

- 09/10/130 **PRESENT:** Cllrs Fraser the Chair), Mackay, Chilcott and Gould.
- 09/10/131 **APOLOGIES** for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Redwood and CCllr Huxtable.
- 09/10/132 **ALSO PRESENT:** 11 members of the public.
- 09/10/133 **IN ATTENDANCE:** Clerk to the Council
- 09/10/134 **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING** were confirmed and signed.
- 09/10/135 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:** none declared.
- 09/10/136 **HIGHWAYS**
- A39 and report of meeting** - Cllrs Mackay and Gould had attended together with the Clerk. Various Highways officers, CCllr Huxtable and Ian Liddell-Grainger MP had also been present. Fairly positive meeting with agreement that visibility is poor and action needs to be taken. CCllr Huxtable had since emailed the Clerk that the improvements proposed were deemed "do able" and were accepted by the officers present. Proposals included clearer signage and alterations to the hedges to improve visibility. It was also agreed by the officers present that the A39 is a strategic route.
 - Speed watch** - Mr Frier reported that the first 'session' is due to take place shortly.
 - Winter maintenance** - Clerk reported on the leaflet just received. She would try to collect some de-icing material from the Dunball depot but this might not be possible because of the extremely restricted time slot allocated.
 - Problems arising** - The Clerk had asked Mr Gill to arrange for the tree roots at the Churchyard gateway to be attended to as the gate is still not operating properly. Agreed that a watch should be kept on the road drainage in Vine Orchard.
- 09/10/137 **PLANNING:**
- Appeal at Land to the rear of 2 & 4 King William Road for erection of 4 dwellings (SDC No.14/08/00017 (Appeal No. APP/V3310/A/09/2104715/NWF)** - appeal has failed
 - 14/09/00019 - change of use and conversion of barn at 5 Manor Road** - no update
 - 14/09/00020 - application for stables** (details not known at present - application in abeyance)
 - 14/09/00021 - Removal of condition 2 of permission 14/03/00007 to allow parking agricultural equipment and goods outside the building in field off Little Leaze Lane** - Supported.
 - 14/09/00022 - Conversion of building to agricultural building at Rose Park, Scotts Lane** - application not received - currently in abeyance)
 - Local Development Framework** - information had been emailed to councillors.
- 09/10/138 **RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS:** no problems noted.
- 09/10/139 **BUS SHELTER - DAMAGE:** Cllr Mackay and Mr Adams had met. Cllr Mackay proposed that all the timber on the damage side be replaced. This was agreed up to £100 expense to include Mr Adams' labour. Cllr Mackay would assist him.
- 09/10/140 **FINANCE:**
- Finance sheet** - accepted by Council
 - Clerk's Salary** - It appeared that the Clerk's pay recommendations from NALC indicated a slight decrease. *Since the meeting the facts had been checked and the Clerk had mis-read the SCP.*
 - Cheques for signature** were agreed as follows:- Chq.094 J A Marshall (Clerk's salary and expenses) £ 291.70; Chq.095 M Adams (Village Maintenance) £50.00; Chq.096 Porter Plant Hire (Work at Parish Plot) £322.00; Chq.097 C Gould (reimbursement for additional registration fee for Parish Plot) £10.00.
- 09/10/141 **PEAT EXTRACTION ON THE SOMERSET LEVELS AND MOORS:** consultation had been discussed at the last Cluster meeting. Would not really affect Catcott.
- 09/10/142 **VILLAGE SIGNS:** Agreed other village signs be looked at. Middlezoy and Burtle were suggested.
- 09/10/143 **CLUSTER MEETING:** Cllrs Mackay and Chilcott had attended the last meeting.
- 09/10/144 **CLUSTER GROUP WORKSHOP:** What there was in the way of detail was passed to councillors.
- 09/10/145 **SDC, SCC:**
- Budget briefing** - Thursday 19th November at Bridgwater House
 - Spring bulbs** - Clerk had requested these.
- 09/10/146 **CPRE:** Countryside Voice put for circulation
- 09/10/147 **PARISH PLOT:** Cllr Gould had now got the land registered with the Land Registry. Cllr Mackay reported on work undertaken in line with the HLS Agreement
- 09/10/148 **NHS CONSULTATION RE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY IN SOMERSET:** Details had been forwarded to all councillors. Clerk had put details of all the recent consultations on the Council's website.
- 09/10/149 **ELECTORAL REVIEW OF SEDGEMOOR:** Details had been forwarded to all councillors. Noted.
- 09/10/150 **SOMERSET WASTE PARTNERSHIP STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOPS:** 20th and 27th November (Friday mornings) at Bridgwater & Albion Rugby Club. Additional times might be arranged.
- 09/10/151 **SW AMBULANCE SERVICE FOUNDATION TRUST CONSULTATION:** Forwarded to all councillors. On Catcott's website.
- 09/10/152 **ENVIRONMENT AGENCY - DESILTING WORKS:** Noted.
- 09/10/153 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION** - Digital Switchover pack. It was advised that all Catcott is now properly covered by Neighbourhood Watch.
- 09/10/154 **ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:** Clerk to establish what sort of fund raising activities Edington Village Hall is undertaking with regard to the extensions. Clerk's salary.
- 09/10/155 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, 8th December 2009 following which there will be FESTIVE REFRESHMENTS.