

WILLITON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND & WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Charity No: 211212

Minutes of the Events sub-committee held on Wednesday 11th June 2025 at 7.00pm in The Quantock Room, Williton Pavilion

Attendees:

Councillors: Aldridge (arrived at 7.07pm during 25/21C), Payne and Schmieder

Clerk: Mrs M Francis

Other: Mr R McDonald (Chairman) Ms L Barlow, Mr G Morgan, Ms L Parker and Mrs L Payne,

Apologies:

Councillors: None

Public: Mrs L Greenway, Mr Rob Hay and Mr D Shattock

25/18C Appointment of Chairman

Mr McDonald volunteered to become the Chairman

25/19C Apologies - As noted above

25/20C Appointment of Vice Chairman

Ms Barlow volunteered to become the Vice Chairman

25/21C Approval of minutes of the last meeting held on 7th May 2025

It was noted the crafty stash had made of profit of £74.37, including refreshments
Proposed L Payne, seconded L Parker, unanimously approved

25/22C Correspondence

25/22.1C An email had been received from Cllr Peeks advising she was unable to help at the Wimbledon event, due to a clash of dates - noted

25/23C Film Club (WWMRG) –

Bob Dylan – A Complete Unknown – had been shown on 17th May 2025 made a very slight profit, it was noted it clashed with football, Eurovision and was a very warm evening, so it was thought this may have been the reason for lower numbers
Problems had occurred with the projector, randomly blanking out and picture not as sharp – WWMRG Charity would be asked to investigate this problem
It was noted the Hearing Loop had been tested and confirmed it was working; this could be used on its own system or plugged into the sound system

Next film – Saturday 20th September – Salt Path
Dates for films going forward required setting

25/24C *VE Day - 8th May 2025 (WPC)*

*The morning service was well attended
Thanks were noted for the Fire Service, for helping to prepare the beacon and extinguishing at the end, and all that had assisted
Doniford Cadets would be thanked for attending and reading the poem so eloquently
Sampford Brett Singers went very well and would be keen to attend again.
Very positive feedback had been received and everyone appreciated the evening and the low key approach taken*

25/25C Fete 2025 – Saturday 5th July 2025 (WWMRG)

Michelle gave an update on the organisation to date, all was in hand, however, volunteers were desperately needed, also donations for the tombola / raffle

Guy M advised the cost of the sound equipment had risen sharply, but he has been loaned equipment from elsewhere. It was noted this may be the last time Guy can help with the PA – the Charity would be asked to investigate purchasing equipment for future Donkey rides would be used to draw people to the event, and would be charged at £3.00 per ride – proposed Robert McDonald, seconded Peter Payne, all agreed

25/26C Wimbledon Finals – 12th and 13th July 2025

It was confirmed the TV could be linked to the main hall screen. Ian Aldridge would be able to assist in setting up, but unable to help on the days. Liz Parker and Lyn Barlow could help both days, Peter Payne on Saturday and Liz Payne on Sunday – if anyone else is able to help, it would be appreciated

Tickets set at £6, to include Prosecco, cream tea, tea / coffee.

Posters and tickets would be produced.

Extra glasses of prosecco would be sold at £2 per glass

25/27C V J Day – 17th August 2025 and Armed Forces Day 23rd June 2025

Armed Forces Day – permission had been received to hold a service and raise the flag outside West Somerset House. 10.45am for an 11am start. The RBL would supply refreshments

V J Day – a service would be held, following the same format as VE Day, but with the service at 3pm, so as not to clash with the Minehead morning service

There will be a display in the Parish Office window

RBL will produce a poster

Cadets and Youth Organisations will be invited to attend

It was hoped the High Sheriff would be able to attend and unveil the plaque

25/28C Quiz & Ploughman's Supper (WWMRG) 18th October 2025

The date had been confirmed with the Quiz Master

- Tickets £10 each to include with a Ploughman's supper – platters on the table – vegetarian and allergies would be considered.
- Teams of up to 6
- A raffle and bar would be held. Only drink purchased on site to be consumed at event

25/29C Christmas Events (WPC) – Saturday 13th December 4pm – 6pm

Possible film to show – Polar Express

Father Christmas would be asked to attend

25/30C Other Ideas for Events

- Race Night – February 2026 potentially; date would be confirmed
- Antiques Fair – Deborah Schmieder was gathering information and would consider a date in 2026
- Not for profit Craft Celebration – Lyn Barlow would organise in 2026
- Yard Sale / Jumble Trail – agreed to hold summer 2026
- Open Gardens – date would be set for 2026

25/31C Date of Next Meeting –

Wednesday 2nd July 2025, at the Pavilion, with single agenda item of the Fete (a week earlier due to the Fete), then Wednesday 13th August 2025

Meeting closed at 8.14 pm

SignedMr M McDonald

Dated2nd July 2025.....