



Minutes of the Extraordinary Town Council meeting held on Tuesday 2nd September 2025 in the Cowie Room at the Public Hall, Beaminster commencing at 7.25pm

3187 PRESENT – Cllr Gunning (Chairman), Cllr Corbett, Cllr Gillings, Cllr Turner and Cllr Woods; also Mrs C Bright (Town Clerk).

3188 APOLOGIES – Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Anderton, Cllr Biggs and Cllr Dawkins.

3189 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
No declarations of interest were received.

3190 INSURANCE RENEWAL 2025/2026

Members had previously been circulated with the relevant documents in connection with the renewal invitation received from Aviva. Renewal had been invited under the existing long term agreement with a 5% increase as per the escalator at a premium of £10,289.17 + IPT.

Included in the renewal had been the option to renew the three year agreement a year early which would result in a financial saving of £548.76 on the renewal premium quoted.

Members **RESOLVED** to renew the three year agreement early to achieve the saving.

During the renewal process in addition to the standard renewal a number of suggestions had been put forward to further protect the Council:

- 1) To increase legal expenses cover to £250,000 at an additional cost of £13.52 + IPT
- 2) To increase management liability cover to £500,000 at an additional cost of £287.68 + IPT
- 3) Cyber insurance cover at a premium of £427.84 + IPT with an aggregated policy limit of liability at £750,000

Following due consideration members **RESOLVED** to **ACCEPT** the increase in cover as outlined at an additional cost of £729.04 + IPT.

3191 PUBLIC BODIES (Admission to meeting) Act 1960

Members **RESOLVED** to exclude public and press from the meeting whilst discussion took place on the following item on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of business to be transacted in respect of consideration of terms of a legal agreement.

(a) Future management of Pavilion, Memorial Playing Field.

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of the legal document provided by solicitors with regard to future management of the Pavilion pending the formal agreement on dissolution of the BCCP.

Members **RESOLVED** to **ACCEPT** the terms within the document and delegated the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Town Council.

3192 MEETING

The meeting which started at 7.25pm ended at 8.00pm.

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Chairman
23rd September 2025