

WILLITON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND & WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Charity No: 211212

Minutes of the Events sub-committee held on Thursday 11th June 2026 at 7.00pm in The Quantock Room, Williton Pavilion

Attendees:

Councillors: Mr Ian Aldridge, Mr Dave Shattock, Mr Tony Prince, Mr Peter Payne (arrived at 7.30pm)

Clerk: Mrs M Francis

Other: Mrs L Payne (Chairman), Mr R Hay, Mrs H Sully, Ms A Mathias, Mr T Wilson, Ms L Barlow, Mrs G Maule

Apologies:

Councillors: Peter Payne (who would be late)

Public: Ms Dawn-Lesley Howe, Mrs A Welford, Mrs J Scott, Ms L Parker and Mr Ian Taylor

26/18C Health & Safety and Housekeeping – It was noted this was the opportunity to raise any concerns or issues – It was reported there was a hole in the river fence, by the rollers – the office would action its repair

26/19C Apologies - As noted above

26/20C Approval of minutes of the last meeting held on 14th May 2026
It was **resolved** to approve the minutes. Proposed I Aldridge, seconded D Shattock

26/21C Correspondence
Mr R McDonald and Mr G Morgan had both temporarily stepped down from the committee

26/22C Village Gardens – 14th June 2026, 1pm – 5pm (WWMRG)
13 gardens were taking part. Advertising boards had been displayed around the village. No refreshments would be sold from the Pavilion, but tickets would be sold on the day from the Parish Office, from 12 noon. A discussion took place about whether tickets could be sold at the gardens, it was agreed to have printed compliment slips, which Ian would collect from the office and distribute around all before the event

26/23C Fete – 4th July 2026 (WWMRG)

- Set Up/Breakdown – Friday afternoon from 4pm, Saturday morning from 8.30am and breakdown at 5.15pm, after show closes at 5pm. Ian A would collect the gazebos from Watchet
- Flower, Produce & Craft Show – Liz reported all was under control
- Dog Show – Due to cost of rosettes, the entry fee would be increased to £2, per dog, per class. The rosettes would be 2-tier (£1.30 each), with the best in show 3-tier (£1.65 each) and required collecting. Entries would commence at 1.30pm
The Pet Centre in Alcombe had kindly agreed to sponsor the Dog Show
- Bar and refreshments – the bar would be run by volunteers for the charity, Glenmore Bakery were bringing 2 vans (offering hot and cold food), Styles Ice cream van would be in attendance. Unfortunately, the donuts had cancelled due to personal circumstances.
- Children's Races – Dave had in hand; Nigel had offered to help
- Stalls – currently 24
- Brochure – the cost for printing would be £300 – it had been suggested to print in house, this was agreed. 500 copies would be produced
- PA – Tug had all in hand
- WWMRG Charity stalls – tombola (prizes needed), raffle, hook-a-duck, hoopla, pick a lolly. Hayley had visited businesses for raffle prizes. Tug and Dave would organise the Boozy Wheelbarrow – a barrow could be purchased online for £30.
- Entry Gates – Doniford Army Cadets had kindly agreed to help again and would be available from 1.30pm
- First Aid – St Johns were covering

Posters would be displayed on the Coronation gates

- 26/24C Celebrating Craft Exhibition (WWMRG) – 18th July 2026**
- Currently 20 tables had been booked. Liz Payne offered to help with refreshments, proceeds would go to the WWMRG charity
- 26/25C Jumble Trail – Sunday 19th July 2026 (WWMRG)**
17 properties had signed up for the trail so far - The event would run from 10am – 4pm, with refreshments (venue to be confirmed) from 10am – 3pm
- 26/26C Preserving Heritage (WWMRG) – 17th October 2026 – 10.30am – 2.30pm**
Liz advised the event would be advertised, after the above events had passed
- 26/27C Remembrance Day – 11th November 2026**
Robert has asked the Vicar for a service on the Memorial Ground on the 11th November
- 26/28C Christmas (WPC) Wednesday 16th December**
*No further update, From previous meeting:
Agreed to keep to same principle and age range as last year, on Wednesday 16th December 2026, from 5pm - 7pm
It had been suggested to contact Watchet Rotary to ask if they would arrange Father Christmas to go around the village - Peter would delegate this idea and update at the next meeting*
- 26/29C 80's Disco Night – 30th January 2027**
Tug will investigate extra lighting, for a proposal to be put to the Trustee
Suggested to sell tickets before Christmas, as may be given as presents
Might not be limited to just 80's – may be prizes for best dressed era
- 26/30C Pantomime / Play**
No update
- 26/31C Interactive Quiz**
Tug has a demo which will be shown at the next meeting.
- 26/32C Sensory Dome / Light Drone Show**
Tony would obtain further information
- 26/33C Any other ideas for events**
- Fun run – including relay/fancy dress

Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 9th July 2026

Meeting closed at 8 pm

Signed Mrs E Payne

Dated 13th August 2026