- 15/16/266 CLEANUP Cllr Tilbury reported that this had been very successful with 14 volunteers and 15 bags of rubbish collected. In the past it had been agreed the cost of refreshments should always be met by the Council and a cheque would be made out later.
- 15/16/267 **POLDEN POST PARISH COUNCIL CONTENT -** Cllr Tilbury said he was unhappy that because of some editing the exact meaning of some items was changed somewhat. He had attended a meeting of the Polden Post and suggested that describing the various reports as edited draft minutes was inaccurate as some councils submitted reports rather than draft minutes. Following discussion tonight it was agreed that the Polden Post should consider asking for reports of no more than xxx words. It was agreed that the Clerk should do a report for the Council in the future starting with this meeting. The deadline for each month is 15th.
- 15/16/268 **WEBSITE** additional photos of the village and photos of councillors are still required. It was agreed not to accede to a request for a link on the website. It was noted that the Village Agent fulfilled the same role as the link.

#### 15/16/269 FINANCE

- a. <u>Accounts check</u> when the statements arrived the Clerk sent councillors a copy of the up to date accounts and the statements.
   The accounts were approved.
- b. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows chqs.754&755 Clerk's pay and expenses £318.68; chq.556 Information Commissioner (Data Protection) £35.00; chq.557 R Tilbury (cleanup refreshments) £12.90; chq758 Land Registry (search) £4.00.
- c. <u>Bank Mandate</u> The Clerk reported that she now had to get the forms in person from a bank. She had been in to the Street branch but had come away without getting them as the queue was so long and she couldn't spare any more time. Cllr Tilbury said he would try to get the forms.
- d. <u>Any other financial matters for information</u> <u>Queen Elizabeth II 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration medal</u> the Clerk would email the details to councillors.
- 15/16/270 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC Cluster meeting report Cllrs Tilbury had attended along with Cllrs. Heale, Marshall and Coakeley. There had been a prolonged Local Plan update. The request for RLT3 funds submitted by Shapwick Cricket Club had been rejected again. It was noted that the Grants Committee at Sedgemoor could still award the grant to the club.

### 15/16/271 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION -

- a. Circulation Police Newsletter; Clerks and Councils Direct.
- b. <u>Defibrillator monitoring</u> Cllr Tilbury reported that he had seen Mrs Robertson who had agreed to continue this duty. Item to be put on the next agenda 'Defibrillator check backup'.
- 15/16/272 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none
- 15/16/273 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Defibrillator check backup.
- 15/16/274 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 14th April 2016 at 7.30pm.
- The other member of the public had left shortly beforehand.

  RESOLUTION "TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC IN VIEW OF THE SENSITIVE NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED" This was proposed by Cllr Tilbury, seconded by Cllr Heale and carried unanimously. One member of the public with special knowledge and the District Councillor were invited to remain. The other member of the public had left shortly beforehand.

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- 15/16/253 PRESENT: Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heale, Marshall, Coakeley and Gilbert
- 15/16/254 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE -were received from CCllr Huxtable who was double booked
- 15/16/255 ALSO PRESENT: 2 members of the public and DCllr Kingham
- 15/16/256 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council
- 15/16/257 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED: none
- 15/16/258 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed
- 15/16/259 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none
- 15/16/260 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT DCllr Kingham reported on the budget. Council Tax would show an increase this year. Because of reduced grants from central Government Sedgemoor are looking at the possibility of working with South Somerset to reduce some of the costs.
- 15/16/261 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT none

#### 15/16/262 HIGHWAYS

- a. <u>Any updates on previous problems</u> Cllr Heale had met with Gary Warren when several of the following matters had been looked at.
  - i. <u>Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane</u> The Clerk had not received a helpful reply from Highways regarding the time limit imposed on BT. However, it was reported at the meeting that in spite of the heavy rain there had been no water coming out.
  - ii. <u>Corner of Holywell Road opposite Chandlers Lane</u> Five reflective posts to be installed around the inside of the bend.
  - iii. Speedwatch no update
  - iv. <u>Post codes for Suprema Estate and Suprema Avenue</u> It is still not known whether the post code change for Suprema Estate has gone or is going ahead. The Clerk would again endeavour to find out. She would also suggest that as the one provided by Royal Mail took people either to Loxley Wood or The Albion Inn car park it would be better to have one similar to a more local post code.
  - v. <u>Heavy traffic down Holywell Road</u> More damage fairly consistently takes place and various ideas were put forward. The sign on the A39 before the Edington junction directing Suprema traffic to carry straight on is insignificant and often a bit overgrown so that drivers miss seeing it. A sign part way down Holywell Road indicating that traffic should turn right at the crossroads was suggested as was a larger sign on the left of the entrance to Suprema Estate which would help prevent so many drivers carrying on past the entrance. An advance sign at the Village Hall would also help. The Chairman would write to Mr Gwilliam regarding the damage which the HGVs cause to the verges which are becoming destroyed. The Clerk was instructed to write to Andrew Turner of Highways asking him to come out and see the problem.

# b. Matters arising -

- i. <u>Reflective signs on The Nidon and Holywell Road</u> Two reflective posts to be installed on inside of bend where the ditch is exposed and there is no verge. Eighteen to be installed through bends near Broadmead Lane to advise of the deep ditch. Highways will also refurbish the edge of the carriageway line which has deteriorated. Mr Warren suggested a 50/50 split for the cost of the works but gave no indication of what that cost might be. The Clerk would try to get this information.
- ii. <u>Broadmead Lane</u> the area opposite the end of Church Road needs some posts or infill for safety reasons as the road edge has nothing beyond it.
- iii. <u>Holy Well bend</u> the reflective posts opposite the Holy Well need to be replaced as there is currently nothing to protect the wall.
- iv. <u>Finger post signs</u> The Clerk had received a communication indicating that the old cast finger posts will be maintained in the future. Help in identifying them is likely to be required in due course.
- v. Markers opposite the Great House these have disappeared and need replacing.

## 15/16/263 PLANNING -

- a. There were no applications for consideration or report
- b. Any other planning matters none
- 15/16/264 **RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS -** Cllr Marshall gave a brief report. Chilton Polden had been informed of a problem on one their footpaths.
- 15/16/265 PILLAR BARN ROOF was not repaired by the end of February as the owner had said it would be. Clerk instructed to report this to SDC.

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- c. <u>Update on proposed development boundaries</u> DCllr Kingham reported that when all the data had been put together it would go to full Council at SDC, probably not until March or April.
- d. Any other planning matters none
- 15/16/240 **RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS** Cllr Marshall reported on two ongoing problems. In addition there are two dicey stiles on the path from the White Hart to the A39. The Clerk would inform Chilton Polden of this.
- 15/16/241 **PILLAR BARN ROOF** The Clerk had received a letter from Mr Croker, the owner, who will be undertaking the necessary repairs during February.
- 15/16/242 **DEFIBRILLATOR MONITORING** Cllr Tilbury and Mrs Robertson currently undertake this task. Cllr Gilbert offered to join in as well and this offer was gratefully accepted.
- 15/16/243 **CLEANUP** Cllr Tilbury reported that he was speaking to everyone who had participated in the past so that they were aware of the event. It was agreed that he should produce a few leaflets which a member of the public offered to deliver to newcomers to the village who might like to join in. There was some concern on safety grounds regarding children joining in with the event as they would not be fully insured.
- 15/16/244 TREES IN MANOR ROAD AND AT THE HOLY WELL this is under way in Manor Road. Cllr Tilbury had looked at the tree at the Holy Well and reported that because of its lean it would fall away from the road and it was felt that anyway it would be safe for the time being.
- 15/16/245 **LAND REGISTRY POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF LAND ALONG THE NIDON -** Cllr Gilbert had spoken to the Land Registry regarding the search of the index map. A new search is required for which a fee of £4 is payable.
- 15/16/246 WEBSITE additional photos of the village and photos of councillors are still required.
- 15/16/247 FINANCE
  - a. Accounts check when the statements arrived the Clerk sent councillors a copy of the up to date accounts and the statements. She had a couple of hard copies with her for those who had not seen them. The accounts were approved.
  - b. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows Chq.751&752 Clerk's pay and expenses (including an additional £5 as one of the computer accessories had to be changed at a slight additional cost) £308.97; Chq.753 Land Registry (new map index search) £4.00.
  - c. Any other financial matters for information
    - i. <u>Statement dates</u> the Clerk had received a communication from the bank stating that unless otherwise advised the statement dates would be changed to 5<sup>th</sup> of each month. The Clerk had responded that we wish to keep the date as 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.
    - ii. Bank signatories the bank mandate needs to be changed. The Clerk will get the necessary forms.
- 15/16/248 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC next Cluster meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> February at Woolavington when the Cricket Club's request for a grant from RLT3 funds will again be considered. The Parish Council again considered this application in view of fresh information received. Council was divided as to which way to vote and it was agreed that those undecided should make up their minds at the Cluster meeting itself. The Chairman would be there and would vote accordingly.
- .5/16/249 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION email about better statistics and a police press review.
- 15/16/250 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none
- 15/16/251 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING remove Trees in Manor Road and the Holy Well.
- 15/16/252 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 10th March 2016 at 7.30pm

The meeting ended at 9.30pm

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- 15/16/228 PRESENT: Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heale, Marshall, Coakeley and Gilbert
- 15/16/229 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE none
- 15/16/230 ALSO PRESENT: 6 members of the public, CCllr Huxtable and DCllr Kingham
- 15/16/231 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council
- 15/16/232 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED: none
- 15/16/233 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed
- 15/16/234 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED
  - a. <u>Notice boards in the bus shelter</u> it was noted by both the Clerk and a member of the public that the new noticeboards in the bus shelter are so hard that it is impossible to get pins in properly. Cllr Tilbury would look at this.
  - b. Parish Council Representative on the School Room it was agreed that Cllr Heale should again be appointed.
- 15/16/235 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** DCllr Kingham reported that it is budget time and SDC are getting increasingly less financial support from Government. The New Homes fund has helped to mitigate this problem but there will be a 3.6% rise in Sedgemoor's Council Tax which equates to about £5 per year on a band D property.
- 15/16/236 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** CCllr Huxtable reported that although the County had frozen its Council Tax for the last six years it how had to increase it. The increase would include amounts for Adult Social Services and the Somerset River Authority. The rise will be a bit more that 5% and would result in a noticeable increase in the annual payment. The Government expects County Councils to be self sufficient financially by 2020.

#### 15/16/237 HIGHWAYS

- a. Any updates on previous problems
  - i. <u>Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane</u> CCllr Huxtable was updated on this and the contents of Mr Gill's email of 20<sup>th</sup> January were read. It is not known what timescale Highways have put on BT for sorting the problem out.
  - ii. <u>Kerbing on the corner of Holywell Road opposite Chandlers Lane</u> It is not the kerbing but the general problem at this corner which is cause for concern. CCllr Huxtable was updated on this.
  - iii. Speedwatch no update
  - iv. <u>Post codes for Suprema Estate and Suprema Avenue</u> If the given post code of TA7 9BF is put into sat navs at present it does not take them to the correct destination, destinations reached including Loxley Wood and The Albion. It would be some time before the new post code became effective on sat navs. The Clerk would try to find out whether the change was still going ahead or whether it had been stopped.
  - v. <u>Heavy traffic down Holywell Road</u> CCllr Huxtable was brought up to date with the current situation, there having been several problems recently. Weight restriction signs were discussed but as these apply "except for access" they would not help a lot. The latest damage has been at the junction of Holywell Road and Church Road where an HGV dislodged the retaining wall of the ditch opposite Church Road which has moved towards the water course and coping stones have fallen into the ditch. Highways have inspected the site and say the work will be done by the end of March and will include reinstatement of the verge and installation of marker posts. Cllr Gilbert will call on the firm for whom the delivery was intended and ask who delivered that day. The driver was believed to be Polish.
  - vi. Broadmead Lane Highways will monitor the condition of Broadmead Lane.
  - vii. <u>Reflective signs on The Nidon and Holywell Road</u> Highways have replied that there are some reflective markers and that the location on The Nidon "is not considered a safety concern at the present time. However, Planned Safety Inspections will continue to be carried out." CCllr Huxtable suggested that the parish council might consider purchasing some reflective markers for installation.
  - viii. <u>Church Road Layby</u> it was noted that problems still exist but the householder present mentioned that the bin men move the stones and it was also reported that a tractor and trailer had recently been seen to run over the verge at this point.
- b. Matters arising none
- 15/16/238 PRESENT CCllr Huxtable left the meeting

#### 15/16/239 PLANNING -

a. 26/15/00014 - retention of raised pitched roof at Corndean, Broadmead Lane - granted

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b. 26/15/00015 - erection of single storey annexe to SE elevation on site of existing outbuildings (to be demolished) Broadmead
 <u>Farm</u> - granted

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# **EDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 11th February 2016 in Edington School Room at 7.30pm

It was noted at the meeting that a new structure had appeared on the East side of The Nidon. A member of the public volunteered to look at it to see what it is.

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- ii. <u>Home run businesses</u> a query as to whether or not the system had been changed had been received by the Clerk. DCllr Kingham said that no changes had taken place. The Clerk was instructed to write to SDC asking that the parish councils should be notified at the same time as the district councillor is.
- 15/16/216 **RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS PROBLEMS ARISING AND UPDATES -** Cllr Marshall reported on two problems.
- 15/16/217 **PILLAR BARN ROOF** the Clerk had now written twice to the owner but had received no response. She was instructed to inform Sedgemoor now.
- 15/16/218 **CLEANUP CLEAN FOR THE QUEEN -** It was agreed to arrange the cleanup for 28<sup>th</sup> February. Clerk to check with insurance regarding upper and lower age limits. Cllr Tilbury to arrange for the equipment to be available.
- 15/16/219 **TREES IN MANOR ROAD** Cllr Gilbert would speak to a relation of the owner. It was noted that the willow at the Holy Well is also probably in need of attention and this is the Parish Council's responsibility.
- 15/16/220 **LAND REGISTRY POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF LAND ALONG THE NIDON -** Cllr Gilbert had printed out the paperwork before losing her internet. She updated the meeting on the situation.
- 15/16/221 WEBSITE ADDITIONAL PHOTOS OF THE VILLAGE AND PHOTOS OF COUNCILLORS the Clerk had not yet received any photos from anyone.

#### 15/16/222 FINANCE

- a. Accounts check the Clerk provided copies of the accounts and bank statements for all councillors. These were approved.
- b. New Laptop Arrangements to Purchase and New Email Account the Clerk reported that the applied for grant had now been received £249.97. She had liaised with the Chairman and bought a laptop from PC World for £249.99. This included VAT. The balance of £41.65 would be used for software or accessories. The Clerk reported that she had been having a lot of trouble with the existing email account and once the new laptop was up and running would change to a gmail account which she has already obtained. It was noted some laptop accessories would be required.
- c. <u>Cheques for signature</u> chq.745 Keith Lowe £29.40 (replacement manure drag); chq.746 CR and SL Pople (winter service highway gritter) £120.00; Chq.747&748 (Clerk's pay and expenses) £311.47; PC World (via JA Marshall) £249.99 (new laptop).
- d. Future audit provision it was agreed not to opt out of the recommended scheme.
- e. <u>Bus Shelter grant received from Polden Post</u> a grant of £200 towards the cost of the bus shelter refurbishment had been received.
- f. <u>Cluster's reconsideration of requested grant for Shapwick & Poldens Cricket Club</u> SDC had asked all parishes in the Poldens cluster to reconsider this. The matter was discussed but it was agreed to continue to vote against it. The vote will take place at the next Cluster meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> February.
- g. Any other financial matters for information none
- 15/16/223 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC none
- 15/16/224 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION C&CD
- 15/16/225 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none
- 15/16/226 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING any update on the proposed development boundary changes
- 15/16/227 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 11th February 2016 at 7.30pm

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- 15/16/204 PRESENT: Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heale, Marshall and Gilbert
- 15/16/205 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from CCllr Huxtable
- 15/16/206 ALSO PRESENT: 6 members of the public and DCllr Kingham
- 15/16/207 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council
- 15/16/208 CO-OPTION TO FILL CASUAL VACANCY The Clerk advised that no election had been requested and sufficient time had elapsed for the vacancy to be filled by co-option. Cllr Tilbury proposed Mark Coakeley, seconded by Cllr Heale and carried unanimously. Cllr Coakeley joined the meeting and signed his declaration of acceptance of office which was witnessed by the Clerk.
- 15/16/209 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED** Cllr Heale disclosed a personal interest in agenda item 8c and a prejudicial interest in 8b.
- 15/16/210 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed
- 15/16/211 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none
- 15/16/212 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT -** DCllr Kingham reported that SDC are currently involved in budget setting. He would speak on home run businesses later in the meeting.
- 15/16/213 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT -** The Clerk advised the meeting of the report made by CCllr Huxtable at the Catcott meeting on Tuesday. The main point was the anticipated rise of 5% or more in the Council Tax.

#### 15/16/214 HIGHWAYS

- a. Any updates on previous problems
  - i. Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane no further news. The Clerk had reminded Liam Gill.
  - ii. Kerbing on the corner of Holywell Road opposite Chandlers Lane The Clerk is pressing for a meeting
  - iii. <u>Speedwatch</u> Cllr Gilbert had been without either phone or internet for a couple of weeks so had not progressed the matter. It was agreed that a session would be held using existing manpower and existing sites. The PCSO may be able to attend.
  - iv. <u>Post codes for Suprema Estate and Suprema Avenue</u> the Clerk had been unable to progress this as she had neither the post code allocated nor any Royal Mail reference. She was given the post code of TA7 9BF. Cllr Tilbury would put this in his sat nav and see what happens.
  - v. <u>Heavy traffic down Holywell Road</u> This has now been passed to the Traffic Team at County. Cllr Gilbert had witnessed a lorry causing damage to the verge on the south east corner of the crossroads on Broadway. Details were given to the Clerk for forwarding on to County.
  - vi. <u>Church Road</u> the reported defect will be added to a future patching programme and planned safety inspections will continue.

## b. Matters arising -

- i. <u>Reflective posts and dangerous ditch</u> there are several areas in the village where there have been reflective posts and which are now short of them. The most dangerous area is on Nidon Lane opposite the houses just to the south of the bridge. Several of the posts are missing and the ditch is no ordinary one but is exceptionally large and deep.
- ii. <u>Broadmead Lane</u> this road is in a terrible state and the Clerk was instructed to write to Highways to ensure it is included in future regular safety checks.

## 15/16/215 PLANNING -

- a. 26/15/00013 erect extension and elevation at Hill Farm Bungalow granted
- b. 26/15/00014 retention of raised pitched roof at Corndean, Broadmead Lane no update
- c. 26/15/00015 erection of single storey annexe to SE elevation on site of existing outbuildings (to be demolished) at Broadmead Farm following discussion it was agreed to support the application
- d. Any other planning matters
  - i. <u>Verge opposite Little Haven</u> Cllr Heale would make the intended call to explain the situation.

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- 15/16/194 TREES IN MANOR ROAD Cllr Heale had no update.
- 15/16/195 **SUBSIDISED AND DISCRETIONARY BUS FARES** the Clerk reminded everybody that any responses need to be made by 11<sup>th</sup> January.
- 15/16/196 LAND REGISTRY POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF LAND ALONG THE NIDON Cllr Tilbury asked if anybody else had time to take this on as he is currently so busy. Cllr Gilbert volunteered and the paperwork was handed to her.
- 15/16/197 **WEBSITE** the Clerk reported had recently added several files relating to the proposed development boundary changes. Cllr Gilbert had taken several new photos which she would send to the Clerk for inclusion. If councillors would let her have a picture of themselves she would also add that to the website to go with their details.

## 15/16/198 FINANCE

- a. <u>Set Precept for 2016-2017</u> Following discussion it was agreed to set the precept at £7000. This was proposed by Cllr Tilbury and seconded by Cllr Heale.
- b. <u>Accounts check</u> The bank statements had arrived on Wednesday and the Clerk provided up to date account sheets which were approved.
- c. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows Chq.741 SLCC (½ cost of subscription) £59.00; Chq.742 SDC (grass cutting) £96.30; Chqs.743&744 (Clerk's salary and expenses) £315.38.
- d. Any other financial matters for information
  - i. Catcott had reimbursed the Council for half the cost of installing the defibrillator;
  - ii. Future audit provision (to be discussed at next meeting);
  - iii. SALC Transparency Code Training the Council agreed to share the cost with Catcott Parish Council;
  - iv. <u>Polden Post grant</u> of £200 towards the cost of the bus shelter repairs the Clerk was instructed to contact Sue Nicholson of the Polden Post as it is understood that the Council has been awarded a grant of £200 and to let her know that the work has been carried out to the Council's satisfaction.
- 15/16/199 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC none not otherwise covered.
- 15/16/200 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION Clerks and Councils Direct.
- 15/16/201 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none
- 15/16/202 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Future Audit provision.
- 15/16/203 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 14th January 2016 at 7.30pm

The meeting finished at 8.55pm and was followed by festive refreshments.

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- 15/16/181 PRESENT: Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heale, Marshall and Gilbert
- 15/16/182 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received and accepted from Cllr Robertson
- 15/16/183 **RESIGNATION** The Chairman informed the meeting that Cllr Robertson had resigned from the Council for personal reasons and that there would now be a vacancy. The due process would need to take place but the Council would be pleased to hear from anyone who would be interested in joining the Council.
- 15/16/184 ALSO PRESENT: 9 members of the public and DCllr Kingham
- 15/16/185 IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk to the Parish Council
- 15/16/186 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED** none. The Clerk had come provided with dispensation sheets regarding the Local Development Framework and asked if Cllrs Tilbury and Gilbert wished to apply. They felt that the matter should be discussed as a whole and that they would remain and take part in the debate.
- 15/16/187 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were approved and signed as a true record
- 15/16/188 **UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED -** Cllr Marshall drew the Clerk's attention to the fact that his post code was wrong on the website. The Clerk would amend this.
- 15/16/189 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** DCllr Kingham reported on Sedgemoor's recent Performance Report covering such matters as Efficiency and value; recycling and carbon reduction; service standards; training and apprentices. He also mentioned that the Somerset River Authority is dredging a further 8km of the Parrett and maintaining an existing 2.2km. The spoil will be placed on the banks to raise their level.

#### 15/16/190 HIGHWAYS

- a. Any updates on previous problems
  - i. <u>Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane</u> At the last meeting it was reported that Highways had sent a letter threatening BT with charges if they fail to take action to satisfactorily remedy the situation. Nothing has happened so far and the Clerk was instructed to chase this matter up.
  - ii. <u>Kerbing on the corner of Holywell Road opposite Chandlers Lane</u> The Clerk had written to insist on a site meeting. So far there had been no response.
  - iii. Speedwatch Cllr Gilbert is waiting for Sgt David Smith to get back to her.
  - iv. <u>Post codes for Suprema Estate and Suprema Avenue</u> Cllr Tilbury will copy documents the Clerk needs in order to chase Royal Mail up about this. It also appears that the post code provided takes people to the Albion Inn on the A39.
  - v. <u>Church Road surface</u> There is at last some progress but the dangerous bit outside the Church has not been marked.
  - vi. <u>Heavy traffic down Holywell Road</u> There was still no response from Highways with regard to this. Clerk to chase.
- b. Matters arising
  - i. <u>Edington to Burtle road</u> to be discussed when the site meeting takes place.
  - ii. Pothole outside Tregellis the bad pot hole outside Tregellis needs attention.

#### 15/16/191 PLANNING -

- a. <u>26/15/00002</u> <u>erection of extension at Little Haven, Church Road</u> Following correspondence Cllrs Tilbury and Heale would visit the owners.
- b. 26/15/00013 erect extension and elevation at Hill Farm Bungalow granted.
- c. <u>Local Development Framework</u> Following discussion it was agreed that the comments originally made during the confidential session in October should be re-sent.
- d. <u>Any other planning matters</u> application 14/15/00014 retrospective application for raised pitch roof at Corndean. This had been received this morning and the Clerk would respond following consultation with councillors other than Cllr Heale.
- 15/16/192 **RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS** Cllr Marshall reported on problems relating to footpaths BW14/28, BW14/11 and BW14/5.
- 15/16/193 PILLAR BARN ROOF The Clerk had written and was now instructed to write again reminding the owner of the barn's status as a listed building.

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- 15/16/164 **RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS** Cllr Marshall reported on problems relating to footpaths BW14/28 and BW14/11. One problem on BW14/11 which had been reported to SCC directly by a member of the public would in fact create a significant hazard if corrective action is taken and it was agreed that Cllr Marshall should alert SCC of this fact.
- 15/16/165 **JAF LUTTRELL MEMORIAL CHARITY LETTER REGARDING GRANT REQUESTS** a letter regretfully stating that grants could not be paid by the charity for either the bus shelter or the defibrillator had been received.
- 15/16/166 TREES IN MANOR ROAD Cllr Heale had so far been unable to contact the people concerned. He would continue to try.
- 15/16/167 SUBSIDISED AND DISCRETIONARY BUS FARES the Clerk had received notification of a consultation regarding cut-backs to these services.
- 15/16/168 LAND REGISTRY POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF LAND ALONG THE NIDON Cllr Tilbury is now ready to complete the paperwork and submit it.
- 15/16/169 **BUS SHELTER** apart from two new noticeboards the work is now complete. Clerk instructed to remove item from future agendas.
- 15/16/170 **WEBSITE** the Clerk reported that she had recently added a page for consultations. She had put all the planning and bus consultations on there including the necessary links to access them. The Clerk would correct the spelling of Polden Wheel which had sprouted an extra 'l'.
- 15/16/171 **BROADBAND COMPLAINTS** Cllr Robertson was not present Cllr Gilbert reported that Cllr Hall had been extremely helpful in this matter.
- 5/16/172 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE IN SOMERSET PROJECT copied to all with the agenda.
- 15/16/173 **DEFIBRILLATOR** excellent training had taken place at the Village Hall with a good turnout from Edington and a very poor turnout from Catcott. The Clerk was instructed to remove this item from future agendas.

### 15/16/174 FINANCE

- a. <u>Accounts check</u> The bank statements had arrived on Wednesday and the Clerk provided up to date account sheets which were approved.
- b. Cheques for signature including Chqs.737&738 Clerk's pay and expenses £350.58; Chq.739 Nicholas Alford (installation of defibrillator) (half the cost to be reimbursed by Catcott PC) £50.00; Chq.740 Meade Builders Ltd (repairs to bus shelter) £2548.80.
- c. Pensions regulations it was agreed to appoint NEST as the Council's pension provider.
- d. Any other financial matters for information the Clerk would invoice Catcott for a half share of the defibrillator installation.
- 15/16/175 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC none not otherwise covered.
- 15/16/176 **CLUSTER MEETING** It was reported that the Cricket Club request for a large grant from RLT3 funds had not been favourably received at the Cluster meeting.
- 15/16/177 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION police newsletter
- URGENT CORRESPONDENCE Clerk alerted the Council that the draft minutes would be out a little late as she would be unavailable for a short while.
- 15/16/179 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Consultation on the draft Core Strategy/LDF
- 15/16/180 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 10th December at 7.30pm (festive refreshments).

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- 15/16/153 PRESENT: Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heale, Marshall (Cllr Gilbert arrived after apologies)
- 15/16/154 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received and accepted from Cllr Robertson. Apologies were also received from CCllr Huxtable.
- 15/16/155 PRESENT: Cllr Gilbert arrived
- 15/16/156 ALSO PRESENT: 7 members of the public and DCllr Kingham
- 15/16/157 IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk to the Parish Council
- 15/16/158 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none.
- 15/16/159 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were approved and signed as a true record
- 15/16/160 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED following discussion it was agreed that the Clerk should write to the owner of the Pillar Barn regarding the state of the roof. Cllr Gilbert would provide the contact details.
- 15/16/161 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT DCllr Kingham alerted the Council to a couple of planning consultations put out by Sedgemoor. These relate to planning enforcement and the Local Development Framework which includes changes to the village development limit.

#### 15/16/162 HIGHWAYS

- a. Any updates on previous problems
  - i. <u>Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane</u> Highways had sent a letter threatening BT with charges if they fail to take action to satisfactorily remedy the situation.
  - ii. Kerbing on the corner of Holywell Road opposite Chandlers Lane The Clerk was instructed to insist on a site meeting.
  - iii. <u>Speedwatch</u> Cllr Gilbert updated the meeting and will arrange training for those interested. Sgt David Smith is forwarding new information to her as the system has changed.
  - iv. <u>Post codes for Suprema Estate and Suprema Avenue</u> Cllr Tilbury reported that there is a problem in that the businesses in Suprema Estate do not appreciate the fact that the current post code used by HGVs to reach them is the post code for Holywell Road as well as Suprema Avenue. The businesses really need a post code relating to the Broadway. The Clerk would chase this matter up but would need the necessary correspondence from Cllr Tilbury who had been liaising with Mr Gwilliam. It was also agreed that it would be a good idea if Cllr Tilbury was able to speak to Mr Gwilliam again in order that he should properly understand the complexities of the problem.
  - v. Tractors through the village this was again discussed but with no conclusion.
  - vi. <u>Blocked ditch in Broadmead Lane</u> the Clerk had written to Messrs Coombes. A member of the public has now cleared the worst of the ditch.
  - vii. Church Road surface this is now scheduled for repair.
- b. <u>Heavy traffic down Holywell Road</u> This had again been raised, this time by a member of the public. The Clerk had written again to Highways and the matter has been passed to Mr Newby for attention.
- c. <u>Matters arising Edington to Burtle road</u> the very worst section has now been repaired. There remain several areas in need of attention. Clerk to try and find out when the Edington end will be done and also the section by the cattery at Burtle. It was noted that the signs were left up and showing the road as closed when it was open.

## 15/16/163 PLANNING -

- a. <u>26/15/00002 erection of extension at Little Haven, Church Road</u> no update. The Clerk reported on the recent training with regard to enforcement which stressed that complaints other than those of a major sort or of something hazardous would take a very considerable time to be attended to.
- b. 26/15/00010 Retention of two illuminated wall mounted signs at Gwilliam Kellands granted (restricted hours)
- c. 26/15/00011 formation of access and parking at 2 Centre Road granted
- d. 26/15/00012 erect extensions and garage at Stockwood, Holywell Road granted
- e. 26/15/00013 erect extension and elevation at Hill Farm Bungalow the Council had no objection to this application.
- f. <u>Local Plan Review</u> a possible joint meeting with other councils from Cossington to Catcott inclusive was discussed. It was agreed to undertake a letter drop in order to ensure that members of the public were aware of the importance of this and of the fact that they could have a say.
- g. <u>SDC planning validation and planning enforcement</u> clerk to re-send this to the councillors as not all could remember receiving
  it.
- h. Any other planning matters none

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- i. <u>Training on 14<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> October</u> It was noted that 20<sup>th</sup> clashed with the next Cluster meeting. Cllrs Tilbury and Heale hoped to attend on 14<sup>th</sup>. Any councillor interested was asked to let the Chairman know as soon as possible and he would then notify the Clerk of those who intended going. They would be able to share transport.
- ii. 26/15/00012 extensions and change of access at Stockwood, Holywell Road Supported
- iii. <u>Unintentional contravention of planning</u> Cllr Heale apologised for an unintentional contravention of planning when he had the roof of his house attended to with the result that it became a little higher than previously. He had not thought to apply for planning permission and SDC have now been out to look at it.
- 15/16/139 **RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS** a member of the public notified the Council of a broken handrail. Cllr Marshall would take the necessary action.
- 15/16/140 **TREES IN MANOR ROAD** This is really solely the responsibility of the landowner. Cllr Heale would pursue the matter on the grounds of safety.
- 15/16/141 **LAND REGISTRY POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF LAND ALONG THE NIDON -** Cllr Tilbury reported that he is now ready to complete the forms.
- 15/16/142 **BUS SHELTER** this has been washed and painted. Cllr Tilbury would submit a grant application to the Polden Post. The Clerk was instructed to submit a grant application to the Luttrell Memorial Charity.
- 15/16/143 **WEBSITE** The Clerk was notified of several updates required. She would add links to the Polden Post, the Village Hall, the Surgery, the History Group and the Polden Wheel. She would also remove the out of date interests form. Those councillors present gave permission for additional information regarding them to be included.
- 15/16/144 **BROADBAND COMPLAINTS** it was noted that people on TalkTalk seemed to have big problems. Cllr Marshall would speak to a member of the public to see if they were willing for their information to be forwarded.
- 15/16/145 DEFIBRILLATOR Cllr Robertson agreed to join Cllr Tilbury for the two weekly checks which are required. The meeting was reminded of the forthcoming meeting and demonstration in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. The Clerk was asked to print posters and put them up in both Catcott and Edington. Grants have been applied for.

#### 15/16/146 FINANCE

- a. Accounts check bank statements had been received and the accounts were provided. These were approved.
- b. Cheques for signature Chqs.735 & 736 Clerk's pay and expenses £319.39.
- c. <u>Request for RLT2 funds from Catcott Playing Field</u> Following discussion it was agreed to provide Edington's RLT2 funds for use by Catcott Playing Field.
- d. Any other financial matters for information none
- 15/16/147 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC the Clerk had attended the SALC AGM.
- 15/16/148 CLUSTER MEETING RLT3 APPLICATION UPDATE the Clerk reported on networking that took place at the SALC AGM regarding this. Following the update it was agreed that Edington should object to this application as Shapwick and Poldens Cricket Club had already had £60k. If their request for a further £40k was granted it would not only prevent bodies from other villages accessing the funds for far more modest sums but it would mean that the one Club would have received £100k, emptying the coffers for a second time in quite quick succession. It was known that both Puriton and Cossington were hoping to apply for more modest sums in the near future.
- 15/16/149 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION** The Clerk had written to Royal Mail regarding the state of the pillar box. They would send somebody to see if it needed painting.
- 15/16/150 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none
- 15/16/151 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING none
- 15/16/152 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

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- 15/16/129 PRESENT: Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heale, Robertson and Marshall
- 15/16/130 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Cllr Gilbert. The Clerk asked if the Council accepted her apologies. The Council was not happy about her attendance rate and the Clerk was instructed to look back to establish what it was, to confer with the Chairman and possibly write to Cllr Gilbert.
- 15/16/131 ALSO PRESENT: 3 members of the public and DCllr Kingham
- 15/16/132 IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk to the Parish Council
- 15/16/133 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none.
- 15/16/134 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were approved and signed as a true record
- 15/16/135 **UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED** A member of the public reported that there are tiles falling off the roof of the Pillar Barn.
- 15/16/136 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT -** DCllr Kingham reported on the consultation for the new local draft plan (Core Strategy). This is no longer confidential having now been put on SDC's website. He also reported that SDC have taken on seven apprentices. A lady from Weston-super-Mare has been fined £290 for fly tipping. She got somebody else to get rid of it but the responsibility was hers. When asked about the Edington to Burtle Road DCllr Kingham said that funding is in place to do the whole road but most of it will not require a closure.

## 15/16/137 HIGHWAYS

- a. Any updates on previous problems
  - i. <u>Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane</u> Cllr Robertson had taken some video on her phone but couldn't transfer it to the Clerk. Cllr Tilbury said he had been sent a bit of video of the problem and would forward that to the Clerk. If this didn't work the Clerk would take a memory stick to Cllr Robertson for her to transfer the video to that. When the video is ready for sending the Clerk was instructed to send it to Highways, Wessex Water and BT.
  - ii. <u>Kerbing on the corner of Holywell Road opposite Chandlers Lane</u> Following discussion it was agreed that the Clerk should ask for a site meeting with Highways as something is needed there to maintain the bank and protect the ditch.
  - iii. <u>Speedwatch</u> It was agreed that a start needed to be made but no further discussion took place in the absence of Cllr Gilbert.
  - iv. <u>Post codes for Suprema Estate and Suprema Avenue</u> Cllr Tilbury updated the meeting on the latest correspondence he had received. It was clear that businesses on the Suprema Estate did not properly understand the problem caused by the fact that Suprema Avenue and Holywell Road share a post code.
  - v. <u>Tractors through the village</u> a request for feedback from villages had been received from SALC regarding the problems. It was agreed that there are problems in Edington. Problems concern speed, young drivers, agricultural contractors. Clerk to respond accordingly.
  - vi. De-icing material it was agreed that no additional bags are required at present.

# b. Matters arising

- i. <u>Blocked grip</u> this is causing a problem with water in the middle of the road near The Manor. Cllr Marshall would attend to this.
- ii. <u>Blocked ditch in Broadmead Lane</u> the ditch is full of rubbish since the last hedge trimming. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr Coombes of Shapwick.
- iii. Reflector posts these need replacing in Holywell Road on the left heading north.
- iv. Pumping Station a member of the public complained that there was a particularly strong stink there today.
- v. Church Road fresh complaints were received about the pot holes in Church Road which are worsening.

# 15/16/138 PLANNING -

- a. <u>26/15/00002</u> erection of extension at Little Haven, Church Road the Clerk was instructed to write to Development Management again about the contravention.
- b. 26/15/00010 retention of two externally illuminated wall mounted signs to NE & SE elevations at Gwilliam Kellands going to committee
- c. 26/15/00011 formation of access and parking at 2 Centre Road granted
- d. Any other planning matters

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# CONFIDENTIAL PAPERS RECEIVED FROM SDC FOR CONSIDERATION -

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM - CONFIDENTIAL PAPERS RECEIVED FROM SDC FOR CONSIDERATION -** The
Clerk advised that councillors with an interest in the papers should leave the room. Cllrs
Tilbury and Gilbert declared registerable interests in parts of the papers and apart from
making comments on the items with which they did not have an interest, they took no
further part in the meeting.

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PLANNING POLICY CONSULTATION ABOUT POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY

The following points were made during the discussion -

- 1. It was felt that the wrong areas had been selected.
- 2. The areas selected are not suitable.
- 3. Individual houses had been selected in an illogical fashion
- 4. The areas selected would only result in a few large houses.
- 5. What is needed is a number of smaller affordable houses.

Specific areas of concern -

- 1. The extended area around Holywell House there is concern about the access on the bend being increased for more properties.
- 2. The area around Burnt House Farm is drawn illogically.
- 3. The area on the west side of Broadmead Lane the Council feels quite strongly that this should not be included.
- 4. There was concern about increasing the area to the rear of the shop on the South side of Broadway.
- 5. An additional concern was that both Holywell House and Burnt House Farm are owned by parish councillors (including the Chairman). Having these two properties picked out smacks of 'favouritism' to say the least.
- There is an area to the North of Broadway (between Broadmead Lane and Suprema Estate) which the Council felt would be ideal for the building of several smaller, affordable houses and this would be much preferred.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Clerk should respond to SDC giving the comments made during the discussion.

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- d. 26/15/00008 formation of additional car parking for the use of company and staff vehicles at Gwilliam Kellands granted
- e. 26/15/00009 erection of single storey extension to rear, side and front at Elms Close, Holywell Road granted
- f. 26/15/00010 retention of two externally illuminated wall mounted signs to NE & SE elevations at Gwilliam Kellands following discussion it was agreed to object to this application as the signs are over-size. It was noted that visibility is severely restricted to the West when exiting from the rear car park. The Clerk was instructed to report this concern to Development Management when responding to the application.
- g. <u>26/15/00011</u> formation of access and parking at 2 Centre Road Noted that other residences have this facility. No known reason to object and therefore Council supports this application as being more satisfactory than parking on the road.
- h. Any other planning matters none
- 15/16/117 PRESENT DCllr Kingham left the meeting
- 15/16/118 RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS Cllr Marshall updated the meeting on a couple of footpath matters.
- 15/16/119 LAND REGISTRY POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF LAND ALONG THE NIDON Cllr Tilbury reported that he and Mr Rigler are now ready to submit the forms to the land registry and asked if the Council wanted this to proceed. Council agreed that it should go ahead.
- 15/16/120 **BUS SHELTER** Cllr Tilbury reported that the paint can be purchased more cheaply than previously mentioned. It was agreed that he should arrange for the purchase of the paint and the wash which needed to be applied first. Either the builder or a working party would then do the job. All the staples from the inside of the shelter have now been removed by Cllr Tilbury.
- 15/16/121 **WEBSITE** the Clerk would put the information about the defibrillator on the website. A member of the public raised concerns about the slow and poor broadband connection in the village. The Clerk will contact Ian LIddell-Grainger MP, CCllr David Hall and CCllr David Huxtable.

## 15/16/122 FINANCE

- a. Accounts check Councillors had been provided with up to date accounts and statements. These were approved.
- b. Consider risk management and internal control reports as advised by the internal auditor it was agreed not to proceed with these.
- c. Cheques for signature Chqs.728&729 had been paid in August for the Clerk's pay and expenses £319.26; Chq.730 Catcott Parish Council (grant to cover difference in funding for the defibrillator) £50.00; Chqs.731&732 Clerk's pay and expenses £312.03; Chq.733 AED Locator (EU) Ltd £15.96 (half share of carriage for defibrillator); Chq.734 B Tilbury £3.25 (silicone installing defibrillator) £3.50.
- d. <u>Any other financial matters for information</u> RLT funds information. Reduction of Council Tax Support Grant. Transparency Code fund application to be made.
- 15/16/123 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC The Clerk highlighted SALC AGM and Code of Conduct Training.
- 15/16/124 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION C&CD
- 15/16/125 **URGENT CORRESPONDENCE** A letter had been received from the Luttrell Charity asking the Council to appoint a representative to serve on the charity. It was unanimously agreed that Ann Bassi should be reappointed.
- 15/16/126 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 8th October at 7.30pm.
- 15/16/127 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Trees in Manor Road.
- 15/16/128 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC IN VIEW OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS ABOUT TO BE DISCUSSED It was agreed that the press and public should be excluded and they left the room.

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- 15/16/105 PRESENT: Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heal, Robertson, Marshall and Gilbert
- 15/16/106 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from CCllr Huxtable
- 15/16/107 ALSO PRESENT: 6 members of the public and DCllr Kingham
- 15/16/108 IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk to the Parish Council
- 15/16/109 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none.
- 15/16/110 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were approved and signed as a true record
- 15/16/111 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none
- 15/16/112 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** CCllr Huxtable had asked the Clerk to give his report. The Edington to Burtle road is due to be resurfaced starting on 28<sup>th</sup> October and the work will last 5 days. The budget and the possibility of regionalisation and local government re-organisation were mentioned. SCC is currently coping with an increase in the number both of elderly and of children in the county and is now facing the probability of a number of immigrants. CCllr Huxtable ended by advising that the Health and Wellbeing grants are again available.
- <sup>1</sup>5/16/113 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** DCllr Kingham said that SDC are currently preparing for the possibility of having to accommodate a number of refugees. Any refugees would be accommodated by other means and would not be given council houses for which others are waiting.

#### 15/16/114 HIGHWAYS

- a. Any updates on previous problems
  - i. <u>Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane</u> water has again been flowing out round the pole. Photographs and, if possible, video needs to be taken to prove the point. As soon as the Clerk has the photographic evidence she will again contact Mr Martin of Wessex Water and ask him to sort it out with BT.
  - ii. <u>Speedwatch</u> Cllr Gilbert now has the gun and signs but needs to contact David Smith. The Clerk would try to get contact details from Catcott speedwatch.
  - iii. <u>Post codes for Suprema Estate and Suprema Avenue</u> At one time the change of post code for Suprema Estate appeared to be going ahead but there were now objections from some businesses on the estate.
  - iv. <u>Kerbing at Holywell Road bend opposite Chandlers Lane</u> Following a request for kerbing at this point a negative response had been received from Highways. Clerk to pursue this matter in the interests of protecting the watercourse and pointing out that until a couple of years ago there was kerbing there.
- b. Matters arising none
- 15/16/115 **DEFIBRILLATOR** Cllr Tilbury reported that the defibrillator is now "live" with the South West Ambulance Trust and a guardian is required to inspect it fortnightly. Cllr Tilbury undertook to do that. He provided some information cards to be put on noticeboards and the Clerk would put one on both Catcott and Edington websites. There is to be a public meeting at the Village Hall on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30pm when the representative who attended a recent parish council meeting will give a presentation and demonstration. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Luttrell Charity requesting a grant for the general benefit of the population towards the defibrillator. Cllr Tilbury will apply to the Polden Post for a grant. Any grants received to be shared equally with Catcott.

## 15/16/116 PLANNING -

- a. <u>26/15/00002</u> erection of extension at Little Haven, Church Road Cllr Tilbury reported that he had recently replaced the stones back in position. Cllr Marshall reported that they are still in the correct place. Subsequent to the meeting, it was noted by Cllrs Tilbury, Heal and Marshall as they walked back along Church Road, that the stones that had been replaced had, once again, been moved back on to the raised verge.
- b. 26/15/00006 erect agricultural building on land at Moorhouse Farm granted
- c. <u>26/15/00007 conversion of barn to home office, studio, parking and storage at Hill Farm, Broadmead Lane</u> granted

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- 15/16/92 **DEFIBRILLATOR** Cllr Tilbury now had the paperwork for the defibrillator and would get to work requesting grants to make up the shortfall. It was agreed that the cost of the defibrillator be split £1677 to Edington and £1077 to Catcott to allow for the County Councillor's grant of £600 paid to Edington. Any additional grants received would be split evenly between the two parish councils.
- 15/16/93 **375 BUS SERVICE** The Chairman read a couple of letters which had appeared in the Polden Post. A reply in response was agreed.

## 15/16/94 PLANNING -

- a. <u>26/15/00002 erection of extension at Little Haven, Church Road</u> the Clerk had written to SDC Development Management twice regarding the moving of the stones on the bank but had not heard back. She would chase this matter up again.
- b. 26/15/00006 erect agricultural building on land at Moorhouse Farm no update
- c. 26/15/00007 conversion of barn to home office, studio, parking and storage at Hill Farm, Broadmead Lane Following discussion it was agreed to support this application as it will make a good use for a redundant barn.
- d. <u>Car park behind shop</u> An retrospective application has been submitted to SDC but has not yet been received by the Clerk. She would forward details via email to councillors as soon as possible and would then respond following consultation.
- e. Any other planning matters none
- 15/16/95 **RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS** Cllr Marshall updated the Council on the situation relating to three of the paths including 14/30 which has now been cut by Mr Alford. He also notified the Council of the new "Adopt a Path" scheme. It was noted that some of the villagers who regularly walk the paths take secateurs with them for use along the paths already. It was thought that a formal scheme wasn't really necessary in Edington. The Clerk had just received an email about the scheme which she had forwarded on to councillors shortly before the meeting.
- 15/16/96 LAND REGISTRY POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF LAND ALONG THE NIDON this is ongoing.
- 15/16/97 BUS SHELTER Cllr Tilbury gave a brief update. It was noted that the proposed paint is quite expensive.
- 15/16/98 **WEBSITE** Cllr Tilbury said that 'under construction' still showed on some pages. The Clerk would check and rectify this.

## 15/16/99 FINANCE

- a. <u>Accounts check</u> bank statements had arrived during the day and all councillors were provided with an up to date copy of the accounts and statements. The accounts were approved.
- b. Annual external audit This had been completed with no problems.
- c. <u>Consider risk management and internal control reports as advised by the internal auditor</u> (please refer to sheets provided with last agenda) postponed to next meeting.
- d. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows Chqs.724 & 725 Clerk's pay and expenses £336.13; Chq.726 B Alford (cutting path) £50.00; Chq.727 AED Locator (EU)Ltd (defibrillator) £1677.00. It was felt that some of the funds set aside for kerbing could possibly be reassigned to assist with the cost of the defibrillator. This to be discussed at the next meeting.
- e. Any other financial matters for information The Clerk has submitted a claim for a VAT refund.
- 15/16/100 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC <u>Training</u> the training for councillors scheduled to take place in Edington had been cancelled as Mr Robinson had been taken ill. Cllr Gilbert had contacted the Clerk to say she would not be able to attend as arranged and the Clerk pointed out that this would have met the expenditure of £20 for no gain. It was agreed by Council that anyone booking a place for an event and being unable to attend for any reason other than health would be expected to pay the cost incurred.
- 15/16/101 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION C&CD
- 15/16/102 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none
- 15/16/103 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Possible use of Kerbing funds to meet any shortfall in the cost of the defibrillator.
- 15/16/104 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. (If there is an urgent need for a meeting prior to this it will be held on 13<sup>th</sup> August.)

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- 15/16/81 **PRESENT:** Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heal, Robertson and Marshall
- 15/16/82 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Cllr Gilbert and CCllr Huxtable
- 15/16/83 ALSO PRESENT: 4 members of the public, DCllr Kingham and Messrs David Martin and Ian Ryan from Wessex Water.
- 15/16/84 IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk to the Parish Council
- 15/16/85 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none.
- 15/16/86 WESSEX WATER - Guest speakers Ian Ryan and David Martin updated the Council on matters relating to the pumping station, drainage and the water leakage from around the pole at the end of Chandlers Lane. Mr Martin said that although Wessex Water were working hard there are still a lot of problems to be sorted out although a lot of sealing has taken place. CCTV surveys in Catcott, Edington and Shapwick have revealed 650 metres of infiltration in 5000 metres surveyed. Roads will need to be closed in order to seal the sewers. There will be 7 closures (starting on 27th July in Shapwick). There are also manholes that require sealing. The wet well at the pumping station has been inspected and that is OK. The capacity of the pumps is also OK. One pump was renewed earlier in the year. They have changed their operation system in order to increase the flow and have installed a low meter. With regard to the pole at Chandlers Lane the sewer there has been checked and is fine. David Martin said that under the Floods and Water Management Act SCC is responsible in some ways and he will mention the problem here to his contact. He will also update us with what he's done. One member of the public mentioned some temporary shrouding on the wires near her house and Mr Martin will mention this to the appropriate person in order to get it removed. It was noted that one manhole near the pumping station smells strongly but there needs to be one not sealed down in order to avoid problems in private residences should pressure become too great. Mr Martin went on to say that WW will look at fresh water infiltration from private properties. Mr Martin will send a plan of the proposed road closures to the Clerk as well as updating her on progress from time to time.
- 15/16/87 WESSEX WATER ANY DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS REQUIRED RELATING TO WESSEX WATER FOLLOWING GUEST SPEAKER no additional discussion or decisions needed.
- 15/16/88 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were approved and signed
- 15/16/89 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none
- 15/16/90 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** DCllr Kingham asked if the Council would be interested in a housing needs survey. It was agreed that as one was carried out a few years ago this is not required.

## 15/16/91 **HIGHWAYS**

- a. <u>Any updates on previous problems</u> <u>Edington Road to Burtle</u> a lot of white markings have appeared on the road at Burtle. DCllr Kingham explained that this means the site has been surveyed. It is expected that the work will be carried out in September. Highways are concentrating on the very worse patches of roads initially.
  - i. Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane updated during Wessex Water item.
  - ii. <u>Speedwatch</u> Cllr Robertson had spoken with Cllr Gilbert who explained that Chilton Polden now wanted to keep the gun a bit longer in order to run another check. It was thought that Edington could use it in the meantime and then return it to them when they are ready. Cllr Tilbury will talk to them about this. It was noted that the Police Newsletter had the problem of speeding on its front page this issue.
  - iii. <u>Broadway speed limit</u> The Clerk had written in support of the 40mph speed limit that had been mentioned to a householder although she stated that the Parish Council would rather have a continuous 30mph limit.
  - iv. <u>Post codes for Suprema Estate and Suprema Avenue</u> Cllr Tilbury had spoken to Mr Gwilliam regarding a possible change of address and post code for Suprema Estate. Mr Gwilliam is very supportive of this idea. The Clerk will arrange the necessary paperwork. It was felt that businesses could change to the new post code slowly as regards stationery but could advise all customers and suppliers immediately.

## b. Matters arising -

- i. <u>Clean Surrounds</u> The Clerk was instructed to write to James Presdee of Clean Surroundings to say that the Council is not happy with the standard of work carried out at the last cut. Particularly the area in front of the Edington sign coming down Holywell Road from the A39 needs to be extended some way further back to make it properly visible. Also the work at the Holy Well was not carried out very well.
- ii. <u>Keenhayes Lane</u> It was agreed to write to nearby householders who overlook the lane asking them to notify us if they see anyone tipping grass cuttings there as this is not permissible.
- iii. <u>Kerbing</u> It was noted that the bank on the inside of the Holywell Road bend opposite the end of Chandlers Lane is being eroded. The Clerk was instructed to contact Highways to see if this could have some kerbing put round it for <u>protection</u>.

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- b. 26/15/00003 erection of extensions at Hill Farm, Broadmead Lane and amended plans granted
- c. 26/15/00004 Prior approval for change of use of agricultural building to dwelling Barn on land E of The Nidon
   refused as the 'barn' in question has not been on site and used for agricultural purposes on or before 20 March
  2013.
- d. 26/15/00005 Listed building alterations at The Coach House, Broadmead Lane granted
- e. <u>26/15/00006</u> erect agricultural building on land at Moorhouse Farm following discussion it was agreed to support this application with a request that the footpath problem be looked at and the path clearly marked.
- f. Any other planning matters
  - i. <u>Mobile Home at Nidon Bungalow</u> two halves of a mobile home have appeared on site. The Clerk was instructed to alert SDC and ask for clarification as to whether this is permissible.
  - ii. <u>Car park behind shop</u> A member of the public expressed concern about the change of use from agricultural land to car parking behind the shop. Cllr Tilbury would raise this with Mr Gwilliam when he meets with him to discuss the post code problem.

## 15/16/70 RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS

- a. <u>Problems arising and updates</u> Two problems were raised. One concerned a low electric fence which has caught a few dogs. This will be rectified immediately. On path BW14/7 from The Square to Chandlers Lane two trees have fallen down in the recent strong winds. This is being attended to.
- b. Application for additional footpath Edington's application still stands at 102 on the list.
- 15/16/71 **PUMPING STATION** the Clerk had not invited the new representative to our current meeting because of the defibrillator speaker attending. She would invite him to the July meeting when he would also be asked to address the problem with the post on the corner of Chandlers Lane and Holywell Road.
- 15/16/72 **LAND REGISTRY POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF LAND ALONG THE NIDON -** Mr Rigler and Cllr Tilbury had not yet been able to meet but hoped to do so shortly. They will report back to the next PC meeting.
- 15/16/73 **BUS SHELTER** the only outstanding work to be undertaken is the erection of the two public notice boards on the back wall and the moving of the church notice board on the exterior right hand side wall to the inside of the right hand side wall. The builder had been instructed to complete this as soon as possible. As soon as this work has been completed the whole shelter, other than the roof, needs to be treated with a quality preservative. In order to save costs, it was agreed to form a working party to undertake this work. A number of parishioners, including the builder who, until very recently, was an Edington resident, have volunteered their services. Cllr Tilbury will coordinate this and also ascertain the cost of a suitable preservative and will report back at the next meeting.
- 15/16/74 **WEBSITE** The Clerk would now remove the 'under construction' writing and sign. There were no other suggestions for website content to be posted.

## 15/16/75 FINANCE

- a. <u>Accounts check</u> The statements had arrived and the Clerk provided councillors with copies of the accounts which were approved.
- b. <u>Annual internal and external audits</u> the internal audit had been completed with a recommendation to consider policies on risk assessment and governance. The accounts had now been sent to the external auditor.
- c. <u>Consider risk management and internal control reports as advised by the internal auditor</u> these would be considered at the next meeting.
- d. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows:- Chqs.720 &721 Clerk's pay and expenses £319.33; Chq.722 SDC (election costs) £100.00; Chq.723 R Young (internal audit) £20.00.
- e. Letters of thanks had been received from St George's Church and the Village Hall for the grants made to them.
- f. Any other financial matters for information Pensions Regulator, new regulations. The Clerk has enrolled for this.
- 15/16/76 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC The Clerk has enrolled Cllr Gilbert for training with SALC at Edington; the next Cluster meeting has been cancelled. Future dates are 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015, 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016 and 24<sup>th</sup> May 2016 all at 7pm in The Lounge, Woolavington Village Hall.
- 15/16/77 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION Police and Crime Plan 2015-2017.
- 15/16/78 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none
- 15/16/79 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Wessex Water representative; Speedwatch.
- 15/16/80 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 9th July at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 9.50pm

Following the meeting Cllr Marshall provided his Register of Interests. The other councillors would complete theirs in the near future and let the Clerk have them.

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- 15/16/56 **PRESENT:** Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heal, Robertson and Marshall
- 15/16/57 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received and accepted from Cllr Gilbert
- 15/16/58 **ALSO PRESENT**: 7 members of the public, CCllr Huxtable, DCllr Kingham and Mr Clive Setter from "Heart Safe" (guest speaker).
- 15/16/59 IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk to the Parish Council
- 15/16/60 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none.
- 15/16/61 GUEST SPEAKER . Mr Setter outlined the history of his involvement in defibrillators and explained how they work and the benefits within certain time spans. Compression needs to be at the rate of about 100-120 per minute to a depth of 5-6cm into the chest! Technology has advanced greatly in recent times and there are three models which give essential feedback to the operator. One of these is made in India, another in Japan and the third in Belfast. Only the last one gives really accurate feedback however. There is little in the way of ongoing costs but after 4 years the battery would need replacing if it hadn't been used. If it saves a life then the victim gains a free defibrillator to be placed in the community. Junior pads are available and these are normally kept at a school. The defibrillator can only be accessed once 999 has been called. At this point the operator will give the caller a code to open the cabinet to retrieve the defib. The whole unit will need to be checked every couple of weeks by a guardian. It costs less than £15 per year to run the cabinet but a couple of AA batteries might need to be replaced. There is a ten year warranty on the machine. The inclusive cost including training and some accessories is £2295. Mr Setter answered many questions and gave a brief demonstration on a dummy. He was very warmly thanked for coming and talking to us.
- 15/16/62 **PRESENT** CCllr Huxtable left the meeting.
- DEFIBRILLATOR the Chairman brought this agenda item forward for the benefit of members of the public who were attending specifically to hear about this (including Catcott parish councillors Barnett and Bell). Following discussion it was agreed that the recommended machine should be purchased and Cllr Barnett (Chairman of Catcott Parish Council) concurred with this. It was agreed not to waste any more time but to go ahead and order it. Mr Setter had been told that the invoice(s) would need to be made out to two different parish councils. The currently available funds are £600 from CCllr Huxtable, £600 from Edington PC and £600 from Catcott PC. Cllr Tilbury would apply to the Polden Post for a grant towards the shortfall and possibly also apply for a grant from the Luttrell Trust to assist with the training.
- 15/16/64 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed.
- 15/16/65 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED none
- 15/16/66 **DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS** CCllr Huxtable had left the meeting earlier so no report was given. DCllr Kingham reported that the new administration is getting organised and there is nothing much to report at present. He is on the Audit and Governance committee.

#### 15/16/67 HIGHWAYS

- a. Any updates on previous problems
  - i. <u>Speedwatch</u> It was not known whether Cllr Gilbert had recovered the equipment from Cllr Carr (Chairman of Chilton Polden Parish Council). Cllr Tilbury would find out. Some people were keen to start using it.
  - ii. <u>Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane a geologist's cure</u> Cllr Tilbury had received an interesting email from a member of the public giving a 'geologist's cure' for the problem. The clerk was instructed to forward this to the Wessex Water representative who is to be invited to attend our next meeting. When he comes to the meeting he will be asked to resolve the problem.
  - iii. Post Codes for Suprema Estate and Suprema Avenue The Clerk had contacted Royal Mail who had said that it is possible to change the post code for Suprema Avenue but it would be difficult and require written authorisation from all parties. Royal Mail had suggested contacting the District Council to ask for a change of street address from Suprema Avenue to The Broadway. This is also quite a complicated affair requiring the consent of those concerned. Cllr Tilbury would meet with Mr Gwilliam. The Clerk has been sent considerable paperwork for completion if it is decided to proceed with this option and she will provide this.
- b. Matters arising none
- 15/16/68 375 BUS SERVICE AND STOP AT THE SURGERY AND HALL The Clerk will pursue the problem of buses not stopping at the Hall and Surgery. An email from a member of the public praising the new bus service had been received.

# 15/16/69 PLANNING -

a. <u>26/15/00002</u> - erection of extension at Little Haven, Church Road - granted with condition re deliveries and the verge opposite. The Council was disappointed to note that the kerb stones opposite the entrance had been moved and instructed the Clark to inform SDC of the interference to the verge.

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15/16/43 375 BUS SERVICE AND STOP AT THE SURGERY AND HALL - The Clerk stated that she is pursuing this and other matters with the bus company at present.

#### 15/16/44 PLANNING -

- a. <u>26/15/00002</u> erection of extension at Little Haven, Church Road Clerk read the response she had sent in respect of this application which was supported with certain provisos regarding delivery of building materials and modifying the access prior to work starting.
- b. <u>26/15/00003 erection of extensions at Hill Farm, Broadmead Lane amended plans</u> the amended plans were an improvement. This application had been responded to by the Clerk following consultation with councillors.
- c. <u>26/15/00004 Prior approval for change of use of agricultural building to dwelling Barn on land E of The Nidon</u> the Clerk had had to respond to this application following consultation with councillors between meetings. This application was strongly objected to and it was felt it was an abuse of the conversion policy.
- d. <u>26/15/00005 Listed building alterations at The Coach House, Broadmead Lane</u> Council agreed to support this application in principle but there were some concerns about the installation of modern doors replacing the currently sympathetic stable door.
- e. Any other planning matters none
- 15/16/45 PRESENT DCllr Kingham left the meeting.
- 15/16/46 RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS
  - a. Problems arising and updates none
  - Application for additional footpath the Clerk would again write to SCC about this to see where we stand at present.
- 15/16/47 **PUMPING STATION MR BARKER HAD BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND** the Clerk has now been informed that Mr Barker has left Wessex Water. She will invite his replacement to the next Council meeting to update us on the progress of the works.
- 15/16/48 LAND REGISTRY POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF LAND ALONG THE NIDON It was agreed to pursue this with regard to the land on the West of the road. Cllr Tilbury will undertake this task with the assistance of Mr Rigler who has experience of it.
- 15/16/49 **BUS SHELTER** Cllr Tilbury updated the meeting on the current situation. He is still taking lots of staples out of the walls and when that is complete further work can start. He has been contacted by a member of the public who has given some effective cost saving advice which the Council agreed to follow. The builders are happy to comply with this.

## 15/16/50 FINANCE

- a. <u>Accounts check</u> none this month as only one month since year end and statements have only just been received.
- b. Annual internal and external audits the accounts will be taken to the internal auditor within the next week and when the internal audit is complete they will be sent straight off to the external auditor.
- c. Cheques for signature were approved as follows:- Chq.712 Willow Media (production of CD of maps in the Definitive Footpath Book) £39.50; Chq.713&714 Clerk's salary and expenses £312.52; Chq.715 SALC (subscription) £95.51; Chq.716 St George's Church Edington (Grant toward churchyard maintenance) £500.00; Chq.717 The Village Hall Edington (Grant) £500.00; Broker Network Ltd (Insurance) £265.00; Brian Tilbury & Co (Office paper) £15.00.
- d. Any other financial matters the precept has been received.
- 15/16/51 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC none
- 15/16/52 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION C&CD
- 15/16/53 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none
- 15/16/54 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING Wessex Water representative; Website
- 15/16/55 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 11th June at 7.30pm

The meeting ended at 9.30pm.

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- 15/16/29 PRESENT: Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heal, Robertson, Marshall and Gilbert
- 15/16/30 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** CCllr Huxtable apologised that he had to leave following the Parish Meeting.
- 15/16/31 ALSO PRESENT: 4 members of the public and DCllr Kingham
- 15/16/32 IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk to the Parish Council
- 15/16/33 **SIGNING OF DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE** All councillors signed their declarations of acceptance of office which were all witnessed by the Clerk.
- 15/16/34 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE COMING YEAR AND SIGNING OF CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE Cllr Heale proposed Cllr Tilbury, seconded by Cllr Robertson. Carried. Cllr Tilbury signed his declaration of acceptance of office as Chairman which was witnessed by the Clerk.
- 15/16/35 **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE COMING YEAR** Cllr Tilbury proposed Cllr Heale, seconded by Cllr Marshall. Carried.
- 15/16/36 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES IF REQUIRED none required.
- 15/16/37 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED** none.
- 15/16/38 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed.
- 15/16/39 UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED
  - a. Grass cutting The dates of the grass cutting for the previous year were provided 22nd May, 1 July, 14 August and weekend 5 October 2014. It was agreed to continue with the service.
  - b. Website Cllr Tilbury explained the position with regard to maintaining the website. The Clerk will endeavour to keep it up to date. A lot of changes have been made since the last meeting. If councillors let the Clerk know if they think something ought to be updated she will attend to it.
- 15/16/40 **DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS** Not required following the Parish Meeting although DCllr Kingham reported on the new make up of the Council..

## 15/16/41 **HIGHWAYS**

- a. Any updates on previous problems
  - i. <u>Speed Limit along the Broadway</u> the Clerk had written to Richard Newby in support of a continuous speed limit along the Broadway connecting the two sections of Edington. A 40mph limit would be welcomed but it was felt that a continuous 30mph limit would be better.
  - ii. <u>Speedwatch/SIDs</u> The Clerk had now heard that the speed gun is ready for collection from the Tower House in Chilton Polden. Cllr Gilbert will collect the equipment and take charge of arranging future speedwatch sessions.
  - iii. <u>Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane</u> The Clerk reported that she had eventually been told by BT that she needed to contact Western Power, which she did. She then had a call from an engineer on site who could see no problem. Unable to contact any councillor she drove to the site and fetched Mr Lowe. Mr Lowe has since reported that he is not optimistic of the outcome of the visit. Whilst on site the engineer lifted the cover of the foul drainage manhole which appeared to be totally blocked. The Clerk contacted Wessex Water about this and they have checked that it is running OK. This will be checked by councillors before the Clerk writes back.

# **PRESENT:** Cllr Robertson left the meeting.

- iv. <u>HGV's in Holywell Road (North and South)</u> CCllr Huxtable had spoken to the Clerk and Chairman prior to the start of the Parish Meeting. He will do what he can with regard to signage. The problem of the same postcode being used at two quite different entrances off different roads needs to be taken to the Post Office. The Clerk will write to the Post Office regarding this problem.
- b. Matters arising the Clerk had received the annual schedule of verge cutting from SCC.
- 15/16/42 **DEFIBRILLATOR** Cllr Tilbury updated the council on this matter. He would arrange for the representative of the company that is to supply the chosen model to attend our next meeting. He will also check that the price remains the same. The Village Hall have now agreed to have the defibrillator on the wall of the Hall near the ramp.

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- 15/16/1 PRESENT: Cllrs Tilbury (in the Chair), Heal, Marshall and Gilbert
- 15/16/2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received and accepted from Cllr Robertson.
- 15/16/3 ALSO PRESENT: 10 members of the public and DCllr Kingham.
- 15/16/4 IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk to the Parish Council
- 15/16/5 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING were amended (footpath numbers) and signed.
- 15/16/6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS AND DISPENSATIONS AS REQUIRED none declared
- 15/16/7 **UPDATES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING AND NOT LISTED** <u>Bus Service</u> we were told that the bus drivers say they have been told not to stop at the surgery any more. This is contrary to what the Clerk was told would be the case and she will take the matter up with First Bus.
- 15/16/8 **DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS** <u>DCllr Kingham reported</u> he said that this would be his last meeting before the elections. He has enjoyed this term of office and if re-elected will be very happy to support the Council in the future.

#### 15/16/9 HIGHWAYS

- a. Any updates on previous problems
  - i. <u>Speedwatch/SIDs</u> The Clerk had heard nothing from PCSO Lora Bray regarding training for Speedwatch. Cllr Tilbury had attended the Cluster meeting and provided a new contact for training, Police Sergeant Tracy Marlow. Those requiring training are Sam Gilbert, Sarah Robertson, David Heale and Brian Tilbury. The Clerk had again contacted Chilton Polden and asked for the return of the gun, also informing them that the calibration could be undertaken with the implement provided. It was noted that our last trace of the gun was when Sue Sutton had handed over the gun to Antony Carr in Chilton Polden.
  - ii. <u>Post on the corner of Holywell Road and Chandlers Lane</u> The Clerk had contacted all parties. Highways said they had requested BT to take action and suggested that the Clerk contact BT. She has done this again via Royal Mail but, as before, received no response at all. The Clerk was instructed to chase this matter up with Andrew Turner (Highways).
  - iii. <u>HGV's in Holywell Road (North and South)</u> The Clerk had sent all the documents to CCllr Huxtable but has heard nothing since then. She was instructed to chase him up in an effort to get this resolved.

## b. Matters arising -

- i. <u>Suprema Avenue/Suprema Estate Post Codes</u> the fact that these two sites, with entrances off different roads, have the same post code causes considerable inconvenience and frustration, particularly with HGVs trying to access Suprema Estate via Suprema Avenue when there is no way through for them. Clerk was instructed to contact CCllr Huxtable to enquire as to whether one post code could be obtained for Suprema Estate and a different post code for Suprema Avenue.
- ii. <u>Sleeper in ditch</u> it was reported that a plank has been pushed into the ditch along Broadmead Lane opposite the end of Church Road. There is concern that this will severely restrict the water flow in the ditch. It is understood that this happened when Wessex Water were working on site at the beginning of the month. Clerk will contact Wessex Water.
- iii. 40mph limit along the Broadway a member of the public had been told by someone that Richard Newby had said that Highways were considering a 40mph limit in the gap in the 30mph limit on the Broadway. The Clerk was instructed to write to Richard Newby and state that Edington Parish Council would support any speed restriction in the gap between the two villages, particularly in view of the increase in pedestrian traffic following the closure of the shop in Chilton Polden and the opening of the new shop in Edington. The Parish Council still felt that a 30mph speed restriction was justified and we had applied for this two or three years ago.
- 15/16/10 **DEFIBRILLATOR** Cllr Tilbury reported that although the model has been decided on and both Catcott and Edington Parish Councils are ready to proceed the Village Hall were querying the siting of the defibrillator and therefore the matter is temporarily on hold until after the next meeting of the Hall Committee.

## 15/16/11 PLANNING -

a. 26/15/00001 - prior approval agricultural to dwelling - barn at Nidon Bungalow - withdrawn after registration

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- b. <u>26/15/00002 erection of extension at Little Haven, Church Road</u> It was felt that there were potential problems with regard to deliveries of building materials. It was therefore decided to ask for a condition to be placed on any permission granted to state that there must be no off loading on the road and that the access must be adequately modified prior to the work starting so that there should be no damage to the verge on the opposite side of the road. Apart from this it was agreed to support the application as it is in keeping.
- c. <u>26/15/00003 erection of extensions at Hill Farm, Broadmead Lane</u> The Council instructed the Clerk to respond to SDC with 'no comment'.
- d. Any other planning matters none
- 15/16/12 RIGHTS OF WAY, FOOTPATHS Cllr Marshall reported on the muddy patch on path BW 14/9.
- 15/16/13 SOMERSET EMERGENCY COMMUNITY CONTACTS Details had been circulated to all councillors with the agenda. All the councillors present agreed to having their names on the list and Cllr Robertson would be asked if she would like to have her name on it as well. The consent forms would then need to be returned to the Clerk for submission.
- 15/16/14 **PUMPING STATION** Mr Barker had been invited to attend a meeting on either 12<sup>th</sup> March or 9<sup>th</sup> April. The Clerk had still not had a response but was continuing to chase him up.
- 15/16/15 SDC LEGAL ADVICE LETTER FROM STEVE HELLARD, SOLICITOR, SDC LEGAL SERVICES MANAGER it was agreed that this could prove useful although there would be no benefit in an annual charge system.
- 15/16/16 LAND REGISTRY possible registration of land along The Nidon. The Clerk had again tried to get a response from Mr Smith but so far without success.
- 15/16/17 **BUS SHELTER** Cllr Tilbury reported that some work had been done to the base and that the roof had been renewed. Boards will be put inside for members of the public to put notices on and the small church noticeboard on the outside on the East end would be brought inside. The small grant agreed to by the Polden Post will now be applied for.
- 15/16/18 VILLAGE CLEANUP Cllr Tilbury reported on a very good turnout of 21 people and he thanked all those who took part. Whilst on the cleanup it was noted that a tree at Burnt House Farm had caused part of the wall to collapse into the water course. The owners of the property had been approached and had agreed to clear the watercourse blockage within the next week and then to have the wall repaired as soon as possible.
- 15/16/19 MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE Clerk will put the schedule on the website when it becomes available.

#### 15/16/20 FINANCE

- a. Accounts check Sheets provided with agenda Council agreed the accounts.
- b. <u>Annual Internal and External Audits. Accounts and Governance Statement</u> copies had been sent to councillors with the agenda. The accounts and governance statement were both agreed and signed. The Clerk will complete the minute number when it is available.
- c. <u>Cheques for Signature</u> Chq.706 Edington School Room (hire of room for meetings) £132.00; Chq.707 Sedgemoor District Council (grounds maintenance) £154.08; Chq.708 The Information Commissioner (data protection) £35.00; Chq.709 R Tilbury (cleanup expenses) £10.00; Chq.710 & 711 (Clerk's pay and expenses) £314.74.
- d. Any Other Financial Matters none
- 15/16/21 SCC, SDC, SALC, NALC Cllrs Tilbury and Heale had attended the last Cluster meeting. It was devoted to policing and anti social behaviour. The Clerk had received a notification of Edington's current RLT2 funds.
- 15/16/22 **WEBSITE** It was agreed that the Clerk should continue to maintain this, provided it was kept up to date. There is to be a page devoted to Edington School Room as it does not have its own website.
- 15/16/23 **ELECTIONS** as far as is currently known there are five people standing for the five vacancies. If anyone else has been nominated then there will be an election.
- 15/16/24 ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF AGENDAS AND ASSOCIATED PAPERS The Clerk reported that this is now permissible but as she has to service the noticeboards it is quite easy to drop hard copies in to all the councillors. She could forward hard copies to any councillors who wanted them.
- 15/16/25 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION insurance newsletter
- 15/16/26 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none
- 15/16/27 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING defibrillator; bus stop at the surgery.
- 15/16/28 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday, 14th May following the Annual Parish Meeting which is due to start at 7pm.

The meeting ended at 9pm.

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