

Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 27th March 2026

West Parley Community Hub, 275 Christchurch Road

Present: Councillors: John Barber; Mark Barber; Rachel McDonald; Barbara Manuel;
Andrew Parry (Dorset Councillor); David Spencer

In the absence of the Clerk due to annual leave, Cllr Mark Barber recorded the draft minutes.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllrs: Andy Batley; Chris Graham

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary

Cllr McDonald declared a Pecuniary Interest in items 4 & 5.

3. PRESENTATION BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

4. Consideration to exclude the Press and Public in accordance with Section 1, subsection (2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960

Cllr McDonald left the meeting at 7.09pm

Confidential minutes were taken for items 5-7.

5. Parley Community Pre-School Lease

To consider and approve the lease terms for Parley Community Pre-school

Council **resolved** to accept the lease, but deferred to Cllr Parry and cllr Mark Barber to discuss with Council's solicitor to conclude outstanding questions on certain clauses, and to sign the lease as soon as possible.

6. Community Benefit Justification for Reduced Rent (under section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972)

It was **resolved** that;

The Parish council recognises significant community benefit through the provision of early years education and childcare.

The Parish council recognises the support for local families and working parents.

The Parish council recognises the contribution to the social well-being of the Parish.

The Parish council recognises that the Pre-school is a not for profit charitable organisation.

The Parish council recognises that the Pre-school enhances the local community infrastructure and accessibility.

Cllr McDonald returned to the meeting at 8.03pm

7. Agree to the continuing use of a third party HR Company

Resolved: to agree up to 20 hours.

Meeting started: 7.08pm

Meeting closed: 8.10pm