BONINGALE PARISH COUNCIL

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FULL COUNCIL MEETING – 17th June 2026

Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held at The Old School Room, Boningale commencing at 7:00PM

Present: Councillors: S. Burgess, V. Haines, C. Keeton and D. Slatcher (Chairman)

Also Present: Mrs K. Eshelby (Clerk/RFO)

26/06.92 **Apologies**
Councillors: A. Gilson – The apologies were noted.

26/06.93 **Declaration of Interest**
As per the register of interests.

26/06.94 **Public Session**
There were no members of the public present.

26/06.95 **Clerks Report**
The Clerk informed Members that the instant access accounts were nearing completion, and that once the relevant forms had been signed, the process would be finalised and funds transferred as soon as possible.

Members were advised that the External Audit had not yet been completed; however, confirmation had been received that the documentation had been submitted and received by the auditors. Members will be informed once the report has been returned.

The Clerk also advised that the NJC pay scales had not yet been agreed nationally. It was noted that these are expected shortly and will be taken into account at the September meeting, when the first draft budget will be presented to Members for consideration.

26/06.96 **Reports from Shropshire Council**
There were no representatives of Shropshire Council present.
Councillors expressed concern regarding the lack of recent communication and updates from the County Councillor Representative, noting that no reports from Shropshire Council had been received for several meetings. Following discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk would contact the County Councillor to convey the Council's concerns and request more regular updates on matters affecting the parish.

26/06.97 **Reports from Shifnal & Albrighton Safer Neighbourhood Team**
No members of the were present from Shifnal & Albrighton Safer Neighbourhood Team.

26/06.98 **Minutes**
To confirm the following minutes of the Council:

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i. Full Council Meeting held on 13th May 2026
It was Resolved that the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

26/06.99 **Matters Arising from Minutes**
There were no matters arising.

26/06.100 **Confirmation of Policies and Procedures**
Each councillor received a copy of the below polices for this council to review.

a. Reserves Policy
It was Resolved to adopt the Reserves Policy
b. Investment strategy
It was Resolved to accept the Investment Strategy

26/07.101 **Risk Assessment and Management Policy**
Councillors received and reviewed the Risk Assessment and Management Policy. No amendments were considered necessary. The Clerk advised that the completed Risk Register would be prepared and presented alongside the policy at the September meeting for Members' consideration and approval.

26/06.102 **Financial Report**

i. Schedule of Payments - Each Councillor received the schedule of payments to review.
It was Resolved that the schedule of payments be approved

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION	COST CODE	STATUTE POWER
£150.00	LSJ consulting	Audit Fees	LGA 1972 s111
£240.25	Annual Affiliation Fee	SALC	LGA s143 (1) (b)

ii. Bank Reconciliation - Each Councillor received the Bank Reconciliation as of 29th May 2026 to review.
It was Resolved that the Bank Reconciliation as of 29th May 2026 be accepted as a true and accurate record. – **Appendix**

26/06.103 **Insurance 2026/27**
Councillors considered three quotations for the Parish Council's insurance renewal.
It was Resolved to appoint Zurich Insurance as the Council's insurer and enter into a three-year Long Term Agreement at a fixed cost of £335.47 per year.

26/06.104 **Parish Council Website**
The Clerk requested access to the Parish Council's website to enable the effective administration and maintenance of Council information.
It was Resolved that the Clerk contact Parish Online to arrange the appropriate administrative access rights for the Clerk and Councillors.

26/06.105 **Parish Matters**

i. Highways - Councillors discuss developments of local road traffic issues:

Councillor Slatcher reported that he had not yet received a response from David Gradwell regarding funding for the safety assessment of speed signs, despite further road traffic collisions having occurred on Rushey Lane in recent weeks. Members noted that any works relating to the maintenance and future layout of the road remain dependent upon decisions

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associated with the Boningale Homes development, as these may require alterations to the road structure.

Councillor Haines reported that she had again contacted Shropshire Highways regarding the condition of Woodhouse Lane. A response had been received; however, it did not address the concerns raised in the original complaint, particularly regarding the lack of action and communication. Councillor Haines subsequently requested a further response addressing the specific issues outlined in the initial complaint.
The Council is currently awaiting a response from Shropshire Highways under the Stage 2 complaints process. Members noted that no improvement works have yet been undertaken on Woodhouse Lane and that the condition of the road continues to deteriorate.

Pathways – Members noted concerns raised by residents regarding the resurfacing of the pathway, specifically that works have not extended from the brook up to the top of Woodhouse Lane. It was reported that there are currently no plans to complete this section, as the gravel had been reallocated elsewhere due to delays in the works.
Members also noted that the footbridge across the brook has been replaced, with positive results.

26/06.106 **Planning Applications**
There were no planning applications to note

26/06.107 **Agenda Items for the next Council Meeting**
Consideration of the allocation of the Community Fund.

26/06.108 **Date of Next Meeting**
Councillors were informed that the date of the next meeting is Wednesday 30th September 2026, 7:00pm, to be held at The Old School Room, Boningale.

The meeting closed at **20:30pm**

Signed: Date:

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Appendix A

Boningale Parish Council

Bank Reconcilliation

	Balances at 1st April 2026		
	Cash in Hand at 01/04/2026		£60,543.38
	ADD		
	Receipts 01/04/2026 - 29/05/2026		£3,630.35
			£64,173.73
	SUBTRACT		
	Payments 01/04/2026 - 29/05/2026		£390.25
A	**Cash in Hand at 29/05/2026** (as per books)		**£63,783.48**
	Cash in Hand per Bank Statements at 29/05/2026		
	Cash	£0.00	
	Co-op Charity & Community Account	£63,783.48	
			£63,783.48
	Less unpresented payments		
			£63,783.48
	Plus unpresented receipts		£0.00
B	**Adjusted Bank Balance**		**£63,783.48**
	Difference is:	**£0.00**	
	A = B Checks out OK		

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