Mr T Kimber Dated 13 July 2026 Meeting closed at 8:40pm