

## **Clerk report – May 2026**

### **Updates from previous matters**

1. **Fingerposts** - PC to pursue quotes. CPRE do offer grants but this years quota has already been allocated. Majority of repairs carried out by Somerset Forge.

### **Casual Vacancy**

To date no applications have been received

### **Unitary reports**

Report for Hayward circulated, no report from Nicola currently available

### **Planning**

Sutton Montis Village Hall, floor repair application received and supported.

PC to discuss delegation of powers re minor applications IR to circulate template document for next meeting.

No new planning applications received.

### **Highways and Rights of Way**

#### **Training**

Reminder for Councillors who have not yet responded to advise the Clerk of their preferred date for refresher Code of Conduct training to be booked

Peter has requested to attend NALC Beyond the Precept training - £35

IR to look into training.

#### **Standing Order amendments**

NALC and SALC advice is that emboldened sections of Standing Orders should not be amended as they contain legal and statutory information. Clerk advice is that Standing Order 15 b 1 should therefore not be amended. This needs to be actioned

#### **Budget and Precept 2026/2027**

Payment from Somerset council has been received £5,700

#### **Banking**

Balance as at 30/04/2026 £24,837

#### **Payments to approve**

- Clerk salary March and April tbc
- Home Office Allowance invoices for April £26.00
- Insurance due for renewal 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026 – quote £304.00
- Invoices overdue for payment:
  - o Western Web - £54.00
  - o SALC affiliation fees - £152.06
  - o SALC training £50 & £25

#### **Correspondence**

Resident of Sutton Montis has emailed to request village name signage. The village has supported this in the past.

Survey re polling station suitability requires completion by 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026

**Future Meeting dates to be approved**

16<sup>th</sup> July 2026

17<sup>th</sup> September 2026

19<sup>th</sup> November 2026

21<sup>st</sup> January 2027

18<sup>th</sup> March 2027

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20/04/2026