- 19/20/1 PRESENT Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heale, Turner and Gilbert.
- 19/20/2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received and accepted from Cllr Coakeley.
- 19/20/3 ALSO PRESENT: 4 members of the public and DCllr Kingham.
- 19/20/4 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 19/20/5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS & DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED DClir Kingham declared an interest in planning.
- 19/20/6 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed.
- 19/20/7 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none.
- 19/20/8 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT DCllr Kingham reported that the new cinema in Bridgwater is on track. Tenders are out for the other businesses on the site. The lease is for 25 years. He said he had enjoyed our meetings and will continue to support us if re-elected.
- 19/20/9 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT CCllr Huxtable was not present.

19/20/10 HIGHWAYS -

- a. Any updates on previous problems
 - i. <u>Speedwatch</u> Two sites have now been approved for use. The Clerk has been assured that on site training will be given soon.
 - ii. Nidon Lane road markings Clerk to chase Kathryn Tyson again.
 - iii. Visibility at Crossroads Cllr Heale kindly cut the vegetation back for the householder.
 - iv. Holywell Road pot hole at bend near Church Road Clerk to chase this up.
 - v. <u>439</u> Clerk to report bad pothole opposite Woodland Cottage.
 - vi. Redlands the big hump has gone but there are nasty potholes further on.
 - vii. <u>Chandlers Lane pole</u> Highways have instructed BT to get this sorted out.
 - viii. Pothole on Holywell Road bend near Chandlers Lane this has been repaired.
 - b. Any other highway matters
 - i. <u>Broadmead Lane</u> there are potholes that need repairing. Siting of them to be established.
 - ii. <u>Road Closures</u> nobody was sure whether the repairs on Lippetts Way/Broadway have been actioned. Notification of other closures had been put on the noticeboards and forwarded to councillors.

19/20/11 PLANNING -

- a. 26/18/00004 erection of two dormer bungalows and formation of vehicular access on land to the east of West Close, Church Road The removed trees did not have TPOs on so there is no action that can be taken.
- b. <u>Grafton Lodge</u>, <u>Broadmead Lane</u> Clerk to chase response. Clerk mentioned that she had an acknowledgement explaining that there is a delay because of the number of complaints they are dealing with.
- c. Any other planning matters
 - i. <u>SDC new Local Plan now in force</u> This is now the Development Plan and Maps that we must be guided by.
 - ii. 19/19/00007 erect 26 dwellings on land off Hayne Walk (via Chapel Close), Chilton Polden Although not in our parish we had been consulted as it could affect us. Clerk will ask for a short time extension to enable a response after the May meeting. Affordable houses would be welcome. Perhaps some CIL funding could be put towards making it safer to access the shop and Post Office from there. Clerk to contact Chilton Polden regarding this application.
- 19/20/12 FOOTPATHS There was concern over signage near Woodland Cottage.
- 19/20/13 CLEANUP Cllr Tilbury reported that this went well with twelve active volunteers. There was less litter than in previous years.

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19/20/14 FLY TIPPING - still takes place along the road to Burtle but is soon picked up by Clean Surroundings.

19/20/15 FINANCE

- a. Accounts check Statements and accounts had been forwarded to councillors prior to the meeting. Approved.
- b. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows:- Chq.851 J A Marshall (pay and expenses) £322.87; Chq.852 St George's Church (Churchyard maintenance grant) £510.00; Chq.853 J A Marshall (McAfee software) £89.99; Chq.854 Information Commissioner (Data Protection) £40.00; Chq.855 R Tilbury (Cleanup refreshments) £15.16; Chq.856 Edington School Room (hire of hall for meetings) £132.00.
- c. <u>Internal and External Audits</u> It was agreed that Richard Young should again be asked to undertake the internal audit. The paperwork for the external audit had been forwarded to councillors in advance. The certificate of exemption was signed by the Chairman and Clerk. The Annual Governance Statement was agreed for all boxes and signed by the Chairman and Clerk. The Accounting Statement had previously been signed by the Clerk and was now signed by the Chairman. The value of assets was increased to include both sides of the land on the Nidon.
- d. Any other finance matters
 - i. <u>Insurance</u> the Clerk had asked for the figure for the cost of renewal as this hadn't been sent with the other documentation. She would also try to get another quote now that the value of the Nidon land was established.
 - ii. Precept SDC has notified the Clerk that the precept has been paid to us.
 - iii. <u>VAT reclaim</u> the Clerk has submitted a reclaim in the sum of £91.58.
- 19/20/16 NOTICE BOARD IN BUS SHELTER Mr Meade is hoping to look at this next week.
- 19/20/17 **ELECTIONS** There were five nominations for five vacancies so it will be an uncontested election. Details of training can be provided by the Clerk for the two new members.
- 19/20/18 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING to take place on Thursday 9th May at 7pm.
- 19/20/19 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION The Clerk had received European Election Posters to display on the noticeboards.
- 19/20/20 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none.
- 19/20/21 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING new bank signatories; insurance; Nidon land; Risk Assessment and Management; Statement of Internal Control.
- 10/20/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 9th May following the Annual Parish Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

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- 19/20/23 PRESENT Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heale, Gilbert, Olive and Vine.
- 19/20/24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None.
- 19/20/25 ALSO PRESENT: 2 members of the public, CCllr Huxtable and DCllr Kingham.
- 19/20/26 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 19/20/27 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE COMING YEAR and SIGNING OF DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE BY ALL COUNCILLORS AND THE CHAIRMAN Cllr Heale proposed Cllr Tilbury. Seconded by Cllr Gilbert. Carried. All councillors signed their declaration of acceptance of office witnessed by the Clerk. The Chairman then signed his declaration of acceptance of office as Chairman which was witnessed by the Clerk.
- 19/20/28 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE COMING YEAR Cllr Tilbury proposed Cllr Heale. Seconded by Cllr Gilbert. Carried.
- 19/20/29 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none.
- 19/20/30 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed.
 - 20/31 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES Cllr Olive was appointed as the Footpath Liaison Officer.
- 19/20/32 STATEMENT OF INTERNAL CONTROL this was reviewed, agreed and will be attached to the minutes.
- 19/20/33 RISK MANAGEMENT this was reviewed. The Nidon Land was added. It was agreed and will be attached to the minutes.
- 19/20/34 ANY MATTERS REQUIRING ATTENTION FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING none raised.
- 19/20/35 PERMISSION FOR FUTURE DELIVERY OF AGENDAS VIA EMAIL AND FOR CONTACT DETAILS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE WEBSITE All councillors were happy to receive their agendas by email and for their details and photographs to appear on the Council website.
- 19/20/36 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED NONE.
- 19/20/37 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT DCllr Kingham had no additional report following the APM.
- 19/20/38 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT CCllr Huxtable said he is working on making the arrangements for some of the councillors to view the work taking place when the A39 resurfacing takes place.

15,20/39 HIGHWAYS -

- a. Any updates on previous problems
 - i. Speedwatch covered in the APM.
 - ii. Nidon Lane road markings Clerk has chased Kathryn Tyson again.
 - iii. Pothole on Holywell Road bend near Church Road repaired.
 - iv. A39 pothole near Woodland Cottage will be repaired when resurfacing takes place 20/05/19.
 - v. Chandlers Lane pole Clerk has asked Highways if BT have been given a deadline for this work.
 - vi. Broadmead Lane potholes several have been repaired.
- b. Any other highway matters
 - i. <u>Cycle ride</u> a large cycle ride is to take place on 27th July. Both Broadway and Holywell Road north will be used. Clerk to press for potholes on the route to be repaired prior to this in the interests of safety.
 - ii. Broadway potholes complaints received of potholes between the two sections of Edington.
 - iii. <u>Drain outside The Great House</u> Highways to be asked to keep this clear in future as the householders no longer feel able to undertake this task.

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19/20/40 PRESENT- CCllr Huxtable left the meeting.

19/20/41 PLANNING -

- a. <u>Grafton Lodge, Broadmead Lane</u> the Enforcement Officer had requested clarification. Cllr Gilbert had provided a map which the Clerk had forwarded on.
- b. 19/19/00007 erect 26 dwellings on land off Hayne Walk (via Chapel Close), Chilton Polden Clerk was instructed to express the Council's concern regarding: drainage (there was flooding in 2012); traffic generation on the Broadway and approach roads; additional parking at Catcott School; additional parking at the Surgery; over development.
- c. Any other planning matters
 - i. 26/19/00003 Oakdene, Broadway extension amended plans no comments.
 - ii. <u>Development limit maps</u> Clerk supplied copies of the new development limit for everyone.
- 19/20/42 FOOTPATHS Cllr Tilbury handed the Clerk £3.50 for a further sale of the footpath booklet.
- 19/20/43 NOTICEBOARD IN THE BUS SHELTER Clerk has chased Mr Meade for this. Cllr Tilbury was expecting to see him shortly and would raise the matter.
- 20/44 LAND ALONG THE NIDON CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE USE Cllr Tilbury reported that Cllr Heale had cleared a lot of rubbish, for which he was warmly thanked. Cllr Tilbury passed £50 to the Clerk for the sale of plastic tunnel hoops. It was agreed that the land on the west side should be a small nature reserve. The use of the land on the east remains to be considered further.

19/20/45 FINANCE

- a. Accounts check none available.
- b. <u>Bank signatories</u> Cllr Tilbury proposed and Cllr Heale seconded that "The authorised Signatories in the current mandate for the accounts detailed in section 1.3 of the bank's form (current and reserve accounts) be changed in accordance with the section 'authorised Signatories'. The current mandate in other respects to continue as existing. All the following to be signatories: Cllrs Tilbury, Heale, Gilbert, Olive and Vine and the Clerk, Julia Marshall." Carried.
- c. <u>Internal Audit report</u> the internal auditor affirmed that there were no matters to bring to the attention of the Council.
- d. External Audit Edington does not have to go through the full audit process because of its small turnover.
- e. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows:- Chq.857 J A Marshall (pay and expenses) £340.88; Chq.358 R Young (internal audit) £20.00; Chq.359 Came and Company (Insurance) £340.58.
- 19/20/46 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION-C&CD; Councillor training details had been circulated. All councillors were considering attending the training in Edington on 15th July from 7-9pm on Councillor Essentials.

19/20/47 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE - none.

19/20/48 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING - the grass cutting needs to take place.

19/20/49 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Thursday, 13th June at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

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- 19/20/50 PRESENT Clirs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heale, Gilbert and Vine.
- 19/20/51 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received and accepted from Clir Olive and CClir Huxtable.
- 19/20/52 ALSO PRESENT: 10 members of the public and DCllr Kingham.
- 19/20/53 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 19/20/54 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED DCllr Kingham declared an interest in planning as he is on the SDC Planning Committee.
- 19/20/55 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none.
- 19/20/56 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT DCllr Kingham said refurbishing work has started on seats in High Street and Fore Street, Bridgwater as the first part of a refurbishment scheme. Work has started on the new access road to Gravity (prev. ROF at Puriton). The road will be set into the hill so not too visible. A company called Suez who currently carry out refuse collection in East Devon will take over the Sedgemoor contract starting next April.
- 19/20/57 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT CCllr Huxtable had sent a report which the Clerk read. It will be attached to the minutes in the minute book.

19/20/58 HIGHWAYS -

- a. Any updates on previous problems
 - i. Speedwatch The Clerk is currently trying to arrange an on site training day.
 - ii. Nidon Lane road markings Clerk has chased this again and will continue to do so.
 - iii. <u>Chandlers Lane pole</u> was running well today but nobody had phoned the number given. If it was running in the morning the Clerk would phone as soon as possible.
 - iv. Broadmead Lane potholes done.
 - v. Watercourse outside The Great House Clerk has passed the message to Highways.
- b. <u>Problems arising and any other highway matters</u> none.
- 19/20/59 PRESENT- DCllr Kingham left the room for all planning matters.

19/20/60 PLANNING -

- a. 26/19/00001 The Walled Garden, Broadmead Lane erection of dwelling and swimming pool building, new doorway to the opening in the south wall and formation of parking area. Refurbish gardeners hut see below.
- b. 26/19/00002 The Walled Garden, Broadmead Lane erection of dwelling and swimming pool building, new doorway to the opening in the south wall and formation of parking area. Refurbish gardeners hut, Listed Building consent considered with above. The main areas of concern were traffic, access (incl getting construction materials/equipment on site), cars parked on Broadway, preservation of the walls, limited parking leading to problems of access and egress and the general conservation of the current site which is unique in the village and it was felt it should be retained. It is believed locally that there has not previously been an entrance on the South.
- c. 26/19/00003 Oakdene, Broadway extension Granted
- d. Any other planning matters inc. Grafton Lodge, Broadmead Lane (no update at 13/06/19)
- 19/20/61 PRESENT DCllr Kingham returned to the room.
- 19/20/62 FOOTPATHS Cllr Tilbury handed the Clerk £12 for a further sales of the footpath booklet. Cllr Olive had sent a written report which the Chairman read to the meeting.
- 19/20/63 NOTICEBOARD IN THE BUS SHELTER The Clerk, Cllr Tilbury and Cllr Vine would all chase this.
- 19/20/64 CONSIDERATION OF TREE PLANTING REQUEST the Council agreed to look into this and consider it at a future meeting.
- 19/20/65 LAND ALONG THE NIDON The land on the East side has been topped again and will be sprayed shortly. Natural England would be consulted with a view to possibly planting trees on West side.

19/20/66 FINANCE

- a. Accounts check accounts and statements had previously been circulated. Approved.
- b. <u>Clerk's salary new salary award agreed nationally</u> It was agreed that the Clerk should be paid on Scale 17 of the new scale categories.
- c. <u>Bank signatories</u> Clerk awaiting some additional information from new signatories.
- d. Cheques for signature were approved as follows:- Chq.864 J A Marshall (pay and expenses) £360.17; Chq.360 J A Marshall (PAYE refund PAYE having been paid directly by JAM and the refund made to EPC) £36.80; Chq.361 Axe Brue Drainage Board (drainage rates on Nidon land) £2.65; Chq.862 SALC (subscription) £105.30; Chq.863 Village Hall (Grant) £500.00; Chq.365 SDC (election expenses) £100.00.
- e. Any other financial matters VAT refund has been received. PAYE refund has been received (it should have been paid to J A Marshall). £12 received for footpath booklets.
- 19/20/67 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION- Fit for the Future; Men's Shed.
- 19/20/68 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE The Clerk gave councillors details of Code of Conduct training.
- 19/20/69 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING bike stand at bus shelter. A39 missed gaps in resurfacing. Dog bins.
- 19/20/70 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 11th July at 7.30pm. The meeting closed at 8.40pm

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- 19/20/71 PRESENT Cllrs Heale (in the Chair), Olive, Gilbert and Vine.
- 19/20/72 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received and accepted from Cllr Tilbury.
- 19/20/73 ALSO PRESENT: 4 members of the public, CCllr Huxtable and DCllr Kingham.
- 19/20/74 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 19/20/75 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED -DCllr Kingham declared an interest in planning as he is on the SDC Planning Committee.
- 19/20/76 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING were confirmed and signed.
- 19/20/77 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none.
- 19/20/78 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT DCllr Kingham reported on tree planting in Bridgwater. The link road between Taunton Road and Colley Lane is to be named - ideas for names to be submitted to SDC. Access roads to the old ROF site were discussed and DCllr Kingham agreed to keep the Council updated as and when he heard anything.
- 19/20/79 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT CCllr Huxtable mentioned his monthly reports covering a wide range of matters. The Clerk forwards these on to all councillors. The A39 night works is not progressing much with regard to some of the councillors being able to watch the operation. The section of road in question still remains to be resurfaced. Patching of roads was discussed. Resurfacing of the Burtle road towards the wood chipping factory near Westhay will be resurfaced.

19/20/80 HIGHWAYS -

- Any updates on previous problems
 - i. A39 covered in CCllr Huxtable's report.
 - ii. Speedwatch The Clerk had attended a coordinators meeting. She continues to press for the road side training.
 - iii. Nidon Lane road markings no update in spite of chasing this matter up. Clerk will chase again with a copy to David Huxtable.
 - iv. Chandlers Lane pole it still remains for an early call to be made to Jason Yeoman if anyone sees water coming up round the pole. This needs to be investigated while the water is actually breaking through.
 - v. Manor Road Closure to take place from 5th August. This appears to be for the laying of kerbing around the Catcott War Memorial.
- PRESENT CCllr Huxtable left the meeting. b.
- Problems arising and any other highway matters new grips need to be dug along the south section of Holywell Road to prevent water problems on the road in heavy rain. A problem with cars parked on the west side of Holywell Road at its junction with Chandlers Lane was reported. This is dangerous as cars have to pull out to pass and cannot see vehicles approaching from the north. It was also noted that some open fencing would be much safer than hedging on some of the other corners in the village.

19/20/81 PLANNING -

- 26/19/00001 The Walled Garden, Broadmead Lane erection of dwelling and swimming pool building, new doorway to the opening in the south wall and formation of parking area. Refurbish gardeners hut - withdrawn.
- 26/19/00002 The Walled Garden, Broadmead Lane erection of dwelling and swimming pool building, new doorway to the opening in the south wall and formation of parking area. Refurbish gardeners hut. Listed Building consent - withdrawn.
- PRESENT DCllr Kingham left the room. C.
- d. Grafton Lodge, Broadmead Lane - it was agreed to support this application.

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Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 11th July 2019 in Edington School Room at 7.30pm

- e. PRESENT DCllr Kingham returned to the room.
- f. Any other planning matters Report of Planning Training. Neighbourhood Plans were discussed.
- 19/20/82 FOOTPATHS Cllr Vine handed the Clerk £4 for sales of the footpath booklet. Cllr Olive has done a bit more clearance and work will continue.
- 19/20/83 NOTICEBOARD IN THE BUS SHELTER Cllr Vine reported that Mr Meade does not want to undertake this work. However, Cllr Vine has the matter in hand and enquired what exactly is wanted.
- 19/20/84 CONSIDERATION OF TREE PLANTING REQUEST It was agreed that the planting of trees is a very good idea. The Clerk had been in touch with Natural England who had said the Nidon land was SSSI and no trees are to be planted without consultation. There are areas adjacent to the highway which might also be suitable. Janette Burton at Sedgemoor DC would be contacted for advice on types of trees etc and a working party would be formed. Cllr Gilbert volunteered to take on that responsibility and would contact the necessary people. Highways would have to be consulted regarding the planting of any trees adjacent to the highway. Grants may be available from The Woodland Trust. The Working Party(which can include members of the public) not to take any action relating to any expense but to bring proposals back to the Parish Council for consideration.
 - 20/85 LAND ALONG THE NIDON A member of the public suggested that a laid hedge would be a suitable boundary for the area on the east side of the road. This would be borne in mind.

19/20/86 FINANCE

- a. Accounts check accounts and statements had previously been circulated. Approved. It was unanimously agreed to amalgamate the Environment Fund with the Nidon Land fund and any tree planting.
- b. <u>Bank signatories</u> The Clerk failed to get the form submitted over the internet in spite of trying at least eight times. She went into the bank who agreed to accept the form in hard copy provided the three new councillors went into a branch with their proofs of identity. A hard copy of the form was then signed again by all those present and the Clerk would take this to the bank once she had got Cllr Tilbury's signature. She would also take a photocopy of the relevant minute relating to the mandate.
- c. Cheques for signature were approved as follows:- Chq.866 JA Marshall (Clerk's pay and expenses July) £346.01; Chq.867 J A Marshall (Clerk's pay and expenses August) £322.47; Chq.868 Heart Safe (Defibrillator maintenance charge) £58.80; Chq.869 SALC (training) £30.00; Chq.870 D Gardner (topping the Nidon Land) £84.00.
- 1. Any other financial matters £4 received for footpath booklets.
- 19/20/87 REVIEW OF POLLING STATIONS Edington's arrangements are satisfactory on all counts.
- 19/20/88 CHANGES TO THE FIRE SERVICE it was agreed that Edington would be happy to join with Catcott to listen to a speaker about this matter. The meeting to take place at Catcott School Hall.
- 19/20/89 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION C&CD.
- 19/20/90 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none.
- 19/20/91 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING bike stand at bus shelter Cllr Gilbert would get some information for the September meeting. Dog bins as the cost would devolve on the village it was agreed not to pursue this as it was felt that those who currently do not pick up would not change their habits if bins were provided.
- 19/20/92 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 12th September at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

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- 19/20/93 PRESENT Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Olive, Heale, Gilbert and Vine.
- 19/20/94 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE none received.
- 19/20/95 ALSO PRESENT: 4 members of the public, CClir Huxtable and DClir Kingham.
- 19/20/96 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 19/20/97 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none.
- 19/20/98 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING were confirmed and signed,
- 19/20/99 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none.
- 19/20/100 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT DCllr Kingham provided a copy of the design of the new access road to the old RoF site. The Bridgwater jetty is now finished and operational. This should reduce the number of lorries on the A39. He spoke about an award of £3.6 billion to boost Sedgemoor but it seems this will really only benefit Bridgwater. A fly tipper in Sedgemoor has recently been fined £250. The green side of planning with particular reference to green energy and emissions was discussed.
- 19/20/101 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT CCllr Huxtable had no report to make.
- 19/20/102 HIGHWAYS Any updates on previous problems
 - i. <u>A39</u> an assurance had been given that all sections of the A39 would be resurfaced as funds permitted.
 - ii. <u>Speedwatch</u> this is now able to be operational with those who attended the training session. She is still pressing for more sites including Holywell Road north and near the chapel.
 - iii. Nidon Lane road markings CCllr Huxtable would take this up with Kathryn Tyson.
 - iv. <u>Chandlers Lane pole</u> it still remains for an early call to be made to Jason Yeoman if anyone sees water coming up round the pole. This needs to be investigated while the water is actually breaking through. Clerk to send his phone number to councillors again.
 - v. <u>Edington Road resurfacing</u> this has now taken place with a good result. Cllrs Tilbury, Heale and the Clerk had been able to witness the process. The Clerk was instructed to write thanking Highways for the work and for the visit.
 - vi. Holywell Road grips for water run-off It was felt this would be better dealt with after the hedges have been cut,
 - b. PRESENT CCllr Huxtable left the meeting.
 - Problems arising and any other highway matters Fly tipping near the pumping station was mentioned. DCllr Kingham would see this is dealt with.
- 19/20/103 PLANNING a) 26/19/00004 Grafton Lodge, Broadmead Lane granted.
 - b) Any other planning matters Clerk notified the Council of a consultation on planning permission for mobile phone masts.
- 19/20/104 FOOTPATHS Cllr Olive provided the Council with copies of a spreadsheet detailing the assets on all the paths and the state of them. This will be updated on a regular basis. At least half the issues reported to County have been resolved. Clerk to provide Cllr Olive with the Luttrell Trust's address.
- 19/20/105 APPOINTEE TO THE JAF LUTTRELL MEMORIAL CHARITY Ann Bassi's term of office is coming to an end and the Council needs to appoint someone to the position. Mrs Bassi is prepared to undertake this again and was re-elected.
- 19/20/106 CONSIDERATION OF TREE PLANTING REQUEST Unfortunately the working party had not met in the two month's since the last meeting so ideas were discussed now. There are grants available. Mrs Palmer alerted the meeting to the fact that one area where planting was considered is not suitable because there is tarmac under the grass. Cllr Tilbury mentioned that Mrs Palmer would shortly be leaving the village and the knowledge and help she has given over the years is much appreciated. There was a general recognition that the Parish should be doing all it can to promote more tree planting, even though there have been historical difficulties particularly with planting along verges. There were views expressed that the likes of Highways (verges) and Natural England should be challenged when they raise objections in the light of the urgent requirement of the whole planet to respond to climate change. It was noted that the greatest opportunity for tree planting lies with land owners and that they will not be restricted by highways or potential historical regulations. However, no decision was made as to the best way of engaging with them. The Clerk would try to arrange a site meeting for the Council to meet with Lucy Topham of Natural England to discuss tree planting on the East Nidon Land.
- 19/20/107 LAND ALONG THE NIDON covered in the above discussion. The ground has been topped again.
- 19/20/108 FINANCE a) Accounts check accounts and statements had previously been circulated. Approved.
 - b) Bank signatories None of the three new signatories had been to the bank. All would try to do so before the next meeting.
 - c) <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows:- Chq.871 JA Marshall (Clerk's pay and expenses July) £337.11; Chq.872 Sedgemoor District Council (grass cutting) £77.04; Chq.873 Paul Dobbs (noticeboard repairs) £49.66; Chq.874 AED Locator Ltd (replacement pack incl batteries for defibrillator) £108.90.
 - d) Any other financial matters £9 received for footpath booklets (Cream Teas). £20 received for booklets (Gwilliams). A thank you for their grant had been received from the Village Hall.
- 19/20/109 CHANGES TO THE FIRE SERVICE Clerk had been unable to arrange a meeting in time.
- 19/20/110 BIKE STAND AT BUS SHELTER Cllr Vine hoped to be able to provide one to take possibly four bikes. A disclaimer notice is advised.
- 19/20/111 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION C&CD; SALC AGM; Cluster meeting.
- 19/20/112 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none.
- 19/20/113 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING street name plates.
- 19/20/114 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 10th October at 7.30pm (Cllr Olive gave apologies). The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Chairman Date 10 to Octobe 2019

- 19/20/115 PRESENT Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Vine, Heale and Gilbert.
- 19/20/116 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received and accepted from Cllr Olive and CCllr Huxtable.
- 19/20/117 ALSO PRESENT: 3 members of the public and DCllr Kingham.
- 19/20/118 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 19/20/119 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none.
- 19/20/120 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING were confirmed and signed.
- 19/20/121 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED A registration number of a car is currently being checked by SDC with regard to fly tipping.
- 19/20/122 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** DCllr Kingham said the annual budget consultation is now under way. The £1.3m for drainage boards had been queried but they have an essential but very varied job. He also reported on planning for the new cinema in Bridgwater and new recycling arrangements for the new financial year.
- 19/20/123 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT CCllr Huxtable was not present but reported that Kat Tyson will prioritise the Nidon Lane and Bridge road markings.

19/20/124 HIGHWAYS -

- a. Any updates on previous problems
 - i. <u>Speedwatch</u> this is now operational and a report had been forwarded to all councillors. There is still a struggle to get additional sites accepted.
 - ii. Nidon Lane road markings Covered in County Councillor's report.
 - iii. Chandlers Lane pole no update.
 - iv. Holywell Road grips for water run-off Cllr Heale would undertake this once the hedges had been cut.
 - v. Street name plates The Church Road plate at the Broadmead Lane end needs repainting. The Clerk will report this.
- b. <u>Problems arising and any other highway matters</u> Some large trees adjacent to the highway opposite Wayside and Nidon Cottages on Nidon Lane are causing concern. The Clerk will write to Highways and a landowner.

19/20/125 PLANNING -

- No new applications have been registered.
- b. Any other planning matters Clerk reminded the Council of a consultation on planning permission for mobile phone masts.
- 19/20/126 FOOTPATHS The Catcott Liaison Officer had asked for Edington's contact person and had sent him the necessary details.
- 19/20/127 NIDON LAND AND TREE PLANTING A member of the public had provided a few suggestions in writing which the Clerk had copied to all councillors. He also supplied graphic layouts. The Clerk had persuaded Natural England to allow some tree planting on the land provided an official form was completed and agreement then obtained. Council agreed that the ongoing maintenance (trees, ditches, ground cover), particularly in the early years, would need to be carefully regulated. The councillors would consider this matter prior to further discussion at the next meeting. Cllr Heale was thanked for topping the East plot a couple of times which kept it under control. It was agreed that the West plot was fulfilling the required specification without any intervention and would be left as it is. The Clerk would complete the form required by Natural England to get official consent for the scheme. Two villagers each offered £100 towards the scheme.

19/20/128 FINANCE -

- a. Accounts check The Clerk provided copies of the accounts for the councillors and had the bank statements with her. Approved.
- b. <u>Bank signatories</u> All three new councillors had now been to the bank. The Clerk suggested that the two new signatories present should sign her cheque and the other two councillors should sign the other cheque. Agreed.
- c. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows:- Chq.875 JA Marshall (Clerk's pay and expenses October) £328.95; Chq.876 AED Locator Ltd (replacement cheque for Chq.868).
- d. Any other financial matters £54.45 received from Catcott towards the costs of the defibrillator.
- 19/20/129 BIKE STAND AT BUS SHELTER Cllr Vine reported that the bike stand would be available. A sign would be required absolving the Council of any loss or damage.
- 19/20/130 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION** the Clerk provided details of the emptying costs for dog waste bins. Members of the public who did not own dogs objected to paying council tax for this purpose. To be discussed at the next meeting. Cllr Heale gave a brief report of the last Cluster meeting.
- 19/20/131 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none.
- 19/20/132 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Dog waste bins.
- 19/20/133 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 14th November at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Chairman Date

Date 14th November 2019

- 19/20/134 PRESENT Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Vine, Heale, Olive and Gilbert.
- 19/20/135 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE none received.
- 19/20/136 ALSO PRESENT: 3 members of the public, CCllr Huxtable and DCllr Kingham.
- 19/20/137 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 19/20/138 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none.
- 19/20/139 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING were confirmed and signed.
- 19/20/140 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none.
- 19/20/141 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** DCllr Kingham reported that SDC has been awarded Gold for Investing in People. The electoral team are very busy. Some of the usual polling stations won't be available.
- 19/20/142 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT CCllr Huxtable reported on the purdah period which precedes all elections. He was surprised that nothing had happened about the Nidon Lane road markings as Ms Tyson had intimated that these would be done.

19/20/143 HIGHWAYS -

- a. Any updates on previous problems
 - i. Speedwatch Cllr Olive reported that three people have been caught. Two more sites have now been approved.
 - ii. Nidon Lane road markings Covered in County Councillor's report.
 - iii. <u>Chandlers Lane pole</u> Water has been running and Jason Yeoman came to witness it and agreed that the problem was BT's. The Clerk was instructed to contact Mr Yeoman to find out what BT are doing to remedy the situation.
 - iv. Holywell Road grips for water run-off Cllr Heale would undertake this once the hedges had been cut.
 - v. <u>Street name plates</u> The Clerk has reported the need to repaint the Church Road nameplate. The Broadway sign near the Chapel also needs repainting.
 - vi. <u>Trees opposite Wayside Cottage and Nidon Cottage</u> The Clerk reported that following her letter the landowner's daughter had contacted her. They do not believe they are responsible for one of the trees. The Clerk has asked Mr Gill if he can meet with all parties on site but Mr Gill is currently away. Mr Rigler would give CCllr Huxtable a copy of a letter concerning this.
- b. Problems arising and any other highway matters none.

19/20/144 PLANNING - No new applications

- a. <u>Any other planning matters</u> Clerk reminded the Council of the training on 28th November, now at The Canalside, Bridgwater. Start time 6pm. Cllrs Vine, Olive, Tilbury and Heale will be attending.
- 19/20/145 **FOOTPATHS** Cllr Olive said he has reported two or three issues which have not yet been sorted. A letter about a kissing gate has been sent to the Luttrell Estate.
- 19/20/146 DOG WASTE BINS the Clerk was instructed to find out all the costs involved and the frequency of emptying.
- 19/20/147 BULBS the Clerk collected the bulbs and delivered them to Cllr Heale. Some have already been planted.
 - /20/148 NIDON LAND AND TREE PLANTING The Clerk had experienced problems submitting the form to Natural England but hoped that it had now got to them safely. She also reported on 'Trees for Somerset' (to be considered on 17th December at SDC full Council) which a member of the public was able to explain in greater detail. It was agreed that the adoption of a tree policy by Edington Parish Council should be considered at the next meeting.

19/20/149 FINANCE -

- a. Accounts check The Clerk had previously circulated councillors with up to date accounts and statements. Approved.
- b. Cheques for signature were approved as follows:- Chq.877 JA Marshall (Clerk's pay and expenses November) £334.69.
- c. Any other financial matters none.
- 19/20/150 BIKE STAND AT BUS SHELTER we now have a stand for four bikes. Cllr Vine will sort the provision of a disclaimer sign.
- 19/20/151 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION C&CD; Cluster meeting on 26th November at Woolavington 7pm; Broadband; General election.
- 19/20/152 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none.
- 19/20/153 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Tree policy for Edington; VE Day celebrations 8-10May 2020. It was also agreed to look into sourcing a supply of large poppies.
- 19/20/154 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 12th December at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Chairman Date 12th December 2019

- 19/20/155 PRESENT Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Vine, Heale, Olive and Gilbert.
- 19/20/156 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE received from CCllr Huxtable
- 19/20/157 ALSO PRESENT: 3 members of the public and DCllr Kingham.
- 19/20/158 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 19/20/159 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED** Cllrs Tilbury, Heale and Olive declared an interest in Edington School Room as they are Trustees. DCllr Kingham declared an interest in planning.
- 19/20/160 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING were confirmed and signed.
- 19/20/161 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none.
- 19/20/162 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** DCllr Kingham reported that all has been quiet at Sedgemoor. Additional Council houses have been purchased. He also reported on Hinkley Point.
- 19/20/163 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT CCllr Huxtable's regular written report had been received.

19/20/164 HIGHWAYS -

- a. Any updates on previous problems
 - i. <u>Speedwatch</u> Cllr Olive reported the two additional sites approved have still to be confirmed as active.
 - ii. Nidon Lane road markings no update.
 - iii. <u>Chandlers Lane pole</u> The Clerk had spoken to Mr Yeoman who confirmed that BT accepts responsibility but there will be a delay before any action is taken as they will need to get a road closure, permission to open the manhole and to bore a channel to drain the water away.
 - iv. Holywell Road grips for water run-off these seem to be working at present and it was agreed to wait until it is a bit drier.
 - v. <u>Street name plates</u> It was unknown whether the Church Road sign has been repainted. There is a need to check the one by the Chapel as well.
 - vi. Trees opposite Wayside Cottage and Nidon Cottage The Clerk will try again to arrange a meeting with MrGill.
- b. Problems arising and any other highway matters none.

19/20/165 PLANNING -

- a. No new applications however, two had come in since the agenda went out. The Clerk would respond to the application for a storage cupboard in the School Room. Councillors would look at the application for the Old Hospital and give the Clerk their feedback. The Clerk provided Cllr Heale with a printout of all the details and plans for this application.
- b. Any other planning matters none.
- 19/20/166 **FOOTPATHS** Cllr Olive said there had been no further issues and no action taken on those issues already highlighted. A new officer is to be appointed at SCC.
- 19/20/167 **DOG WASTE BINS** the Clerk gave details of the costs involved both in initial purchasing and in regular emptying. Following discussion it was decided to get two. One to be sited where footpath 14/5 meets the Broadway and the other in the vicinity of Chandlers Lane and Broadmead Lane(path 14/28; Pumping Station). No action to be taken until Highways has granted approval of the sites.
- 19/20/168 TREE POLICY FOR EDINGTON AND TREE PLANTING ON NIDON LAND The Clerk provided copies of a draft policy based on that previously provided. Councillors would take it away for consideration prior to the next meeting. It was agreed that a member of the public would get 105 trees from the Woodland Trust and look into the purchasing of sufficient stakes and protection.
- 19/20/169 **VE DAY CELEBRATIONS 8-10 MAY 2020** Agreed in principle at join with Chilton Polden and Catcott. To be discussed fully in January.
- 19/20/170 LARGE POPPIES FOR REMEMBRANCE The Clerk said she would be able to get these for a donation of £10 each. It was agreed to get ten of them for £100.

19/20/171 FINANCE -

- a. Accounts check The Clerk had previously circulated councillors with up to date accounts and statements. Approved.
- b. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows:- Chq.878 JA Marshall (Clerk's pay and expenses) £328,54; Chq.879 J A Marshall (½ SLCC subscription) £63.00.
- c. Any other financial matters none.
- 19/20/172 BIKE STAND AT BUS SHELTER Cllrs Heale and Tilbury to meet on site regarding installation. A sign will be needed.
- 19/20/173 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION Rural Funding; Somerset Waste Partnership; Climate drop ins (to be forwarded again to councillors).
- 19/20/174 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE An anonymous note had been received by the Chairman to be forwarded to Highways.
- 19/20/175 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Tree policy for Edington; VE Day celebrations 8-10May 2020.
- 19/20/176 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** Thursday, 9th January 2020 at 7.30pm (the Clerk warned councillors that she would need to get the agenda out extra early).

Date 9th January 2020

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

Chairman