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**Clerk Report – July 2026**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS / DATES FOR DIARY**

**Next Parish Council Meeting** – Wednesday 16th July @ 7pm – Meeting Room at Village Hall

**HBBC Parish Forum** – Thursday 19th June **-**6:30-9pm, Location TBC

**HBBC Parish Forum** – Tuesday 16th September **-**6:30-9pm - Location TBC

* Government funding for Neighbourhood Plan development will end from March 2026.
* The Clerk has received three complaints regarding the cleanliness of the Village Hall. The Chair of the Village Hall Management Committee (myself and Kev) met with Sue to agree on a plan moving forward, which includes the purchase of improved cleaning equipment and the introduction of a weekly cleaning checklist.
* Three residents have raised concerns about people, including young children, allegedly living at the property proposed as a Children’s Home. HBBC has investigated and found no planning breach.
* A Village Hall volunteer meeting has been scheduled to discuss upcoming events: **22nd July at 6:30pm**.
* The Clerk has responded to the latest request for further information from the External Auditor.
* The Q1 operational playground inspection has been completed, uploaded, and circulated to Council.
* A donation of £2,000 has been made to support Stanfest 2025.
* A complaint about the overgrown PROW (Public Right of Way) from St John Cole Crescent, past Bell Close to Cliffe Hill Road, has been referred to LCC.
* A complaint regarding hazardous and uneven ground in the jitty between Main Street and the recreation ground has been referred to LCC’s PROW team. An outcome is expected shortly.
* Stanton under Bardon Village Hall is now recognised as a **Warm Space** for local residents seeking support against social isolation.
* A wedding party declined to book the Village Hall due to the lack of tablecloths and seat covers. This is for information only.
* A long-standing line dancing hirer is relocating to Gloucestershire. The Clerk is assisting in finding a replacement teacher, as the class is popular.
* A resident complained about outstanding tree removal work between their property and the recreation ground. The Clerk advised the resident to submit a formal complaint to Council or contact Parish Councillors via the website. No further update has been received.
* Residents have reported wind-blown litter from behind the Main Street shop entering their gardens. The Clerk contacted the Council and advised residents to report the matter to Environmental Health or speak with their Borough Councillors.
* LOROS has enquired about reapplying to the Council’s Community Grant Scheme when funding for their bereavement sessions ends in late 2025. Council will need to decide whether to allocate the remaining £500 in the grant budget or vire funds from reserves if a full application is received.