

04/05/99 **PRESENT:** Cllrs R Westmaas (in the Chair), P Mackay, E Chilcott, R Fraser.

04/05/100 **ALSO PRESENT:** 7 members of the public.

04/05/101 **IN ATTENDANCE:** The Clerk.

04/05/102 **APOLOGIES:** were received from Cllr Hamblyn.

04/05/103 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** were confirmed and signed.

04/05/104 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS:** none declared.

04/05/105 **MATTERS ARISING ON MINUTES AND NOT LISTED ELSEWHERE:**

- a. Lippetts Way Sign - The Clerk reported that she had found this sign further along Lippetts Way and had it temporarily stored at her house pending repair.

04/05/106 **HIGHWAYS:**

- a. Any urgent problems arising and updates

- i. *Verges* - The Clerk reported on Mr Gill's response to the issues arising at the last meeting. With regard to the verges the Clerk was instructed to write to the Chief Executive of SCC with copies to CCllr Huxtable, DCllr Kingham, Mr Gill and Alun Michael. Council agreed that the verges needed to be totally restored and made good. This would involve the clearing of stones, rubble and nettles as well as the general rubbish. Cllrs would try to find 'before and after' photos and the Clerk was instructed to wait for a while before writing in the hope that some photos would be available.

- ii. *Weight limit sign* - is missing from the Nidon.

- b. A39 speed limits - proposed new Traffic Regulation Orders - The Clerk made Council aware of these.

- c. Speed Management Review meeting - 18th October - Catcott School Hall - 7.30pm - Council agreed that Cllrs Westmaas and Mackay should attend. The Clerk would be there as well as she had to open the hall up and lock up afterwards.

- d. Local Transport Plan - in circulation.

04/05/107 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** CCllr Huxtable had provided a written report concerning SCC grants which would be discussed under Finance.

04/05/108 **PLANNING:**

- a. Peat planning applications - response and meeting at Westhay re Peat regulatory framework of policies - It was agreed that someone would try to attend this meeting.

- b. SDC Local Plan - has been adopted.

- c. Somerset Minerals Local Plan - has been published.

- d. Consultation - Developer Contributions to Children's Play Space and Outdoor Sport - in circulation.

- e. 14/04/00011/KEP - Erection of dwelling on land to the West of 8 Lippetts Way - permission refused because it lies outside the development limit.

04/05/109 **FINANCE:**

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Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday, 12th October 2004 in Catcott School Hall at 7.30pm

- a. SCC Grant - The grant Cllr Huxtable had alerted the council to was considered. The Clerk mentioned that the School is keen to renovate its flagpole. It was also noted that both the main noticeboard and the one outside the school are in need of attention of some kind. On consideration the Council agreed that a grant of £600 be applied for to replace one of the churchyard gates to enable disabled access. The clerk would try to gain additional information as to whether the School could apply for grants and whether the Council could apply for more than one and, if this was the case, to put in for grants for the other items mentioned.
- b. Grant request from St Peter's Church - The Clerk read a letter from Val Hollis. Council agreed to make a grant towards churchyard upkeep of £400.00.
- c. Cheques for signature - were approved as follows:- Chq.544 J A Marshall (Clerk's salary and expenses) £285.89; Chq.545 St Peter's Church (grant for churchyard maintenance) £400.00.

- 04/05/110 **SALC:** Papers received were in circulation. The Clerk had attended the AGM. Her annotated sheet relating to the Code of Conduct for Local Government employees had been copied to all councillors. The main speaker had been the retiring Chief Constable of Avon and Somerset. Amongst other issues raised had been the matter of Police Community Support Officers and it transpired that there was a difference in the area covered as "Sedgemoor" within the Police authority and that covered as a district within Somerset County.
- 04/05/111 **MEETING WITH COUNTY COUNCIL - 26TH OCTOBER 2004:** Cllrs Westmaas and Mackay would attend.
- 04/05/112 **POLDEN HILLS CLUSTER MEETING - TUESDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, WOOLAVINGTON:** Cllr Chilcott and the Clerk would try to attend.
- 04/05/113 **VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT:** The next meeting is planned for 25th October.
- 04/05/114 **COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH:** It was agreed to postpone a decision for the time being.
- 04/05/115 **LICENSING ACT 2003 - SDC CONSULTATION:** in circulation.
- 04/05/116 **PROVISION OF SEAT IN BUS SHELTER:** would be attended to.
- 04/05/117 **JUBILEE STONE:** The amended lettering supplied by AJS was approved.
- 04/05/118 **LAMP:** The missing map was still awaited. Clerk to contact Richard Bradford.
- 04/05/119 **A MODEL CODE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES:** SALC sheet from AGM had been provided by the clerk with annotations.
- 04/05/120 **CPRE AGM:** 6th November At Barrington Court, 11.00am.
- 04/05/121 **RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLANS AND FOOTPATHS:** There are a bridge and stile in urgent need of repair on footpath BW6/5 at points 2 and 3 as identified on the footpath survey map. Cllr Mackay reported on proposed improvements to bridleway provision along the Poldens. Clerk asked to ascertain exactly where the proposed route will go.
- 04/05/122 **LOWER BRUE DRAINAGE BOARD VOTING PAPER:** was completed.
- 04/05/123 **SOUTH WEST REGIONAL ASSEMBLY - REGIONAL SPATIAL STRATEGY FOR THE SOUTH WEST 2006-2026:** in circulation.
- 04/05/124 **LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY - LETTER FROM ALUN MICHAEL:** As a result of this letter Council agreed to send Alun Michael a copy of correspondence with Highways regarding the verges in Catcott..
- 04/05/125 **ANY OTHER REPORTS OR ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:** items received for information were in circulation.
- 04/05/126 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - Tuesday, 9th November 2004

Chairman

Date