

Minutes of the Meeting Held on Monday 11th November 2019

All meetings are held at 7.30pm at the Village Hall unless stated otherwise

Nigel Ashton, our Ward Cllr attends when possible; Colin Medus, our NSC Liaison Officer, attends every other month

There is a vacancy for another Councillor - please contact a Councillor or the Clerk if you are interested in becoming involved

Present: Cllrs Mike Ralston (Chair), Brian Cannell, Nigel Wilyman

In Attendance: Don Hill (Clerk)

Public Attendance: 0

093/19 APOLOGIES - Cllr Dickinson, Colin Medus

094/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - none

095/19 LAST MEETING MINUTES - September 9th - were agreed, and signed by Chair & Clerk.

096/19 MATTERS ARISING NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE - none

097/19 PLANNING

New: 19/P/2417/LBC Stable House Garage Solar panels. All approved of the proposal. NSC to be so notified.

Decision Due: 19/P/2112/MMA & 19/P/2226/MMA Seascapes decking.

098/19 PARISH MATTERS

End Gully at Rear of Home Farm Cottage: No remedial action yet taken by NSC.

Moor Lane @ Ash Track: Tyre gone. Grip requested by Clerk to relieve highway flood.

Moor Lane: NSC say the ash tree opposite Becksides poses no threat. All ash trees under regular surveillance.

7.5 Ton Limit: More information due via Colin Medus re Walton Street.

Traffic Management: Members discussed the agenda note below, and recent complaints from residents. **The Clerk and Chair will prepare a bullet list of road safety possibilities for the January meeting**, when tactics towards achieving at least some of them can be worked out.

We have noted that WeIG have a 20mph speed limit on their wide straight stretch of the B3124, while we, with a narrow, twisty stretch containing farm entrances and a complex cross roads, appear not to qualify. The topic is surrounded by a complex of national government guidelines. We, for example, cannot even have our village gateway scheme unless we agree to our hard fought for (through 25years?) 30mph speed limits being moved from Hackswood to Plum Tree, from the Clevedon end up to near the Manor Drive and along Moor Lane from the current location up to near Home Farm Cottage. A recent suggestion of a pedestrian crossing is eminently sensible; it may fall foul of technical and local objections, but a crossing at a point in the Village (Cross Tree or Hall) where pedestrians most regularly cross the road has undeniable logic. The Council is doggedly moving forward on the issues surrounding road safety both in the Village and along the Coast Road. Our presumption is that the national guidelines are just that; 'guidelines', against which we have reasonable - and strong - grounds for developing an alternative traffic management strategy that is appropriate and effective for our Parish. We first need to have North Somerset Council on board with this to have it as an achievable objective. Given that, we then have to agree a phased implementation that allows the objective to be affordably executed and thereafter maintained. It will, realistically, all take a long time. This is an unacceptable but brutal fact. Nevertheless, we hope to develop a core of community support to sustain thrust behind a realistic traffic management strategy for the Parish.

Walton Street: Estate to clear Walton Brook at Springhead, flooded during recent rains.

Manor Cottages: New gateway in conservation area. In hand via NSC Enforcement.

099/19 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS - none

100/19 FINANCE

i) 2019-20 Accounts to Date: pre-circulated, reviewed and noted.

ii) Cheques - none

iii) 2020-21 Budget: Members should bring any requests for funding etc to be included in the 2020 draft budget, which will be discussed, and needs to be agreed, at the Jan 2020 PC meeting.

101/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday December 9th 2019

(for 2020-21, Members agreed to continue meeting on the 2nd Monday of each month except August).

The meeting closed at 8.20pm