

# **Minutes June 2025 (approved)**

## **Babcary Parish Council**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025 8pm at The Hut**

Present: Mr Simon Hoar, Mr Phil Sketchley, Mrs Glynis Kingston, Mr Steve Street, Mr Kevin Messenger (County Councillor), Mrs Jasmine Tucker (Parish Clerk) & 3 Members of the public.

Apologies: Mr Damien Pick, Mrs Vee Vyner & Mr Henry Hobhouse (County Councillor).

### **1) Matters Arising**

- i) Pothole Repairs updates, lots of the pot holes have been marked with white outline due for repairing.
- ii) Flooding issues, updates, Flood Warden Lunch & Learn, Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> on line <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood> (flood warnings), currently no flood warden in Babcary.
- iii) The Hut's revamp, renovations pending.
- iv) Parish Council vacancy; no request for a by election has been received, PC co-opting new councillor, Jane Diamond has been co-opted for the position of Parish Councillor & will join the council July 2025 meeting.
- v) The publication of Draft Minutes, to continue in the Parish news, "It should be noted that these minutes are subject to the approval of Babcary Parish Council".
- vi) The Dog Poop Box now has a padlock on it to deter theft.
- vii) Repair of footpath alongside Old School on Church Street, current condition deemed satisfactory, to be reviewed later in year one weather changes.

### **2) Finance**

- i. Capital Reserve Account stands at £17,993.38 Current Account balance £50.

### **3) Planning Consultation**

- i. Ref: 25/01305/HOU  
Address: Badgers Burrow 7A Baker Street, Babcary, Somerton Somerset TA11 7DU  
Proposal: Erection of garage  
Respond by: 18<sup>th</sup> June  
Applicant: Mark Billige  
No Objections

### **4) Correspondence**

- i) Flood Wessex, learn more about your flood warden, face to face drop ins 5<sup>th</sup> June, posted on FB.
- ii) Local Government Boundary Commission  
If you represent a local organisation or community group in Somerset please pass this message on to your members or anyone you think who might be interested in the

review. You can share the message by email, [reviews@lgbce.org.uk](mailto:reviews@lgbce.org.uk) or through social media FB Local Government Boundary Commission for England.

Move for Babcary from current alignment to Ilchester area.

SH to appeal against movement of boundary.

iii) Creating opportunities for Affordable Rural Housing

We're offering a limited number of FREE housing needs surveys this year, thanks to Government funding. If your parish has fewer than 3,000 residents, fill out this quick form by 11 July Affordable Rural Housing form to express your interest. There's no obligation – just a chance to explore how we can help.

If you have any questions, please ask us or visit our website

<https://ccslovesomerset.org/rural-housing/>.

5) AOB

i) Request for owners of properties in corners of the village to trim back hedges.

ii) Stones on verges many now hidden by over growing vegetation causing damage to cars, request Highways put in plastic bendable signs in place of stones, KM to relay with Tracy Harris, Highways, SH to email Tracy Harris too.

iii) The Parish Council confirmed renewal of Asset of Community Value (ACV) registration on The Red Lion.

**iv) Date and Time of Next Meeting: 8pm Monday 14th of July 2025 in the Hut.**