

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MINUTES

17th November 2025

C Watkins (in the Chair)

P Bruce	(P)	P Sykes	(P)
P Kembery	(A)	D Marriott	(A)
N Beebee	(A)	L Fogg-Rogers	(P)
C Watkins	(P)	N Labuschagne	(A)

Two members of the public were also in attendance.

89.11/25 Evacuation procedure - Leave via the fire door and assemble outside in the play area.
Noted

90.11/25 Apologies.
Cllrs Marriott, Kembery, Beebee and Labuschagne

91.11/25 Declaration of Interests under the Localism Act 2011.
None

92.11/25 Public participation
None

93.11/25 To agree the minutes of meeting held on the 20th October 2025
RESOLVED, the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th October 2025 were agreed and signed.

94.11/25 Clerk's report and action update
Noted

The remaining areas in the Greenfield Centre have been tested for asbestos along with the tennis club

The community litter pick was a great success with over 30 volunteers in attendance

ROSPA have been asked to quote to carry out water safety reviews on all Parish Council ponds

Quotes have been requested from two companies for fire compartmentation surveys

The blocked drain in Frenchay Car Park has been cleared.

Work has been carried out to, hopefully, stop the leak in Greenfield Club roof

Boilers have had their annual service at the Greenfield Centre.

Community Events: We have run another Sewing Machine workshop with another one later this month.

Community Events: The Photography Competition has now finished – the assistant clerk will publicise winners once votes are in.

OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

Hambrook Common – hogging path: 18/8 quote requested from Frome Valley Landscaping. 15/8 awaiting quote. 20/10 awaiting quote. 06.11: Clerk has advised Cllr Fogg-Rogers to consult with Frome Valley Landscaping to advise of the potential location. 17/11: on-going

Public use of tennis courts: 18/8 Clerk has contacted the Tennis Club but has received no reply as yet. 15/9: no reply received. 20.10: no reply received. 06/11: Clerk has been advised that courts can be used by anyone at a cost of £6 per hour without having to pay any membership fees. Item closed.

Clerk is requesting land registry documents for Tuckett Field. 20/10: Land registry is processing the application. 16.11: no update

95.11/25 Reports from members and to confirm allocation of areas to members

Frenchay (PK & CW allocated members)

All is ok in Frenchay. Two additional signs could be considered around the pond. Clerk advised awaiting a quote from ROSPA for the water safety reports.

Winterbourne, to include the Recreation Field, Duck Pond and Allotments (NB, SH: allotments, JL: Recreation Ground allocated members)

Nothing to report

The Dingle, Winterbourne Down and Hambrook (LFR & DE allocated members)

The river has been flooding

Cllr Fogg Rogers has a pedestrian crossing for Hambrook petition open

The 'save the buses' meeting was a great success with over 100 attendees

The Greenfield Centre (DN & Clerk allocated members)

Nothing to report

East of Harry Stoke (PS & PB allocated members)

There was a stakeholder meeting on 22nd October. There are no answers yet on bus routes but there is a travel plan meeting planned. Brooklands is nearly completed. Letters have been sent out to establish who will run the sports facilities. Only one school is planned to be built now and the other in 2029.

96.11/25 To agree the following grant requests:

- All Saints Church- £500

RESOLVED, to approve the full amount and recommend to Full Council on condition the work has not been completed and the application is within policy.

- Hambrook Sports Association - £2,551.86

RESOLVED, to defer until the next meeting. Cllr Eldridge to check request prior to next meeting.

- Frenchay Cricket Club - £1,179.79

RESOLVED, to approve the full amount and recommend to Full Council subject to confirmation the coaching courses are for youth coaching.

97.11/25 To consider and make decision on a quote for annual pest control at The Greenfield Centre

RESOLVED, all members in agreement this is not necessary.

98.11/25 To consider and make agreement on the Annual Hygiene quote

RESOLVED, all members in agreement to accept the quote.

99.11/25 To consider and make agreement on a quote for rectification work to the Greenfield Club ceiling

RESOLVED, all members in agreement to accept the quote. Works to commence only when the leak has been fixed.

100.11/25 To review the Sports Grant Policy

RESOLVED, all members in agreement with the proposed policy and to recommend to Full Council.

101.11/25 To discuss the quotes received for Sports Pitch maintenance

Clerk advised that some of the work had already been completed and hope more works can be undertaken in the spring.

RESOLVED, all members in agreement to defer a contract until next budget year.

102.11/25 To provide name suggestions for a residential site off Old Gloucester Road, Hambrook

RESOLVED, names have been suggested to the Clerk who will send to Highways

103.11/25: To review the Risk Assessments (Jubilee and Frenchay Allotments and Huckford Quarry)

RESOLVED, the risk assessments were agreed and allocated to: Cllr Hancock - Jubilee Allotments, Cllr Collins - Frenchay Allotments and Cllr Bruce - Huckford Quarry.

104.11/25 Any other items to note from members

Photography competition winners announced. Clerk advised that winning entries will be printed and hung in the Greenfield Centre foyer with the top three from each season being put into a calendar.

Meeting concluded 8.25pm