MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BLEADON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE CORONATION HALL AT 7.00pm ON MONDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2026.

PRESENT:	Councillors Andy Scarisbrick (Chairman), ID Clarke, Andy Reay and Steve Sugg (Vice-chairman).
IN ATTENDANCE:	Craig Bolt (Parish Clerk)
WARD COUNCILLORS:	Councillors Jones and Solomon
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:	One

Before the meeting was convened, members of the public were invited to speak.

i) **Members of the public**
None.

ii) **Beat Manager's Report**
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iii) **Ward Councillors' report**
Councillor Solomon reported upon concerns which had been raised relating to the walking route connecting the new quarry development to the village centre and beyond. Councillor Solomon further advised that, following the further fatal incident on the Bleadon stretch of the A370 and questions which had been raised relating to the accident data used by NSC in relation to prioritising highways improvement schemes, he had taken the decision – as Chair of the relevant scrutiny committee – to call in the issue for further scrutiny.

The meeting was convened.

404.1 To receive apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s85 (1))
Apologies were received from Councillor Gower-Crane.

404.2 Declarations of Interest
None.

404.3 To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Monday 14th September 2026.

Resolved: To approve the Parish Council minutes of 14th September 2026.
The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

The minutes of the meeting were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

404.4 Reports from Working Parties/Committees
None.

404.5 Reports from Outside Bodies/Conferences/Training

- Councillor Clarke provided feedback in relation to the recent Halls Management Committee including an update in relation to recent works to the Coronation Hall floor

and further planned maintenance works. It was also noted that the HMC had confirmed that further investigations in relation to extending CCTV coverage could be progressed by the Parish Council.

- Councillor Scarisbrick provided feedback at a recent North Somerset Council Better Health event, where the Parish Council had been asked to speak about the outdoor exercise classes project.

404.6 Training and Events

The availability of Scribe, ALCA and NALC training events was noted.

404.7 Financial/Staffing Matters

i) To authorise bills for payment for October.

Resolved: To authorise the payments for October in the amount of £9,748.28.
The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

(Councillors Clarke and Scarisbrick were duly authorised to action the online payments)

ii) To note the Parish Council's end of September budget position, bank balances and bank reconciliations.

The Parish Council's end of September position, bank balances and bank reconciliations were noted.

iii) Conclusion of 2025/26 AGAR.

Councillors noted that the AGAR had been concluded, with no recommendations arising.

Resolved: That the conclusion of the 2025/26 AGAR be noted.
The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

iv) Quarter 2 Monitoring Report.

Resolved: That the second quarter outturn be noted.
The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

404.8 Report of the Parish Clerk

1. Quarterly Play Area Inspection

The Clerk advised that the recent inspection had identified an issue with the quad rocker (including the need for a replacement part) and made some further recommendations in relation to safety surfaces. Works in respect of the quad rocker had been progressed by the Clerk under delegated authority and the associated costs reflected in the October Bills for Payment schedule.

Resolved:

i) That the actions of the Clerk in respect of works to the quad rocker be endorsed.
ii) That the Clerk be authorised to purchase and instal further quantities of play area bark, provided that the total costs do not exceed £500.
iii) That the Clerk be requested to undertake further investigations in relation to remedying soil erosion around the newly installed items of outdoor exercise equipment.

The resolutions were correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

2. **North Somerset Council Local Plan - Inquiry Sessions**
The Council had received notification of dates for inquiry sessions in respect of the Local Plan. The precise arrangements were the subject of discussion with inspectors but it was considered likely that the Council would be permitted to speak to and submit further evidence in respect of four aspects:

Strategic Gaps
Leighton Crescent proposed development site
Green Open Space (in the former quarry site)
DP53 – Best and Most Versatile Land

It was noted that any evidence packs would need to be submitted by 5.00pm on 27th October 2026.

Resolved:
i) That Councillor Gower-Crane and the Clerk be appointed to attend the inquiry sessions on behalf of the Council and to represent the Council's position during the inquiry period.
ii) That the Clerk be instructed to prepare written submissions and supporting information, subject to the following:
- That any material submitted relates to the policy objections previously approved by the Council.
- That the Clerk use his best endeavours to seek the input of Councillors prior to any submissions being made.

The resolutions were correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

3. **Church Reorganization Proposals**

Resolved: That proposals to restructure current Benefices and Parishes be noted.
The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

4. **Action Taken Under Delegated Powers**
Councillors noted the following actions taken under delegated powers:
- Works to Beech trees at the top of Celtic Way – the Clerk had instructed tree surgeons to start the process of applying for consent to reduce the canopies of the trees in this location (which were the subject of TPOs), following a limb fall. The estimated cost of the works (which would not take place until later in the year) was £1,600 (Exc VAT).
- Re-setting of part of the trim trail within the play area at a cost of £60.

Resolved: That the actions of the Clerk be endorsed.
The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

The Council resolved to exclude the press and public in respect of agenda item 404.8.5 due to the commercially sensitive information contained within reports.
Chronologically, the report was considered at the end of the meeting after agenda item 404.10

5. **Allotment Site**
Councillors considered proposals relating to the long term future of the allotment site.

Resolved: That the Clerk be authorised to submit an offer based upon agricultural land values, subject to the terms contained within the confidential report.

The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (unanimous)

404.9 Update report in respect of previous planning applications.

Councillor Clarke provided an update report in respect of planning applications determined and awaiting determination by North Somerset Council.

404.10 Planning Applications

Description: Hybrid planning application (full and outline elements) with Environmental Statement for the expansion of Bristol Airport to enable a throughput of 15 million passengers per annum, operating within a rolling 12 month cap of 99,931 air transport movements and 4,974 night flights between the hours of 23:30 and 06:00.
Full application elements comprising: extension of western apron for additional aircraft stands; reconfiguration of central and eastern aprons; construction of a passenger surface level car park for approximately 2,000 vehicles; eastern extension of existing runway by approximately 170m, with repositioned and additional aircraft approach lighting within Felton Common; taxiway and fillet widening to Taxiway GOLF with a realignment at the western runway end; construction of two new taxiways; extension of surface level car rental parking area; expansion of existing Silver Zone car park to provide an additional circa 1,960 block parked vehicle spaces; construction of new surface level staff car park for approximately 1,720 vehicles; highway improvements to the A38, including upgrades to northern access roundabout, construction of a new southern roundabout and widening of the road to accommodate an additional bus lane with dedicated access onto the A38.
Outline application elements comprising of 3no. extensions to terminal building on west, north and east sides; construction of new piers to the west and east of the terminal including an underground walkway; construction of ancillary support buildings; relocated and expanded aviation fuel farm; a pedestrian bridge link; erection of a new baggage building; erection of a maintenance repair and overhaul hangar and ground run up pen; construction of parking decks within Silver Zone car park and car rental facility; minor works within Silver Zone car park; construction of a bus maintenance and washing facility; site wide landscaping, drainage, lighting and other associated infrastructure.
Reference: 26/P/0686/OU2
Location: Bristol Airport, Northside Road, Felton, Wrington
Applicant: Bristol Airport Limited
Deadline for comments – 1st November 2026

Resolved: That the application be supported.
The resolution was correctly proposed and seconded (majority)

404.11 Date of the next meeting

Parish Council Meeting **Monday 9th November 2026, 7:00pm** (Coronation Hall, Bleadon)

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm

……...Chairman

……Date