

- 05/06/23 **PRESENT:** Cllrs Westmaas (in the Chair), Mackay, Chilcott, Hamblyn and Fraser.
- 05/06/24 **ALSO PRESENT:** 9 members of the public.
- 05/06/25 **APOLOGIES:** were received from CCllr Huxtable and DCllr Kingham who both had other meetings to attend.
- 05/06/26 **IN ATTENDANCE:** Clerk to the Council
- 05/06/27 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE COMING YEAR AND SIGNING OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE:** The Chairman asked for nominations. Cllr Westmaas was proposed, seconded and unanimously elected. Cllr Westmaas signed his declaration of acceptance of office.
- 05/06/28 **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COMING YEAR:** The Chairman asked for nominations. Cllr Mackay was proposed, seconded and unanimously elected.
- 05/06/29 **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** were amended under 7a and signed as a correct record.
- 05/06/30 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None declared.
- 05/06/31 **HIGHWAYS:**
- a. Consideration of map marked by councillors - this had gone astray. Cllr Mackay to make copies for all councillors to complete individually with the results to be combined.
  - b. LTP2 received - for circulation
  - c. Any urgent problems arising and updates
    - i. Little Leaze Lane has been 'graded' by a farm vehicle as a result of the sides of the road having sunk too low. This is in urgent need of attention.
    - ii. Clerk to ask for verges to be cut early in an attempt to partially remedy last year's mess - Lippetts Way and Scotts Lane.
    - iii. Correction to white lining in Steel Lane to be chased and Steel Lane sign in need of attention.
- 05/06/32 **PLANNING:**
- a. 14/05/00003 Erection of three dwellings at The Old Bakery - permission has been refused.
  - b. SDC Supplementary Planning Guidance on Affordable Housing - for circulation
  - c. Village Design Statement - The group has met once more and is due to meet again.
- 05/06/33 **GATES TO CHURCHYARD:** Cllr Mackay to contact architect to establish what might be involved.
- 05/06/34 **FINANCE:**
- a. Accounts for 2004-2005 - All the sheets had been circulated to councillors in advance. These were considered at the meeting and the accounts were approved for signature by the Chairman and Clerk. The Statement of Assurance was gone through step by step with a 'yes' answer to all questions.
  - b. Cheques for signature and income received - The precept has been received. A VAT repayment has been received. Two cheques were approved for payment: Chq.563 J A Marshall (Clerk's salary and expenses) £319.69; Chq.564 Catcott Parish Council (transfer to National Savings Account) £4,000.00.
  - c. Amenity Grant & Somerset Community Chest - The Clerk had received the Amenity Grant claim form and also some information regarding the Community Chest. With regard to the Amenity Grant the Clerk informed Council that she had asked Mr Dunster to tidy the village. It was noted that he had not tidied and cleared the debris and the Clerk would re-specify the requirements.
- 05/06/35 **SALC:** any information/circulars in circulation.
- 05/06/36 **FOOTPATHS:** The work requested at the far end of Langlands has now been done.
- 05/06/37 **PROVISION OF LITTER BIN IN BUS SHELTER:** Clerk to remind DCllr Kingham of his offer to investigate

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this on behalf of the village.

- 05/06/38 **CLERK'S CONTRACT:** this had been put into circulation and together with the rest of the items in circulation was not available. Agreed the Clerk should look for some more noticeable form of container, suitable for putting through letter boxes, in order that councillors would not overlook the circulation items.
- 05/06/39 **DOG FOULING ON SCHOOL FOOTPATH AND ELSEWHERE:** The Clerk had received replies regarding signs and bin provision. The signs had not yet been put up.
- 05/06/40 **POSITIONING OF WELLFIELD NOTICEBOARD:** An alternative site was proving very difficult to find. Clerk asked to sound out Highways with regard to putting a sign at Church Way. Councillors asked to continue to look for alternatives.
- 05/06/41 **TRAFALGAR WEEKEND:** 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2005 - for circulation
- 05/06/42 **ANY OTHER REPORTS OR ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION INCL:** Local Council Review; Clerks & Councils Direct; Somerset by the Sea; etc.
- 05/06/43 **URGENT CORRESPONDENCE:** The Chairman read a letter from Mr Rose regarding the telephone kiosk outside the Post Office. Mr Rose, who owns the land it stands on, has asked BT to remove it.
- 05/06/44 **ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:** Re-election of Trustees to the Mary Godfrey Charity. Apologies from Cllr Hamblyn who will be away.
- 05/06/45 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> June 2005

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