

BROMPTON TOWN COUNCIL

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MINUTES of the meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday 30th June 2026, 7pm, Weavers Pavilion.

Present: Cllr Langthorne (Vice Chair), Cllr Robinson, Cllr Kelly, Cllr Carter,
Cllr Hird, Cllr Potter (acting Chair) and L. Bleach (Clerk)

267-016 Cllrs Carter & Robinson declared an interest in two of the payments to be made under item 21.5.

267-017 Apologies and reasons for absence

17.1 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Shiel-Dods and Cllr Hazelwood

17.2 Reasons for absence were approved in both cases.

267-018 The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 14th May 2026 were confirmed as a true and correct record.

267-019 Public session.

At the Chairman's discretion, it was agreed that as a one-off, this public session would be extended to 40 minutes to enable a full discussion on village issues, specifically the situation at Water End. Heather Lagan (Senior Flood Risk Engineer, NYC) was in attendance to assist the discussion and provided an overview of roles and responsibilities. BTC agreed that they were the owners of the Village Green/Common Land but reiterated that some questions marks remained over exact status, although it was unlikely this would have any material impact on the planning for management of the area at this time. It was noted that the Beck was a main river and there was a statutory duty to oversee it and enforce legal protections. Concerns were noted that it was important to maintain grazing rights for those people who held them and regarding the issue of children playing near the Beck, together with any possible safety measures that could be put in place.

267-020 **Village Maintenance**

20.1 St Thomas' Churchyard: The efforts made by D Langthorne in assisting with Churchyard maintenance in May were noted and BTC would like to thank him for his work, especially given the short notice.

20.2 The various issues raised by residents with regard to grass cutting were noted and the Clerk agreed to talk to the contractors to see if the situation could be improved.

20.3 Village Green & Common Land

An update from the Clerk regarding the status and maintenance of village green and common land was covered in the public session (refer 267-019).

267-021 Financial matters

- 21.1 It was resolved to approve and sign Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2025/26 for Brompton Town Council on page 5 of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return 2025/26.
- 21.2 It was resolved to approve and sign Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2025/26 for Brompton Town Council on page 6 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26.
- 21.3 The Statement of Accounts to 31 March 2026 was noted and it was noted that the council will undergo an external audit for the fiscal year 2025/26; it was resolved to sign Section 3 of the AGAR.
- 21.4 It was resolved to approve the “period for the exercise of public rights” (e.g. 1 July – 11 August 2026) during which the accounting records are available for inspection by any interested members of the public. The period must be exactly 30 working days and must include the first 10 working days of July 2026.
- 21.5 The advice of the Finance Working Group was noted and it was resolved to make the payments (as previously circulated).
- 21.6 The advice of the Finance Working Group was noted and the payments already made were noted (as previously circulated).
- 21.7 The advice of the Finance Working Group was noted and receipts were noted.
- 21.8 it was noted that the Clerk's salary and associated costs will be paid in accordance with the contract of employment.
- 21.9 It was resolve to treat as reserved business, HR matters pertaining to the Clerk and to discuss this at the end of the meeting.

All finance items were proposed by Cllr Potter and seconded by Cllr Carter; they were approved by all Councillors present.

267-022 Highways & Transport

- 22.1 Cllrs Carter & Potter attended a site meeting with Contractors and NYC. The intention is to undertake work at Fullicar Lane from 10–26 Aug, which will extend from the 30 mph signs at the Eastern end to the bridge over the Beck. The road will be closed but with special arrangements for access for some members of the public. Contractors will work on half of the road at a time so residents have somewhere to park their cars and access their properties either from the Bridge end

or the Splash end.

22.2 The upcoming road closure at Crowfoot Lane, 9th July was noted.

267-023 Planning

23.1 It was noted that application ZB26/00809/CAT (felling of 8 Conifer trees) was granted.

23.2 It was noted that from 19th June 2026, all planning applications processed as valid after this date will only be advertised by site notice. There will no longer be posted notifications sent to neighbours, other than for applications that require it by legislation such as prior notifications for larger home extensions. The Clerk will confirm if notifications for parish and town councils will be changing.

267-024 Matters raised by the Clerk

The Clerk noted that it was important for residents to also report issues in the parish to NYC, since this raised the profile of problems that residents were experiencing. The Clerk is happy to assist anyone with reporting should they need it.

267-025 Housekeeping (items for future meetings; items for discussion, not resolution)

The Clerk agreed to follow up with NYC regarding Walkers Field footbridge and also to confirm whether there was any further news regarding double yellow lines near the school. Other issues were raised pertaining to the Queen's Canopy Tree and a memorial plaque that has disappeared. The Clerk will include these issues in the plan for the area.

267-026 It was noted that the Town Council would then sit as Brompton Burial Board (reserved business).

The meeting was closed at 20:15.