

AGENDA

Monday 14th Sept 2026 7:30 pm in Othery Village Hall

- 1 **Apologies:** Cllr Jennings:
- 2 **Present:** Cllrs Tizzard: Selway: Betty: Croucher: Graham: Wright: Cllr Matt Martin: One member of the local community:
- 3 **Declarations of Interest:** These will always be declared at the agenda item when appropriate.
- 4 **Certifying the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13th July 2026:** One alteration required as Cllr Betty who was not present at the July meeting informed the meeting that the police were present requestion information regarding a matter not related to the Street Fayre and were not required to be involved with the minor altercation. The Clerk will change the minutes otherwise they were accepted.
- 5 **Public question time and Neighbourhood Watch/Crime report and an update from Cllr Matthew Martin:** The member of the public present together with Cllr Graham advised the meeting that the problem of inconsiderate parking were still an ongoing issue for residents coming out of Keens Lane. It was also reported that one of the no parking children signs had been reversed over by someone and was damaged beyond repair. The Clerk will notify the police who provided them. It was felt that the school need to engage with the parents and the Clerk was asked to write to the school. One other problem is that there is a bus stop in the same vicinity but that is not a major issue. There are now more children at the school coming from Middlezoy so more traffic at drop off and pick up times. The Zig Zag lines to the Taunton side of the school are not the full suggested length because when they were put in there was a shop there but that has long gone. The is a road safety issue with the Zig Zag lines needing extending to their full length ASAP.. The Clerk was asked by Cllr Martin to update him by email so that he can take this matter up with the highways department.
- 6 **Matters Arising:** SID Cables and downloading data: Cllr Tizzard confirmed that he has the necessary cables and instructions and will download the data from the SIDs for the next meeting.
- 7 **Playing Field:** Update: There is a donation of £230 waiting to go into the bank once Cllr Betty has the bank details from the Clerk. Cllr Selway did not get the link for the inspection report and has asked the Clerk to resend the link. Cllr Selway is still waiting for formal quotes which it was agreed could be agreed by email to speed up the process if necessary. The work can now start more easily as the children are at school.
- 8 **Cemetery:** Update: Cllr Betty will get a quote to create a new garden of rest area as the existing is nearly full with recently two interment of ashes
- 9 **Highways:** Update; Westlake Close drains are blocked with in one case grass growing out of the drain. The path below the council houses needs urgent attention. Other drains were not cleared and need attention. The Clerk will notify County Highways with a copy to Cllr Martin.
- 10 **Media Report:** Update: Minutes need to be added to the website. The Clerk will get that done.
- 11 **Community Speed Watch:** No co-ordinator:

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- 12 **Planning notice:** Planning application number: 38/26/00005/CMG: Proposal: Conversion of residential outbuilding into a separate one bedroom dwelling: Location: Olivers House, Fore Street, Othery, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 0QH; The Parish Council support this application.
- 13 **Financial Matters:** The Parish Council wish to have and update on the work of Martin Pring as during the hot summer his work would not have been as great as normal.

The Charity is The British Heart Foundation.

Expenditure:	Salary	£ 268.24
	Salary administration	£ 15.00
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	Alzheimers	£ 25.00
	Parkinsons	£ 25.00
	G Wagen James	£ 874.95
	SPFA	£ 100.00

Income:

- 14 **Correspondence:**
- 15 **Correspondence for Circulation:** Already circulated by email:
- 16 **Urgent Matters at the discretion of the Chairman:** Setting the precept to be an agenda item for the next meeting: Cllr Selway asked for permission to cut back the Walnut tree overhanging her property from the playing field which was agreed by the meeting.

Date and time of the next meeting: Monday 12th Oct 2026 7:30 Parish Council Meeting.