SEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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The next Parish Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 17th November 2026, at 18:30, and will take place at Seavington Millennium Hall.

Clarification Regarding a Previous Report
A previous article in the Seavington News was written in a way that may have caused a misunderstanding, suggesting that Parish Councillors should not be approached at all.

We would like to clarify that this was not the intention. The request was simply for residents to respect Parish Councillors' personal time and not approach them about Parish Council matters when they are out socialising or enjoying their free time.

We hope this clarification helps to avoid any further misunderstanding, and we thank residents for their understanding and consideration.

So, if you see a Councillor out and about, for example whilst out for a walk, please do feel free to say hello or have a friendly chat. We simply ask that everyone respects the distinction between a Councillor's public role and their personal time.

Dog Control and Public Spaces
Residents are reminded that Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) requirements are enforced by Somerset Council across public spaces in Somerset, including those within our village.

These rules will be actively policed, and spot fines will be issued to those who fail to comply.

The restrictions include:

- No dogs in the fenced children's play park.
- Dogs must be kept on leads in the Playing Field and Rowdells Orchard, where these restrictions apply.
- Dog owners must pick up after their dogs and dispose of waste responsibly.

Failure to comply with the relevant restrictions may result in a fine.

It is important to emphasise that these measures form part of Somerset Council's enforcement of public spaces across Somerset. They are not rules introduced or enforced by the Parish Council. The Parish Council is keen to ensure residents are aware of the requirements and understand that enforcement action may be taken.

We ask all dog owners to familiarise themselves with the restrictions, act responsibly and help keep our public spaces safe, clean and enjoyable for everyone.

Defibrillators – How to Access Them

It has come to our attention that some residents may be unsure how to access the village defibrillators in an emergency.

If someone suffers a suspected cardiac arrest, call 999 immediately and ask for an ambulance. The emergency call handler will advise you of the location of the nearest available defibrillator, provide the access code for the cabinet where applicable, and talk you through how to use it.

You do not need to be trained in advance to use a defibrillator. Once switched on, the device provides clear voice instructions to guide you through the process. Follow the instructions given by the emergency call handler and the defibrillator itself.

Defibrillators can save lives, so please do not hesitate to use one in an emergency. Calling 999 will ensure you receive guidance on accessing and using the equipment as quickly as possible.

Thank you to all residents for helping us keep our village a welcoming, safe and pleasant place for everyone.