

WILLITON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND & WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Charity No: 211212

Minutes of the Events sub-committee held on Thursday 8th January 2026 at 7.00pm in The Quantock Room, Williton Pavilion

Attendees:

Councillors: Ian Aldridge, Peter Payne and Tony Prince

Clerk: Mrs M Francis

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

Apologies:

Councillors: Dave Shattock

Public: Ms L Barlow, Mr R Hay

25/85C **Apologies** - As noted above

25/86C **Approval of minutes of the last meeting held on 13th November 2025**

It was **resolved** to approve the minutes. Proposed L Payne, Seconded G Morgan

25/87C **Correspondence**

Details had been received regarding Lamp of Peace for Remembrance Day – this was forwarded to committee members and would be discussed at the February meeting

*25/88C **Report from Christmas Events (WPC)***

25/88.1C Grotto, Presents and Refreshments - this had been successful and well received, noting it worked well in the Parish Office. Everyone involved was thanked

25/88.2C Colouring competition - well supported, agreed to build on for next year

25/89C **Report from Christmas Trees and Business Window Competition (WPC)**

Thanks were given to the Fire Service and all that volunteered to help put lights on the trees and Peter and Ali for removing them afterwards. The battery lights lasted well. Unfortunately, the lights on the Bellamys Corner tree were vandalised. A thank you would be sent to the donor of the tree for the corner and the pavilion St Margarets were voted the winner of the Business Window Competition, with Hayleys in 2nd place, Everest in 3rd place. The cup would be presented.

25/90C **Antiques Fair**

- A date was reserved for Saturday 28th March 2026
- Debbie would be contacted to request an update for the next meeting

25/91C **Jams and Preserves festival autumn 2026 (WWMRG) – 17th October 2026**

Ian, Liz Payne and Lyn had met, on Tuesday 6th January 2026 to discuss how the event would run and a report had been forwarded to committee members. Members were asked to provide any feedback or suggestions – it was noted that Health, Hygiene and Allergies would be thoroughly researched. There would be a definitive area between Traders and hobby makers

Definitive areas for Trade and Hobby The next working group meeting, would be held on 10th February at 10am in the Parish Office

25/92C **Fete – 4th July 2026 (WWMRG)**

- The Flower and Produce schedule should be available for the next meeting
- Guy had tentatively booked the PA system
- The Trustee would be asked to agree expenditure for donkeys to attend

- 25/93C Fashion Show (WWMRG)**
Ali had spoken to potential businesses, who had expressed initial interest for spring/summer collections and would contact them again to obtain a preferred date potentially April/May
- 25/94C Celebrating Craft Exhibition (WWMRG) – 18th July 2026**
Lyn had all in hand and had produced a poster – the date would be advertised in the next Newsletter
- 25/95C Pantomime/Play (WWMRG)**
No update
- 25/96C Yard Sale / Jumble Trail (WWMRG)**
This would only be able to be held if there was a volunteer to organise the event – members were asked to consider before the next meeting, where a decision would be taken as to whether to proceed
- 25/97C Open Gardens (WWMRG)**
A meeting would be held in the Parish Office on 28th January 2026, which would be included in the newsletter, inviting anyone who wished to open their garden or be involved with organising the event to attend
- 25/98C Any other ideas for events**
- Murder Mystery – the consensus was this could be a good fundraiser, so would be added to the next agenda
 - Quiz
- 25/99C Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 12th February 2026**

Meeting closed at 8 pm

Signed Mrs L Payne

Dated 12th February 2026