

PRESENT: Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, Mrs. B.M.Adkins, Vice-Chairman, Mr.C.M.Brown, Mesdames M.A.Charlesworth and E.M.Ross, together with the Clerk.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mr.N.C.Ashton (District Councillor).

769. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

770. Planning There were no plans for consideration this month. However, Mrs.E.Ross expressed concern as to why the Planning Department of W.D.C. had reduced the floor space on the recent Planning Consent for 'Cosy Corner', Walton Bay, Walton-in-Gordano, from 1350 sq.ft to 1076 sq.ft. The Clerk was asked to contact the Planning department for an explanation.

A letter from the Planning department was received concerning the re-organisation of Planning Committees. Members discussed this letter and noted the contents.

771. Clerk's Report

(i) Traffic along the Coast Road Mrs.M.A.Charlesworth and the Clerk had attended the meeting of the County Council's Planning, Highways and Transport Committee on the 7th April in Bristol. After discussion, Avon C.C. agreed to defer consideration of this matter until their next meeting.

A complaint had been received from Mrs.P.Wills on the 24th March that convoys of heavy lorries were again using the Coast Road to deliver building materials to a building site on Down Road in Portishead. The Clerk had contacted Avon C.C. who informed her that they would look into this matter. However, they pointed out that this recent occurrence may be a 'one off' instance. The meeting was informed that the transport of building supplies to this site has now stopped.

We are, however, waiting to hear Avon C.C's action regarding this problem.

(ii) Village Hall The Clerk had contacted the Marketing and Development Department of W.D.C. about their policy regarding grant aid for village halls. She was informed that it would be better for the parish council to apply for the grant on behalf of the village hall Committee as there would probably be a 60% grant from W.D.C. and only 40% from the parish council. Whereas, if the village hall Committee applied for this grant, only 20% would be allowed.

It was decided to discuss this matter further at the Annual Parish Meeting which will follow this meeting for the views of local residents.

(iii) Bridlepath through The Common The Clerk had contacted Mrs.Reed of Avon C.C.who informed her that, in the first instance, only the landowner has to be notified of a proposed application, and a final decision will be made when the application has been processed and discussed by their department. In the meantime the Clerk had written to the Chairman of The Avon Wildlife Trust who had replied stating they will support the landowner in his objection to this proposal. A letter was also sent to Mr.P.Miles

771. Clerk's Report (contd)

(iv) Application for Justices 'Off Licence' - Walton Bay Stores

The Clerk has sent an acknowledgement to the Solicitors regarding this document. After discussion, it was agreed to notify the Solicitors that no objections were raised to the granting of this Licence to Mr. and Mrs. M. Ross.

(v) Manhole and pothole on the Coast Road Members were informed that the work of repair has now been carried out with regard to this matter.

(vi) Avon Public Transport Forum A letter was received from the North Weston Parish Council asking for our support for a direct bus service to Southmead Hospital, and to alleviate early morning traffic congestion by persuading Avon and Badgerline of the futility of not permitting return bus fares to Bristol until after 9 a.m. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that we will support them in their endeavours.

(vii) Festival of Europe Week in Avon The Chairman had received an invitation to attend a Buffet Reception at the Assembly Rooms, Bath to launch this Festival. The Clerk was asked to send our apologies as no Councillor was able to attend.

772. Councillors' Reports

(i) The Clerk was asked to write to Mr. Blissett thanking him for the excellent work done in making the new footway from the top of Moor Lane to the village hall, which has been much appreciated by local residents. However, a complaint was received that the area from the village hall to the gate opposite The Manor House is in a very untidy condition. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Blissett for his comments.

(ii) Mrs. E. Ross had received a complaint that the No. 695 bus from Bristol to Clevedon has now been taken off the Coast Road route. The Clerk was asked to contact Badgerline for an explanation.

(iii) Another complaint was received regarding the hedge outside 'Home View' on the Coast Road, which extends onto the highway and scratches cars as they pass. The Clerk would ask Mr. Blissett to look into this matter.

(iv) Mr. C. Brown enquired whether a waste bin could be sited near "Springhead Cottage" by the brook leading to the footpath, as debris is left by people using this footpath. The Clerk was asked to check whether this suggestion was possible.

(v) Further complaints were received regarding errors on the Register of Electors for Walton-in-Gordano, and the Clerk was asked to contact the Town Hall concerning this matter.

(vi) The meeting was informed by Mrs. E. Ross of the present position regarding the landslide along the cliff path; she stated that negotiations are in hand.

(vii) Mr. C. Brown had attended the Avon Wildlife Trust Forum on the 7th April and gave a report on the items discussed which are as follows: Countryside Stewartship Scheme regarding Walton Common and Middle Hill Common; tipping at Black Rock Quarry; a video for village appraisals and maps; and a temporary site for gypsies at Black Rock Quarry.

772. Councillors' Reports (contd)

(viii) Clearing of tree stump and grass from wall by village hall

On the instructions of the Chairman, the Clerk had phoned Mr. Blissett about these works and was informed that the reason why the 'mounting stone' and the tree stump were left was because he felt it would damage the adjacent wall which may have collapsed. The grass in the wall was also left for the same reason. Mr. Blissett further stated that it would not be cost effective to send two men and a vehicle to clear the grass as it would cost about £200 a day. He felt the footway had been left in a good condition with kerbing and small stones to make it look tidy. Members agreed to take no further action in this instance.

773. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) A copy of the Woodspring Digest was received and circulated to Members.
- (ii) A letter concerning increases for streetlighting was received from S.W.E.B. and noted.
- (iii) Forms regarding 'Countryweek Rural Survey' were received and distributed for completion.
- (iv) A revised list of Meetings in April and May was received from W.D.C. for display in the notice board.
- (v) Copies of Planning reports were received for our information.
- (vi) A letter, together with a leaflet and a poster for display, were received for the Bath and West of England Show.

774. Finance The following three cheques were passed for payment:

Mrs.M.A.Charlesworth	£19.26 (Meeting -Avon C.C.,Bristol)
Petty Cash	£30.00
S.W.E.B.	£10.22 (street light)

*F. J. Baker*  
*W. McLaughlin*

The meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD  
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, WALTON-IN-GORDANO ON THURSDAY, 8TH  
APRIL 1992 at 8.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, Mrs. B.M.Adkins, Vice-Chairman, Mr.C.M.Brown and Mesdames M.A. Charlesworth and E.M.Ross, together with the Clerk.

An apology for absence was received from Mr.N.C.Ashton (District Councillor)

14 parishioners also attended, together with Rev.J.Smart

1. The Chairman welcomes everyone and thanked them for attending this meeting.
2. The Clerk read the Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting which were approved and signed.
3. Chairman's Report
  - (i) Parish Rate The parish council had asked Woodspring District Council for a precept of £1020 for 1992/93.
  - (2) Financial Report The receipts for the period 31st March 1991 to the 31st March 1992 totalled £2133.25; the various expenses incurred for the same period were £1780.80; leaving a balance on the 31st March 1992 of £352.45.

The problem of the landslide along Mariners Path has still not been resolved. The second landslide along this same Path is on land owned by Mr. and Mrs. M.Ross, and negotiations are in hand at present with Avon C.C. Everyone was saddened at the tragic death of Mr. John Long who had been a very valued councillor for four years. Mr.Christopher Brown was co-opted as a parish councillor last month. A petition has been prepared for submission to Avon Highways department regarding a weight/width restriction regarding traffic along the Coast Road. A site meeting is being arranged by Avon C.C. and, hopefully, we will be able to attend.

A footway from the top of Moor Lane to the village hall was discussed with Mr.Blissett and approved by the parish council. An objection to a planning application for the dumping of domestic and industrial waste into the Black Rock Quarry was sent to Avon CC which was also backed by W.D.C. Objections were also raised to a bridlepath across The Common. No major planning applications were received during the year.

The Chairman wished to express everyone's thanks to Mr. and Mrs.S Wills for their continued support in supplying the paper and printing the newsletter. Thanks also to all the councillors for their support, and to the Clerk for her work, and also for typing the newsletter. He also wished to thank Valerie Baldwin for her continued help in planting and looking after the flowers around the Cross Tree.

4. The Clerk informed the meeting that there was no report from the District Councillor.
5. Mrs.Rosemary Tucker, the President of the local Women's Institute, then gave her report. She began by saying the W.I. will be celebrating its 62nd birthday in April. There are currently 34 paid-up members - down a little from last year. In January they finally planted a purple Beech tree in the Old Quarry to commemorate

5. their Diamond Jubilee. They have 11 meetings a year - on the third Thursday evening each month at 7.30 p.m. Visitors and new members are always welcome. Speakers range from crafts talks which inspire them, to speakers on natural history and eye research. In fact, the charity they are supporting this year is the National Eye Research which is based in Bristol. They always support the Church Fete by having a stall, and also the village hall at their indoor table sales. The W.I. also hold a produce and handicraft show in September which is open to members and villagers.

At each meeting a competition is held and also a fund-raising table to help cover the cost of the speakers. Mrs. Tucker finally pointed out that the W.I. has shed its image of 'Jam and Jerusalem' as on offer currently to Members to try are such activities as gliding, pot-holing and absailing.

The Chairman thanked Mrs. Rosemary Tucker for her interesting report.

6. Mr. M. Phillips, the Treasurer and Secretary of the Village Hall Committee, then gave his report. He began by recalling the situation of this committee last year with constitutional restraints and the trustee status. A Special General Meeting was called and a new committee was formed as follows: Mr. A. Akery (Chairman), Mr. M. Phillips (Treasurer and Secretary). The Members are: Sue Brown and Jocelyn Davies. These four are also trustees. The representative members are: Renee Rowles (St. Paul's Church); Emma Tucker (W.I.); and Bryan Tucker (the co-opted member).

The problems regarding finance arose when the demands of the Environmental Health dept delayed the entertainments licence issue which has cost the committee over £700 so far. Even though a number of improvements were carried out, a lot more has yet to be done before the next inspection in August. The probable cost will be £2750. A grant from W.D.C. of £1725 was to be paid over the next 12 months on satisfactory completion of this work.

The activities over the 91/92 year had included a Barbecue, a Party Plan evening, two Table sales, a Ploughman's Supper, indoor bowling and a new venture of table tennis, for which a grant of £500 was received from the Leisure department of Avon C.C. There were 30 plus active members for table tennis. A new table was bought with the result status as a venue for exhibition and friendly matches. This will, of course, also be of social benefit to youngsters in the village.

The financial state of this committee is that the total income up to the 31st December 1991 was £2611 - in comparison to the total the previous year of £1621. The credit balance as at the 31st December 1991 was £322. Mr. Phillips then itemised all the expenditure incurred and mentioned the generous donation made by Mr. and Mrs. Ross from the proceeds of their annual Garden Party.

In conclusion he pointed out that the villagers at their A.G.M. had expressed complete satisfaction with the performance of the Hall Committee, and it is continuing for a further year with their full support and approval.

Mr. Phillips was thanked for his very informative and detailed report.

7. Mrs. R. Rowles, the Secretary of the P.C.C., thanked the parish council for its donation towards the upkeep of the Churchyard. She pointed out that they have to allocate money for repairs to the boundary walls and have already had to pay for repairs to the lawnmower. Therefore, the continued support from the parish council to maintain this essential amenity is appreciated. The P.C.C. is in the process of providing

8. Any other necessary business (contd)

(iv) Neighbourhood Watch After several villagers expressed an interest in this scheme, the Clerk was asked to contact Police Constable Roger Fry about the possibility of a meeting to discuss this proposal. Residents of Walton Bay also wished to be included in this project.

9. The Chairman asked members of the public if they had any subjects they wished to raise at this meeting, and the following matters were discussed:

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(i) Two complaints were received: a tree root protruding out of the wall by the village hall could be dangerous; also a 'mounting' stone in the pavement by the farm gates could cause an accident. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Blissett for his comments.

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(ii) Another complaint was received about the large stones laid along the new footway outside the village hall, and the deep step leading to the hall - both could cause accidents. Mr. Blissett will also be informed of these problems.

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(iii) It was pointed out that cars were being parked outside 2 Manor Cottage. After consideration, it was agreed to place a sign outside the village hall asking for cars to be parked in Moor Lane and to enforce this policy.

(iv) Numerous complaints were received about the landslide along Mariners Path. A suggestion was made that a petition should be prepared and presented to Avon C.C. for their action, and also for a letter to be sent to our M.P. In the meantime, after discussing this matter at some length, it was decided to await further notification from Avon C.C. Father Smart suggested that a public meeting would be a good idea, and also to get our M.P. to attend. It was agreed to put this item in our next newsletter for the views of villagers.

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(v)  
(v) The Clerk was asked to enquire from the Secretary of the Clevedon Golf Club what the present position is regarding the fence across the Manor Woods.

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(vi) A complaint was also made about the wall opposite St. Paul's Church which had been damaged and some of the stones had fallen into the brook. A suggestion was made that uneven stones placed along the top of the wall might be more practical. Mr. Blissett would be contacted for his views.

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(vii)  
(vii) The Clerk was asked to enquire about a litter bin being situated in the layby opposite the Golf Club along the Coast Road.

*C. J. Bell*

*D. W. Hayken*

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, WALTON-IN-GORDANO ON THURSDAY,  
14th MAY, 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT Councillors Mrs.B.M.Adkins, Messrs.R.J.Baldwin and C.M.Brown, together with the Clerk.

Police Sgt. R.Palmer also attended.

Apologies for absence were received from Mesdames M.A.Charlesworth and E.M.Ross.

775. Election of Chairman Mrs.M.A.Charlesworth had notified the Clerk that she would like to propose Mr.R.J.Baldwin as Chairman for the coming year, and this was seconded by Mrs.B.M.Adkins.

Councillor R.J.Baldwin signed the Declaration of Acceptance as Chairman and then took the Chair.

776. Election of Vice-Chairman Mr.R.J.Baldwin proposed that Mrs.B.M.Adkins be elected as Vice-Chairman and this was seconded by Mr. C.M.Brown.

777. Appointment of Committees

- (a) Village Hall Committee After discussion, it was agreed to ask Mrs.E.M.Ross if she would like to represent the parish council on this Committee, and to report back to the next meeting.
- (b) A.L.C.A. It was agreed that the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and the Clerk represent the parish council at the A.L.C.A. meetings.

778. Annual Subscriptions and donations It was unanimously agreed to pay the following subscriptions: A.L.C.A. £20, plus £10.90 for copies of the Local Council Review and posters; Avon Community Council £10.

The donations are as follows: Avon Wildlife Trust £25; Parochial Church Council £150; Citizens' Advice Bureau £10; and The Council for the Protection of Rural England £8.

It was also agreed to send a cheque for £46 to Cornhill Insurance Plc as our premium up to the 1st June 1993.

779. The Minutes of the parish council meeting held on the 8th April 1992 were approved and signed.

780. Clerk's salary and expenses Members were informed that the rate for the Clerk's salary should be £1.17 for each elector on the Register of Electors for the parish. It was, therefore, unanimously agreed that the Clerk's salary be increased to £304.20 per annum.

It was decided that the use of a room in her house as an office be increased by 4% to £72.80 per annum. The Clerk expressed her appreciation and thanked Members.

The question of payment for official telephone calls was discussed, and the Clerk was asked to make enquiries from British Telecom for guidance as to what a fair charge should be.

781. Planning A planning application No.0879/92 for the conversion of the Boiler Room to form a new w.c. at St.Paul's Church, Walton-in-Gordano, had been received and was discussed by Members. It was agreed that no objections be raised to the approval of this proposal. The Clerk was therefore authorised to write to the Planning dept of W.D.C. accordingly.

Vidé Minute 770, the Planning dept had explained the reason for the change of the floor space at 'Cosy Corner', and the Clerk had notified Mr. and Mrs.Ross of the position.

## 782. Items from the Annual Parish Meeting

- (i) A villager had raised the question as to whether a permanent pavement could be constructed leading from Moor Lane to the Village Hall. After discussion, it was agreed to take no further action in this matter as the new footway recently provided is adequate.
- (ii) The subject of the landslide along the coastal path had also been raised, and the meeting was informed that negotiations are in hand. It was suggested that we hold a public meeting to discuss this matter, and Members agreed that, when a final decision has been reached, this item will be included in the newsletter.

An article had appeared in "The Mercury" expressing the concern of Clevedon Town Council about this problem, and the Clerk had contacted their Clerk to explain the position.

- (iii) It was agreed that a sign be placed by the village hall asking that cars be parked in Moor Lane, and not left outside the Hall.
- (iv) The Clerk had contacted the Secretary of the Clevedon Golf Club concerning the footpath leading up from the Manor Woods by the golf course in response to a query from a villager. The Clerk was informed that this path will be fenced in by the end of the year when all works have been completed. This has been approved by Sir William Miles.
- (v) A complaint was received that the wall opposite St. Paul's Church along the brook had been damaged, and some of the stones have fallen into the brook. It was suggested that uneven stones placed along the top of the wall might be better. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Blissett of Avon Highways for his views.
- (vi) The Clerk informed the meeting that a litter bin will be sited in the layby opposite the golf course along the Coast Road by W.D.C. in the new financial year.
- (vii) As there was very little interest shown about entering the Best Kept Village competition, it was agreed not to enter this event this year.
- (viii) We were informed at our Annual Parish Meeting that there are a number of works of maintenance to be carried out to the Village Hall the major job being repairs to the roof. After discussing this matter at some length, the parish council would be prepared to help financially but, as we have already levied our precept for this year, the Village Hall committee would have to wait until our next year's precept. In the meantime the parish council has asked for more information regarding maintenance problems.

## 783. Clerk's Report

- (i) Neighbourhood Watch This scheme had been discussed at our Annual Parish meeting on the 8th April and, as several villagers expressed an interest, the Clerk was asked to contact P.C. Roger Fry about the possible dates for a meeting to be held. These dates were included in the May issue of the newsletter, with a note for anyone interested to contact the Clerk.
- (ii) Weight/Width restriction on the Coast Road The Minutes of the Avon C.C. meeting were received, and noted. When a site meeting has been convened by Avon C.C., this will be mentioned in the newsletter for the information of villagers.
- (iii) ALCA Meeting at Bleadon As no Councillor was able to attend this meeting, the Clerk had sent our apologies.



783. Clerk's Report (contd)

- (iv) Shelter Belts The Clerk was asked to contact Mr.W.Goldstone regarding the weeding and replacing the dead trees in the shelter belts. Mr.Goldstone said he would inspect the sites as soon as possible and send an estimate for the work.
- (v) Cancellation of Bus 695 The Clerk had checked with Badgerline who stated they have now issued new bus timetables. She had also contacted the Director of Transport at Avon C.C. who informed her that this service has been taken over by "Somabus" who are still running it on the same route and at the same times.

784. Councillors' Reports

- (i) The Chairman informed the meeting that he had heard Mr.J.Gummer, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, being interviewed on the radio on the 13th May regarding coastal erosion around the British Isles. He wondered whether Mr.Gummer could give us some advice concerning the landslide along the coastal path. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr.J.Gummer at the House of Commons for some advice and further information.

785. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) W.D.C. had sent leaflets concerning Environmental Health department and these were circulated to Members.
- (ii) Leaflets had been received from English Nature regarding 'Guided Walks in Avon' and were circulated.
- (iii) A copy of the Local Council Review was circulated to Members.
- (iv) A Public Maintenance Agreement form for street lighting was received from S.W.E.B and noted.
- (v) Copies of Planning Reports was received from W.D.C. and noted.
- (vi) The Tidy Woodspring Environmental Group had sent an agenda for a meeting on the 11th May in Weston-super-Mare. The Clerk had sent our apologies.
- (vii) A letter from Mr.D.J.Milteon (Planning Officer WDC) was received asking for information on Town and Country Planning Dissertation. The Chairman agreed to reply to this letter.
- (viii) A letter was received from the Treasurer's dept of W.D.C. regarding Council Tax asking if we would like to receive the relevant part of the Valuation List locally. The Clerk was asked to reply in the affirmative.

786. Finance The Clerk informed the meeting that the first instalment of our precept for £510 was received on the 24th April, and paid into our deposit account.

The following cheques were passed for payment:

Parochial Church Council	£150.00
ALCA.	30.90
Avon Community Council	10.00
Avon Wildlife Trust	25.00
Citizens' Advice Bureau	10.00
C.P.R.E.	8.00
Cornhill Insurance Plc	46.00

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

*W. H. Laughlin*

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL,  
WALTON-IN-GORDANO ON THURSDAY, 11th JUNE 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, C.M.Brown, Mesdames M.A.Charlesworth and E.M.Ross, together with the Clerk.

An apology for absence was received from Mrs.B.M.Adkins.

787. The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting were approved and signed.

788. Planning There were no plans for consideration this month.

789. Clerk's Report

- (i) Neighbourhood Watch After discussing this scheme, it was finally agreed that Mrs.E.Ross will enquire from residents in Walton Bay whether they are interested in attending a meeting with Police Constable Roger Fry. The Clerk will then make the necessary arrangements for a meeting to be convened.
- (ii) Subscriptions and donations Letters of thanks were received from Rev.J.Smart; the Citizens' Advice Bureau, and from Avon Wildlife Trust for our donations. Acknowledgements were also received from the Avon Community Council and from Cornhill Insurance for our annual subscriptions.
- (iii) Shelter Belts The meeting was informed that Mr.P.Miles had agreed to clear the weeds from the three shelter belts. However, the Clerk was asked to contact Mr.Goldstone again about replacing the dead trees in the shelter belts.
- (iv) Farewell presentation for Mr.J.Arbutnot It was agreed that the Vice-Chairman and the Clerk attend this event in the village hall Westbury-on-Trym, on the 25th June.
- (v) Hackswood House The Clerk informed the meeting that Mr.Dickenson had replied to her letter about blocking of the footpath by his house. It was also pointed out that Mr.J.Dyer of the Gordano Footpaths Group had inspected the footpath concerned. Mrs.Reed of Avon C.C. had also been notified. After discussing this matter, it was decided to take no further action.  
Members agreed that the Clerk ask Mr.Dyer for copies of maps of footpaths for distribution.
- (vi) North Woodspring Community Health Group A meeting was held on 6th June at the Folk Hall, Portishead regarding this subject. The Clerk had sent our apologies to the Portishead Town Council.
- (vii) Avon Transport Forum A meeting concerning a bus service direct to Southmead Hospital from Clevedon via North Weston and Portishead has been arranged for the 25th June at the Redcliffe Hall, Redcliffe Bay. The Clerk will send our apologies if no councillor is able to attend.
- (viii) Conygar Quarry A letter was received from the County of Avon regarding the Planning and Compensation Act 1991 - Permission at Conygar Quarry, Clevedon, for our action. After discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk contact Sir William Miles for his comments.

790. Councillors' Reports

- (i) Vide Minute 784 (i), Mrs.E.Ross informed Members that an official from the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food had called to inspect the section of the coastal path damaged by a landslide. However, there has been no further development to report.
- (ii) The Clerk was asked to again contact Mr.Blissett about surfacing the pavement outside Walton Bay Stores, and also to enquire regarding the complaint about the hedge outside "Home View",Walton Bay.
- (iii) A suggestion was made by Mr.C.Brown that a mirror be placed opposite "Brook Cottage" to help access onto the road as there is a lot of traffic coming both ways along the Coast Road.The Clerk was asked to make the necessary enquiries.
- (iv) The Chairman suggested that arrangements be made for a game of Rounders to be held on The Common on the 15th August to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the rights of parishioners to use The Common for recreational purposes.It was agreed to mention this event in the next issue of the newsletter.
- (v) The Chairman had been approached about an idea for the community to run the village Post Office, rather than let it close.After discussion, Members agreed that the parish council be represented if a meeting is arranged.
- (vi) Another proposal was made that the Gardening Club should be approached regarding the display of hanging baskets to enhance the outside of the village hall.Members agreed unanimously to this idea.

791. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) A copy of the Woodspring Digest was received and circulated.
- (ii) A letter from W.D.C. re Enhancement Schemes was received, and noted.
- (iii) A letter from Avon C.C. re Local Government in the Avon Area was received and noted.
- (iv) The Clerk had received booklets re telephone charges from British Telecom, and these were distributed to Members.
- (v) A letter from W.D.C. was received in respect of the Draft Re-cycling Plan, and noted.
- (vi) A letter was received from Avon C.C. enclosing a copy of an Environmental Press Release, which stated that local government in the Avon/Gloucester/Somerset areas are to feature in the first tranche of County Councils to be reviewed by the L.G.Commission.
- (vii) A letter from W.D.C. was received regarding cycling issues in the Woodspring Local Plan.
- (viii) Avon Community Council had sent a copy of the Field Fare - which was circulated to Members.Also enclosed with their literature was a letter from the N.A.L.C. concerning Parish Paths Partnership, together with leaflets, for our comments.
- (ix) A letter was received from the Department of the Environment re The Citizen's Charter: Green Rights and Responsibilities, together with a booklet 'Citizen's Guide to the Environment - which was circulated to Members.
- (x) Copies of Planning reports were received from W.D.C. for our records.

792. Finance A cheque was passed for payment to the Clerk for her salary and expenses; details of which were circulated to Members.

The meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

*R J Ball*  
*D W Langley*

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL,  
WALTON-IN-GORDANO ON THURSDAY, 9th JULY 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, Mesdames B.M.Adkins  
Vice-Chairman and E.M.Ross, together with the Clerk.

Police Constable R. Fry also attended.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs.M.A.Charlesworth  
and C.M.Brown.

793. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

794. Planning There were no plans for consideration this month.

795. Clerk's Report

- (i) Conygar Quarry The letter and document received from Avon C.C. for our comments were sent to Sir William Miles for his views. The Clerk informed the meeting that Sir William had no comments to make as the area is outside our boundary. It was agreed to take no further action regarding this matter.
- (ii) Landslide on the coastal path A reply from the M.A.F.F. was received and read to Members. It was decided that the Clerk write to W.D.C., enclosing a copy of this letter, for their observations.
- (iii) Audit The Clerk informed the meeting of the dates for the annual audit, and pointed out that a notice has been displayed in the notice board showing the dates and times when the accounts will be available for the perusal by villagers.

The Clerk will attend the Audit on Thursday, 20th August at 10.30 a.m. at the Town Hall, Weston-super-Mare.

- (iv) Shelter Belt at Cannon's Valley It was pointed out that Mr.P. Miles is away on holiday until September and, therefore, will be unable to clear the weeds from the shelter belt. The Clerk would contact Mr.Goldstone to ask for his help in clearing the weeds at this shelter belt, prior to replacing the dead trees in the autumn.
- (v) Works of maintenance The Clerk had been informed by Avon Highways department that the surfacing of the footpath by the Walton Bay Stores would be completed by the end of August. She was also notified that a standard letter from that department will be sent to the owner of "Home View" regarding the hedge obstructing the highway. The meeting was informed that this hedge has now been removed, and there is no further action to be taken.
- (vi) Mirror opposite "Brook Cottage" The Clerk had been informed by W.D.C. and by Avon C.C. that it is illegal to place a mirror on the highway, as the reflections of cars could cause accidents. Mr.Brown, the owner of "Brook Cottage" had been informed of these facts by the Clerk.
- (vii) Post Office in the village The meeting was informed that the parish council will be represented if a meeting is convened to decide whether the community should run the post office. It was also pointed out that Sir William Miles agrees to such a meeting being held.
- (viii) Hanging baskets The Clerk was asked to write to the Secretary of the Gardening Club with a suggestion that their members may like to provide hanging baskets outside the village hall to enhance the village.

## 795. Clerk's Report (contd)

- (ix) Hackswood House The Clerk had written in reply to Mr. Dickenson concerning the blocking of the footpath, but had received no reply. It was decided to take no further action. The Clerk had asked Mrs. Reed of Avon C.C. for 'waymark' signs to be sent to Mr. Dyer, and these had been received.
- (x) Commemorative event on Walton Common A 'Rounders Match' and picnic will be held on the 9<sup>th</sup> August at 2.30 p.m. to celebrate the centenary of the parishioners of Walton-in-Gordano being granted the right to recreation on this Common. This event was mentioned in the July edition of the newsletter for the information of villagers.
- (xi) North Weston Transport Forum The minutes of the meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> June by the North Weston parish council regarding the closure of Ham Green hospital, and the need for a bus service to Southmead, was received and noted. We await further details.
- (xii) Cherry Tree outside the village hall The Clerk was asked to enquire why this cherry tree had been cut down. She informed the meeting that the tree had been inspected by a tree expert who confirmed that it was badly diseased and should be removed. The village hall committee have assured us that they will plant a new tree in its place.

## 796. Councillors' Reports

- (i) A complaint had been received about brambles and weeds which are obliterating the "Cross Roads" sign at the entrance of the village. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Blissett of Avon Highways dept regarding this matter.
- (ii) Another complaint had been received about cars parking below "Arodene" on the Coast Road, and the consequence of litter being left here. The Clerk was asked to write to the owners of this house pointing out that the parking of cars at this site is not illegal; and that the parish council has arranged for litter bins to be placed nearby.
- (iii) The Brook in Moor Lane was again clogged by weeds and needed clearing. Mr. Blissett had given permission for Mr. Baldwin to clear this stream earlier this year. However, the Clerk was asked to contact the Highways department to enquire whether the work of clearing this brook could be carried out again.
- (iv) The Clerk was asked to contact Lindee Lu in Nailsea about the present position regarding the third seat, which had been ordered some time ago, for erection along the coastal footpath.
- (v) The Chairman had received the maps of footpaths from Mr. Dyer and these were distributed to Members.
- (vi) The Neighbourhood Watch scheme was discussed with Police Constable Roger Fry who explained the position. After discussion, it was left to the co-ordinators to convene a meeting and to then inform P.C. Fry of their proposals.

797. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) A letter was received from ALCA inviting us to attend a meeting regarding Local Government Review to be held in the Town Hall, Weston-super-Mare on the 15th July. Unfortunately, no councillor was able to attend, and the Clerk was asked to send our apologies.
- (ii) It was also agreed that the Clerk send our apologies to the Clerk of Winford parish council for the ALCA meeting held in Winford on the 8th July,
- (iii) A meeting had been convened regarding the North Woodspring Victim Support Scheme. After discussion, the Chairman agreed to attend, if possible.
- (iv) It was decided to take no action regarding the letter from Oxfam for a house-to-house collection.
- (v) Copies of planning applications and reports were received for our information, and noted.
- (vi) Two copies of the Woodspring Guide were received, and circulated.
- (vii) It was agreed that the Clerk send our apologies to W.D.C. for the Tidy Woodspring Environmental Group meeting to be held on the 14th September.
- (viii) A letter was received from Avon C.C. regarding Mineral working in Avon Local Plan - proposed modifications; the contents of which were noted.
- (ix) The Clerk was asked to return the form received from the National Association of Local Councils regarding Parish Paths Partnership, indicating that our parish council wished to register for this scheme.

798 Finance There were four cheques for payment this month:

Village Hall Committee	£15.00	
Petty Cash	£40.00	
S.W.E.B.	£10.62	
Morgan Westley	£23.62	(2 ribbon cassettes for Clerk's typewriter)

The Clerk asked Members if the petty cash allowance of £30 could be increased to £40 as her expenses had increased since the last payment. It was agreed unanimously to allow the Clerk £40 in this instance only. The Clerk expressed her thanks.

The Clerk also asked permission for the next meeting of the parish council be held on the 16th September, instead of on the 10th, as she will be away on vacation. This was approved nem con. The Clerk expressed her appreciation.

The meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

*R J Balke*  
*W McLaughlin*

PRESENT: Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, Mesdames M.A.Charlesworth and E.M.Ross, and C.M.Brown, together with the Clerk.

An apology for absence was received from Mrs.B.M.Adkins.

799. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.
800. Planning Planning application No.1396/92 was received after our last meeting in July regarding a detached double garage at "The Boma" Walton Down, Walton-in-Gordano for Mr.and Mrs.A.J.Read. As there is no meeting held in August, the Clerk contacted each councillor who all stated they had no objections to the approval of this plan, and the planning department of W.D.C. was notified accordingly. Whilst approving the plan, W.D.C. had imposed certain conditions; these were discussed, and Members agreed with the recommendations set out by the district council.
801. Clerk's Report
- (i) Shelter Belt at Cannon's Valley Mr.Goldstone had informed the Clerk that, when he inspected this site, he found all the weeds had been cleared on the instructions of Mr.P.Miles. However, he agreed to carry out replacing the dead trees in the shelter belts later in the year as arranged.
  - (ii) Landslide on the coastal path The Clerk informed Members that W.D.C. had not replied to the letter from the M.A.F.F. concerning this matter which she had sent to them for their comments.
  - (iii) Audit The Clerk had attended for the annual audit on the 20th August. The auditors had found the accounts of the parish council in order. Their account will be sent for payment in due course.  
A suggestion was made that a new payments and receipts book should be provided with separate columns for cheque numbers and V.A.T. payments. After discussing this matter, it was agreed that the present book is suitable for the time being.
  - (iv) Hanging baskets outside the village hall The Secretary of the Gardening Club replied to our suggestion for this facility; she stated that, due to regular watering and care, it would not be practical to display hanging baskets outside the village hall.
  - (v) Brambles by the "Cross Roads" sign Mr.Blissett was informed of this complaint, and he informed the Clerk he would look into this matter.
  - (vi) Parking and litter by "Arodene" The Clerk had sent a letter to the owners of this dwelling explaining the position.
  - (vii) Brook in Moor Lane Mr.Blissett had informed the Clerk that he would contact Mr.R.Brown regarding the clearing of this brook of weeds and debris. Mr.Baldwin informed the meeting that the matter is in hand.
  - (viii) Seat along the coastal path The Clerk informed the meeting that the firm, who supplied the two previous seats, was unable to provide the third one due to the shortage of materials. The Chairman stated he would make enquiries from another firm and inform Members of his findings at our next meeting.
  - (ix) North Woodspring Victim Support Scheme.The Chairman informed the Members that he was unable to attend this meeting.
  - (x) ALCA Meeting at Nailsea The Clerk was asked to inform the Clerk of the Nailsea Town Council that 3 representatives from our council will be attending this meeting on the 13th October 1992.

802. Councillors' Reports

- (i) Complaints had been received that there were a number of loose stones on the new footway outside the village hall which looked very untidy, and were difficult to walk on. After discussing this subject, the Clerk was instructed to ask Mr. Blissett if this area could be tarmaced over, but without changing the contours
- (ii) Mrs. Ross asked if a damaged litter bin could be replaced on the Coast Road, and for the brambles and weeds to be cleared by the layby along the same road. The Clerk would again contact W.D.C.
- (iii) Another complaint was received that, while Avon Highways were surfacing the footway outside Walton Bay Stores, a ridge of bricks was erected across the lane leading to Two Acres Caravan Site. Members felt this obstruction creates a hazard for pedestrians and the Clerk was asked to contact Avon Highways again for their comments.
- (iv) Mrs. Charlesworth pointed out that the banks and verges along Moor Lane were very overgrown and, consequently the road is much narrower and hazardous for motorists. The Clerk was asked to contact Avon Highways regarding this matter.
- (v) Members were informed that the boundary wall of 'Moorside' in Moor Lane had been damaged on three occasions by cars taking the bend too fast. After discussing this problem, the Clerk was asked to enquire from Mr. Blissett about the possibility of a reflective sign being erected at this site to warn motorists of the narrow bend.
- (vi) The Clerk was asked to contact our County Councillor about the present position regarding the weight/width restriction along the Coast Road which was discussed by Avon C.C. at their Planning meeting in April.
- (vii) The Clerk was asked to write to Mr. M. Phillips, the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee, regarding a donation by the parish council for a specific work of repair to the village hall. She was asked to point out that, as we will be discussing our precept for 1993/4 shortly, the parish council would like to know the sum required.

803. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) Two copies of the Woodspring Digest were received and circulated
- (ii) A booklet 'Our Policing Charter' was received from Avon and Somerset Constabulary, the contents of which were noted.
- (iii) ALCA is holding the AGM at Chipping Sodbury on the 29th October and the relevant documents were received concerning this event. The Clerk was asked to send our apologies. ALCA also sent a copy of the Annual Report. A letter concerning the Avon Gloucester and Somerset area review from the Local Government Commission was also received and noted.
- (iv) A copy of the newsletter from the Southmead Community Health Council was received, and noted.
- (v) A letter from W.D.C. regarding 'Recycling Initiatives' was received, but it was decided not to attend the meeting to be held on the 20th October concerning this subject.
- (vi) It was agreed that the Chairman and the Clerk attend the Annual Business Meeting for Chairmen and Clerks to be held at the Town Hall, Weston-super-Mare on the 11th November.
- (vii) North Weston Parish Council is holding a meeting at the Redcliffe Hall, Portishead on the 29th September regarding the Public Transport Forum. The Clerk was asked to send our apologies.



803. Correspondence not previously dealt with (contd)

- (viii) The Clerk had sent our apologies to the Avon Community Council for the 1992 Annual General Meeting and Village Ventures Prize-giving to be held on the 9th October at Pucklechurch.
- (ix) A letter had been received from the County of Avon regarding Environmental Improvement Grants. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr.Dyer of the Gordano Footpaths Group for his comments.
- (x) A letter from Somerset County Council regarding Local Government Review was circulated to Members.
- (xi) The letter from the County of Avon regarding publicity for planning applications was noted.
- (xii) It was agreed that the Clerk return the form regarding Village Profile to Avon Community Council as correct.
- (xiii) A letter was received from the Avon Wildlife Trust concerning the future of Walton Common, and the work to be done. After discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk reply to Mr.P.Tolerton stating that the contents of his letter will be mentioned in the October issue of our newsletter for the views of parishioners.
- (xiv) A notice for the Avon Structure Plan was received from Avon C.C. and displayed on the notice board.
- (xv) A copy of the Field Fare was received, and circulated.
- (xvi) A booklet re 'Avon Conservation News' was received, and circulated
- (xvii) A letter from Cleeve Parish Council re "Retrospective Planning Applications" was received, and noted.
- (xviii) W.D.C. sent a manual "Civil Emergency External Liaison" for our records.
- (xix) A Questionnaire re Developing an Enforcement Service was received from W.D.C. for completion and return. Mrs. Ross was asked to peruse this form on our behalf, and report back to the Clerk.
- (xx) A copy of the Local Council Review was received, and circulated to Members.
- (xxi) A letter was received from Avon C.C. re Local Government Re-organisation, and noted.

804. Finance Two cheques were passed for payment as under:

Mrs.V.Baldwin	£ 65.00	(cutting and clearing parish footpaths)
Mrs.D.McLaughlin	£113.75	(salary and expenses for the September quarter - details of which had been circulated to Members)

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

*R.J. Ball*

*D. McLaughlin*

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL,  
WALTON-IN-GORDANO ON THURSDAY, 8th OCTOBER 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, Mesdames B.M.Adkins, Vice-Chairman, M.A.Charlesworth and E.M.Ross, together with the Clerk.

An apology for absence was received from Mr.C.M.Brown

805. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

806. Planning There were no plans for consideration this month.

807. Clerk's Report

(i) Clerk's salary After discussing this matter, it was agreed unanimously to provide a new contract for the Clerk's remuneration and expenses. The Clerk expressed her thanks to Members.

It was also agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr.L. Stevenson for his help and advice to the Clerk.

(ii) Village Hall - donation for works of repair The letter received from Mr.M.Phillips, giving items of works necessary for the maintenance of the village hall, was discussed at some length by Members. It was finally agreed that the Clerk reply, stating that the item most beneficial to the parishioners is work to the floor of the hall. However, she was asked to point out that, before we can commit ourselves to spending public funds, we would like to see a professional report from a specialist.

(iii) Environmental Improvement Grants The Clerk had been notified by Mr.J.Dyer that the work of repairing the coastal path would not be entitled to a grant from this source. However, Mrs.Ross explained that two letters had been received by her - one from Avon C.C. and the other from Mr.L.Fox, M.P. concerning this matter, and she was awaiting further action.

(iv) Walton Common Vide Minute 803 (xiii), Mr.P.Tolerton has written to the interested parties about the work to be carried out on this site. Sir William Miles has also been approached. This item was included in the recent newsletter for parishioners' comments. The initial work will be to clear the brambles etc., and the proposed fencing will not be done for at least two years. We await to hear further from the A.W.T. about these proposals.

(v) Works of maintenance in the village The Clerk had been in contact with Mr.Blissett about the various complaints expressed at our last meeting and was informed that the grass verges and banks have been cut back in Moor Lane. However, the Clerk was asked to point out that the hedges and trees along this Lane have still not been cut back. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr.Blissett again about the ridge left in the lane leading to Walton Bay. She was informed by Mr.Blissett that the pavement outside the village hall will be tarmaced as soon as possible. Woodspring D.C. had confirmed that three new bins have now been sited along the Coast Road. However, the Clerk was asked to point out that the brambles etc. by the layby had still not been cut back. The Clerk also informed the meeting that Mr.Blissett will be looking into the possibility of erecting a reflector sign by the bend in Moor Lane to help motorists.

(vi) A.L.C.A. Meeting at Nailsea It was agreed that the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and the Clerk attend this meeting on the 13th October.

## 807. Clerk's Report (contd)

- (vii) Transport Forum North Weston Parish Council had sent a copy of the minutes of the recent meeting concerning this subject; the contents of which were discussed, and noted.
- (viii) Local Government Reorganisation The Clerk pointed out that ALCA had suggested that a letter should be sent to The Local Government Commission in London setting out our views about the proposed Local Government Reorganisation, and with a copy to them. It was agreed that the Clerk send a letter to the Commission stating that we would like to keep to the geographical boundary of the old Somerset County, but for administrative purposes we would prefer the unitary authority to be based at Woodspring.
- (ix) Weight/Width restriction on the Coast Road As our County Councillor was away, the Clerk had contacted Avon C.C. regarding the present position with this problem. She was informed by Mr. Boxall that our petition will be discussed at one of their planning meetings in the new year.

## 808. Councillors' Reports

- (i) The question of the speed of traffic through the village was again raised, and a suggestion was made as to the possibility of traffic 'calming' measures being considered. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Pearce, our representative on the Traffic Management Committee of ALCA, to ask for his views.
- (ii) Concern was expressed at the possible closure of the village post office/shop. After discussion, the Clerk was asked to write to Sir William Miles asking for his comments.

## 809. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) A letter was received from W.D.C. re Planning Applications Publicity, and noted.
- (ii) ALCA notified us that a meeting of Local Government Review is to be held at the Town Hall, Weston-super-Mare on the 21st October. The Clerk was asked to send our apologies.
- (iii) A letter was received from the County of Avon re the Annual Review of Local Bus Services - Consultation on proposed Service Revisions; and noted.
- (iv) Wessex Water had sent a letter and booklet 'Where the Waste Goes' for our information.
- (v) A document 'Local Government Review' was received from ALCA with a letter regarding the Role of Parish and Town Councils in England. These were passed to Mrs. Charlesworth for perusal, and circulation.
- (vi) A newsletter 'Your Future Services' was received from Avon C.C. and circulated to Members.
- (vii) The letter from W.D.C. re 'Retrospective Planning Applications' was discussed, and noted.
- (viii) An Action Pack was received from the Countryside Commission regarding Rights of Way, and passed to Mrs. Charlesworth for perusal.
- (ix) W.D.C. had sent a letter regarding the present position with the Municipal Mutual Insurance; the contents of which were noted.
- (x) ALCA had sent copies of their Financial Account and the Constitution for our information.
- (xi) Leaflets regarding 'Park and Ride' were received from Avon C.C., and circulated.
- (xii) It was decided not to attend a Conference re History and Conservation of Windows to be held in Bristol on the 23rd October.
- (xiii) Copies of Planning applications were received from W.D.C. for our information.

810. Finance One cheque for £10.62 was passed for payment to S.W.E.B. for the street light.

The Clerk informed the meeting that a cheque was received from Woodspring District Council for £510, being the second instalment of our precept. This has been paid into our deposit account at the Bank.

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

*R. J. Baker*  
*W. M. Langdon*

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL,  
WALTON-IN-GORDANO ON THURSDAY, 12th NOVEMBER 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, Mesdames M.A.Charlesworth and E.M.Ross, together with the Clerk.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs.B.M.Adkins and C.M.Brown.

811. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

812. Planning Members discussed Plan 2059/92 - to develop land by the erection of a dwelling house at 'Cosy Corner', Walton Bay, Walton-in-Gordano for Walton Bay Caravan Park Ltd., and it was agreed that no objections be raised to the approval of this plan.

Mrs.E.Ross declared an interest in this matter and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

The Clerk informed the meeting she had been notified by the Information Officer at Portishead that the planning department of W.D.C. would like confirmation of where we would like our plans to be sent for collection either to Portishead or Clevedon. After discussion, it was agreed that any plans for Walton-in-Gordano be sent to Clevedon, and that arrangements be made for the collection of these plans for discussion at our meetings. The Clerk would inform the Information Officer at Portishead accordingly.

813. Clerk's Report

- (i) Change of date for our December meeting It was agreed that our next meeting be held on Wednesday, 9th December, and the Clerk was asked to notify Mrs.B.Adkins and Mr.C.Brown accordingly.
- (ii) Village Hall - donation for works of repair After discussing this matter and the three estimates received from Mr.M.Phillips for work to the floor of the hall, the Clerk was asked to contact Mr.Phillips to request a professional surveyor's report on the condition of the floor, and the works needed to be done before the parish council would consider making a donation.
- (iii) Local Government Re-organisation The Clerk had sent a letter to the Local Government Commission for England with our views, and their reply was noted.
- (iv) Works of maintenance The Clerk informed the meeting that, after contacting Avon Highways in connection with the trees and hedges in Moor Lane, she was told that this work cannot be done without the permission of English Nature. She was, therefore, authorised to contact the headquarters of English Nature at Taunton to explain that mud, silt and rubbish is being washed down onto the road between the two bridges in this Lane, which makes the road narrower and creates a hazard. The Clerk will report on this matter at our next meeting.
- (v) The meeting was informed that the brambles and bushes have been attended to by the layby on the Coast Road. However, the ridge across the Lane leading to Walton Bay has still not been removed. The Clerk was asked to contact Avon Highways again.
- (v) ALCA Meeting at Nailsea The Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and the Clerk had attended this meeting, and we now await a copy of the Minutes of this meeting for our perusal.

#### 813. Clerk's Report (contd)

- (vi) Traffic Calming Measures in the village Mr. Pearce, our representative on the Traffic Management Committee of ALCA, gave some literature on this subject to the Clerk which was discussed. The Clerk was asked to enquire from the Director of Highways at Avon C.C. what the criteria is for such a scheme, and to report back to our next meeting.
- (vii) Village Shop/Post Office After discussing this matter, which had appeared in the local Press, it was agreed to take no further action for the time being.
- (viii) CPRE - Low cost housing in the Green Belt Mrs. M. Hunt, who works for this Group, had contacted the Clerk to ask about our views on this subject. A newsletter was also received from CPRE. After discussion, it was agreed to bring this matter up at our next meeting.
- (ix) Transport Forum An invitation was received from the Clerk of the North Weston Parish Council for a meeting to be held on the 19th November at Portishead regarding the proposed hospital transport scheme. The Clerk was asked to send our apologies. In the meantime, she was asked to find out what area is to be covered under this scheme, and does it include Walton-in-Gordano, or is it restricted to Portishead and North Weston only.
- (x) Audit A letter and account was received from Ernst & Young, Auditors, for the audit ended 30th March 1992. A cheque will be passed for payment of their fee of £52.88. The Clerk was asked to write to them stating the question of PAYE has now been resolved.
- (xi) Annual Business Meeting of Chairmen and Clerks The Clerk had attended this meeting, and will report back when a copy of the Minutes is received.

#### 814. Councillors' Reports

- (i) A complaint was received about brambles across the pavement on Walton Street by 'Sunny Bank', and the Clerk was asked to contact the owner of this property.
- (ii) It was pointed out that the wall along 'Moorside' in Moor Lane has now been repaired, and the reflector sign can now be erected as agreed. The Clerk would inform Avon Highways department of the position.
- (iii) The matter of the Neighbourhood Watch scheme was raised again, and after discussion, it was agreed to leave Mrs. E. Ross to contact the co-ordinator in the Walton Bay area.
- (iv) A complaint was received that fallen leaves on the footpath leading to The Church, are causing a hazard to pedestrians. The Clerk was asked to contact W.D.C. for action.

#### 815. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) H.M. Customs and Excise had sent a letter and a copy of the new VAT booklet for our information.
- (ii) A letter received from Avon C.C. re the draft proposals for the annual review of local bus services for 1992/3, was noted.
- (iii) A letter from the Southmead Community Health Council regarding the future of CHCS in the Bristol and District Health Authority was discussed, and noted.
- (iv) A request for a donation from the North Woodspring Victims Support Group was considered, and it was agreed to discuss this matter at our next meeting.

815. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (v) A copy of the Local Council Review was circulated to Members.
- (vi) A letter was received from the Environmental Services department of W.D.C. regarding a survey of Buildings at Risk. After discussions, the Clerk was asked to send a copy of this letter to Sir William Miles for his information.
- (vii) Copies of the current Planning applications were received for our information.
- (viii) A copy of the Woodspring Digest was received and circulated to Members.
- (ix) It was agreed that our apologies be sent to W.D.C. for the meeting of the Planning and Conservation Committee to be held on the 4th December at Weston-super-Mare.
- (x) Literature was received from ALCA, including a leaflet on the Portishead/North Weston Housing Needs Survey. Also a Press Release re the Local Government Review.

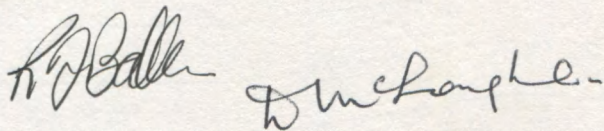
816. Finance Two cheques were passed for payment as under:

Ernst & Young (Auditors) £52.88

Petty Cash £40.00 as agreed by Members.

The Clerk was authorised to order a new Minute Book.

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL,  
WALTON-IN-GORDANO ON WEDNESDAY, 9th DECEMBER 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, Mesdames B.M.Adkins Vice-Chairman, M.A. Charlesworth and E.M.Ross, together with the Clerk. 4 parishioners also attended.

An apology for absence was received from Mr.C.M.Brown

817. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

818. Flooding in the Village County Councillor R.S.Brown, Mr.R.Blissett of the Avon Highways department, and Mr.R.Bowdler, Principal Engineer of Avon C.C., attended our meeting to explain what precautions are to be considered to prevent the severe flooding experienced by villagers on the 27th November - 3rd December.

The Chairman expressed the anxiety of people in the village whose homes had been flooded and pointed out that, with the constant raising of Clevedon Road due to maintenance works in the past, water runs off into adjoining houses instead of flowing down the road. Mr.Bowdler accepted this reason, but thought that, if the culvert in the main stream opposite The Church is replaced with a new larger one, the problem could be solved. It was also felt that the Internal Rivers and the Wessex Water Authorities should be approached for their views. After lengthy discussions, when questions were asked by villagers, it was agreed that Avon C.C. would look further into this matter and inform us of the action to be taken.

Mr.Blissett was thanked for his department's help and co-operation in supplying sandbags to the villagers concerned, and both Mr. Bowdler and Mr.Blissett were thanked by the Chairman for attending our meeting in order to hear the views of the villagers.

819. Planning Members discussed Plan No. BN2242/92 - Building Regulations only to construct a toilet with wash basin at the side of "Castle View", Walton Down, Walton-in-Gordano for Mr.Prebble. The Clerk was authorised to write to WDC stating that there are no objections to the approval of this application.

820. Clerk's Report

(i) Copies of Minutes for the Press The Clerk informed the meeting that she had received a request from 'The Mercury' for copies of our minutes and our newsletter to be sent to them every month. After discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk inform 'The Mercury' that we do not wish to comply with their request; it was further pointed out that all the information they require would be available to them if they attended our meetings.

(ii) C.P.R.E. - 'Low cost housing in the Green Belt' The Clerk was asked to inform Mrs. M.Hunt, a representative for this Group, that our parish council is not in favour of any building in the Green Belt area and has always supported this policy.

(iii) Register of Electors Copies of the new Register were received and displayed in the Church porch and at the Walton Bay Stores for the inspection of parishioners of Walton-in-Gordano.

(iv) Village Hall - works of maintenance A specification, received from Mr.M.Phillips regarding the cost of work to the floor of the hall, was discussed by Members. It was agreed to leave this matter until our January meeting for a final decision.



820. Clerk's Report (contd)

- (v) Transport Forum The Clerk informed the meeting that she had been in contact with Mr. Gudgeon (Clerk of North Weston P.C.) who had given her the names of the two representatives of the Clevedon Care. She had been in touch with Mrs. Lewis who enquired whether we would like to come under the jurisdiction of Clevedon or Portishead regarding transport to and from hospitals. Members discussed this matter at some length, and it was finally agreed that the Clerk inform Mrs. Lewis that Walton-in-Gordano would prefer to be associated with Clevedon Care in this instance.
- (vi) Traffic Calming Measures The Clerk had ascertained from Avon C.C. Highways department that the criteria for these measures are (a) there has to be a speed limit of 20/30 mph operating at present in the village, and (b) there has to be adequate street lighting. She was informed that the matter is now being looked at nationally for rural areas. However, at present there is no possibility of calming measures being introduced in the village. It was agreed to take no further action in this matter.
- (vii) Hedges and Banks in Moor Lane The Clerk had contacted English Nature at Taunton, and was informed that Mr. T. Robinson is the officer who deals with these MATTERS. Mr. Robinson had telephoned the Clerk to explain the position, and said the work would be carried out shortly. He also pointed out that clearing work generally would be carried out in February on this site.
- (viii) Local Government Review Notification had been received from ALCA that a meeting regarding this subject is to be held in Nailsea on the 28th January at 7.30 p.m. It was agreed to confirm who will attend at our January meeting.
- (ix) ALCA - literature It was confirmed that our subscription for 1993/94 will be the same as last year, i.e. £20. A request was also received from ALCA for a donation towards the Centenary Appeal (the suggested level of contribution being 0.5%). A newsletter re Local Charity; a copy of the Field Fare, and the Avon Community Council Annual Report for 1991/92 were also received, and circulated to Members.
- (x) Works of maintenance in the village The Clerk informed the meeting that Avon Highways has agreed to put up a reflector sign by 'Moorside' in Moor Lane, and the work is in hand. W.D.C. had arranged to clear the leaves on the footpath leading to The Church; and Mr. J. Flower had been contacted regarding the overhanging brambles outside 'Sunny Bank'. The ridge in the Lane by Walton Bay has now been levelled and, therefore, no further action is necessary.

821. Councillors' Reports

- (i) The Clerk was asked to write to Avon C.C. and to W.D.C. asking for the present position regarding the stretch of the coastal path at Walton Bay which has eroded due to a landslide some years ago. She was asked to point out that the matter is now very urgent.

822. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) A letter received from Cleve Parish Council regarding "The Role of Parish and Town Councils in England" was noted.
- (ii) Leaflets regarding garden walls - "Better to be safe" were received and distributed to Members.
- (iii) W.D.C. had sent leaflets re district council services and these were distributed to Members.
- (iv) A letter and leaflets were received from W.D.C. regarding a street numbering campaign. After discussion, the Clerk was asked to contact W.D.C. to inform them that the parish council does not wish to participate in this scheme.

822. Correspondence not previously dealt with (contd)

- (v) An invitation was received from W.D.C. regarding a Seminar on Planning Enforcement at the Winter Gardens at Weston-super-Mare on the 3rd March 1993. The Clerk was asked to send our apologies.
- (vi) A letter was received from Woodspring Magistrates Court informing us of the proposed new Court House for the Woodspring Petty Sessional Divison; the contents of which were noted.
- (vii) A leaflet was received from W.D.C. regarding Woodspring Shopping Design, and was passed to Mrs.E.Ross for information.
- (viii) A notice re Adult Education in the Nailsea and Clevedon Area and one for the 'Development of Community Education in Avon' were received from Avon C.C., and displayed in the village notice board.
- (ix) A notice regarding Mineral Working in the Avon Local Plan was received, and displayed in the notice board.
- (x) Copies of planning reports from W.D.C were received for our records.

823. Finance Two cheques were passed for payment as under:

Morgan Westley      £17.45      (Minute Book)

Mrs.D.McLaughlin    £126.00      (salary and expenses for the December quarter; details of which had been circulated to Members).

*R.J. Balk*  
*D. McLaughlin*

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, Mesdames M.A.Charlesworth and E.M.Ross, together with the Clerk.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. B.M.Adkins, Vice-Chairman, and Police Constable R.Fry.

824. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

825. PRECEPT 1993/94 After discussing the letter regarding this subject which was received from the Treasurer's department of W.D.C., it was finally agreed that a sum of £2000 be levied by the parish council for the coming year. The Clerk was asked to write to the Treasurer accordingly.

It was further agreed that a donation of £175.00 be made to the Parochial Church Council for the upkeep of the Churchyard at St.Paul's Church, and a similar sum be donated to the Village Hall Committee for the general upkeep of the hall.

It was also decided to make the following donations: £10 to the Council for the Protection of Rural England; £10 to the Citizen's Advice Bureau; £25 to the Avon Wildlife Trust, and £25 to the Victims Support Group.

Cheques in all these cases will be sent after our Annual General Meeting in May.

826. PLANNING Listed Building Consent No. LB/2331 - repairs to the roof of Cross Tree Farm, Walton-in-Gordano for Mr. and Mrs.C.R.Greenhill, was discussed by Members, who agreed that no objections be raised to the approval of this application. The Clerk would notify W.D.C. accordingly.

Plan No. 0004/93 regarding 'Cosy Corner', Walton Bay, Walton-in-Gordano for Mr. and Mrs. M.Ross was again discussed at some length, and the Clerk was asked to inform the appropriate department of W.D.C. that the parish council is not satisfied at the way measurements of this property were carried out by their officers; it was also felt that the assessment agreed by them was not a fair one. It was, therefore, decided that the Clerk contact Mr. N.Ashton - our District Councillor - for his views

Councillor Mrs.E.Ross declared an interest in this item, and took no part in the discussion or recommendation thereon.

827. Clerk's Report

(i) V.A.T. claim The Clerk informed the meeting that she had sent a claim for £27.65 in respect of V.A.T. payments on our invoices.

(ii) Coastal footpath - landslide The Clerk had written letters to W.D.C. and to Avon C.C. asking for the present position regarding this footpath. A reply was received from W.D.C.; the contents of which were noted, The matter will be kept under review.

(iii) Business meeting of Chairmen and Clerks The Minutes of this meeting, which was held on the 11th November, were received and discussed.

(iv) Village Appraisals by Avon Community Council The Clerk was asked to return the form received regarding this project, stating that we had no comments to make as it is not applicable to Walton-in-Gordano.

## 827. Clerk's Report (contd)

- (v) Transport Forum The meeting was informed that the Clerk had been in touch with Mrs. Lewis of Clevedon Care Group to enquire about the possibility of the village and Walton Bay coming under their jurisdiction for the purpose of transport to and from hospitals in Bristol. Mrs. Lewis had suggested that we write to her, giving all the facts, and her Members will discuss this matter at their meeting in February.

The Clerk was, therefore, asked to reply to Mrs. Lewis, emphasizing that we do not wish to divide the village and Walton Bay into two separate areas.

It was also decided to discuss this matter further at our Annual Parish Meeting in April.

- (vi) A.L.C.A. - meetings and literature A letter and leaflets regarding a training seminar at Rangeworth, and a refresher course for councillors were received; it was agreed that the Clerk send our apologies for both these events. The next meeting of A.L.C.A. is to be held on the 9th February at the Redcliffe Hall, Portishead. It was agreed that the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and the Clerk attend. The Clerk would notify North Weston parish council accordingly.

- (vii) Flooding in the village A letter was received from W.D.C. regarding this matter, and in our reply, it was stated that when the Chief Engineer of Avon C.C., Mr. Blissett and our County Councillor had attended our meeting on the 9th December, it was agreed that an urgent investigation should be carried out in conjunction with the Wessex Water Authority and the Internal Drainage Board. Woodspring D.C. will be discussing this matter at their meeting in February.

The Chairman also contacted Mr. Blissett, and we now await his views and those of W.D.C.

## 828. Councillors' Reports

- (i) The Clerk was asked to remind Mr. Blissett that the reflector sign has still not been erected by 'Moorside' in Moor Lane, and to point out that the matter is now urgent.
- (ii) The subject was raised about the possibility of mains drainage in Walton-in-Gordano, and the Clerk was asked to contact our District Councillor about the present position with regard to this urgent scheme.

## 829. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) The Clerk was asked to notify Avon Community Council that there are no voluntary organisations in our parish.
- (ii) A letter was received from A.L.C.A., enclosing a report from Mr. P. Webb concerning the source of materials to be used on the approach road to the second Severn Bridge. The Clerk was asked to reply, stating that we have no comment to make as we are not affected.
- (iii) W.D.C. had sent a letter regarding the disposal of woody garden waste. The Clerk was asked to contact Mrs. P. Wills and Mr. P. Miles for their views.

829. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (iv) The Clerk had sent our apologies to W.D.C. for the meeting on the 11th January in connection with the 'Tidy Woodspring Environmental Group'.
- (v) The Public Relations department of Avon C.C. had sent a leaflet 'Local Government Reorganisation - Submission of Evidence by Avon C.C.', which was circulated to Members.
- (vi) A news leaflet - 'Avon Consults Public on Budget' was received from Avon C.C. and displayed on the notice board.
- (vii) Copies of planning applications and reports were received from W.D.C.
- (viii) Woodspring D.C. had sent a copy of the Local Government Review - enclosing the document for the Council's case for Unitary Authority status, which has been submitted to the Local Government Commission. These documents were circulated to Members.
- (ix) A copy of the Woodspring Digest was received, and circulated.
- (x) Woodspring D.C. (Environmental Services) had sent a copy of a 'Food Hygiene Handbook' and a leaflet 'Noisy Neighbours' for our information. The Clerk was asked to order five further copies of each publication.
- (xi) A copy of the Local Council Review was received, and circulated.

830. Finance Two cheques were passed for payment as under:

Village Hall Committee	£18.00	(hire of village hall for meetings - period January - June 1993)
S.W.E.B.	£10.62	(street light)

*RJ Baker*

*D McLaughlin*

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL, WALTON-IN-GORDANO ON THURSDAY, 11th FEBRUARY 1993 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors R.J. Baldwin, Chairman, Mesdames B.M. Adkins, Vice-Chairman, M.A. Charlesworth and E.M. Ross, together with the Clerk.

Police Constable R. Fry also attended.

831. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.
832. PLANNING There were no plans for consideration this month. However, our District Councillor has agreed to contact W.D.C. regarding the application for 'Cosy Corner', Walton Bay, Walton-in-Gordano, and will let us have his views shortly.
833. Clerk's Report
- (i) V.A.T. payment A cheque for £27.65 was received in connection with our claim, and was paid into our deposit account at the Bank.
  - (ii) Woody garden waste Mrs. P. Wills kindly made copies of the letter received from W.D.C. for herself and Mr. P. Miles regarding sites for the disposal of this type of garden waste. She suggested the old railway line in Moor Lane may be a possible site.  
However, after discussion, it was decided to take no further action in this matter as the site is on private land and would not be suitable.
  - (iii) Food Hygiene Handbook and 'Noisy Neighbours' leaflets The Clerk had received extra copies of these documents from the Environmental Health department of W.D.C. which were circulated to Members.
  - (iv) Coastal footpath - landslide An acknowledgement card had been received from Avon C.C. in reply to our letter concerning this problem. No further correspondence has been received.
  - (v) Donations to the P.C.C. and to the Village Hall Committee Letters were sent to these two organisations, informing them of our intention to send their donations in May. Mr. M. Phillips, the Treasurer of the Village Hall committee, sent a letter of thanks, and also informed us that the hire of the hall for our meetings has been reduced; consequently we only have to pay £9 in July for this facility.
  - (vi) Street light On the instructions of the Chairman, the Clerk had enquired from S.W.E.B. why the street light is on all night. She was informed that, under the new system, the old time-switch has been replaced by a new photo-cells type of light which is meant to stay on during the night.
  - (vii) Council Tax The Clerk had contacted the Treasurer's department regarding the figure of 101.9 for the banding of properties in Walton-in-Gordano, and was informed that this relates to the number of band 'D' properties (where 2 people are registered) in our parish. Members accepted this explanation.
  - (viii) ALCA Meeting on the 9th February The Clerk had sent our apologies to the Clerk of North Weston parish council.
  - (ix) Cllr. C.M. Brown The Clerk had been informed of the conditions and rules of the absence of councillors from parish meetings by Mr. Jones of W.D.C. After discussing the position, the Clerk was authorised to write to Mr. Brown pointing out that he has missed five consecutive meetings and we would appreciate his comments.

834. Councillors' Reports

- (i) A complaint was made that, after the recent flooding in the village, tarmac humps had been erected in front of the following properties in Moor Lane: 'Home Farm Cottage', 'Benbrook', 'Silverburn' and 'Beckside'. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Blissett requesting that these be removed as they are causing water to flow back into the gardens of these properties.
- (ii) The Clerk was asked to contact the Secretary of the Clevedon Golf Club regarding the fence alongside the footpath across the golf course. It was pointed out, however, that this matter has already been dealt with.

835. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) The Clerk was asked to check with Mr. P. Wills and Sir William Miles about the letter received from W.D.C. concerning Historic Buildings in our parish for which grants may be awarded.
- (ii) It was decided to send our apologies to the Marketing and Development department of W.D.C. regarding the meeting on the 12th February to be held in Nailsea relating to the Woodspring Sea of Flowers project.
- (iii) The Clerk was asked to send our apologies to W.D.C. for the 'Tidy Woodspring Environmental Group' meeting on the 22nd February.
- (iv) It was decided to take no action regarding the letter from the Avon Construction and Environmental Services for grass cutting.
- (v) The letter from the Avon Co-operative Development Agency was discussed, and noted.
- (vi) The Chief Executive of W.D.C. had sent the first amendment to the External Liaison Manual for Woodspring Civil Emergency Plan for our information. The Clerk was asked to file this document with our records.
- (vii) Avon C.C. had sent a notice regarding Mineral Working in the Avon Local Plan for our information. This was noted.
- (viii) An invitation from the Chief Executive of W.D.C. for a Gala Night on the 26th February was received. The Clerk was asked to send our apologies.
- (ix) Copies of the planning reports and applications were received from W.D.C. for our information.
- (x) A copy of the Field Fare was received from A.L.C.A., together with leaflets regarding a new programme of Law courses. Leaflets regarding finance, news from NALC, and publication prices were also received for our information.

836. Finance A cheque in the sum of £40 in respect of petty cash was passed for payment.

*S. J. Baker*

*D. McLaughlin*

The meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL,  
WALTON-IN-GORDANO ON THURSDAY, 11th MARCH 1993 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors R.J.Baldwin, Chairman, Mesdames B.M.Adkins, Vice-Chairman and E.M.Ross, together with the Clerk.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs.M.A. Charlesworth and C.M.Brown.

837. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

838. Planning There were no plans for consideration this month. However, there was a report on 'Cosy Corner', Walton Bay, Walton-in-Gordano in the Planning minutes of W.D.C., which was read to Members. After discussing this application, it was decided that a copy of the relevant extract be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Ross for their information and action.

Mrs. E.Ross declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

839. Dates for the A.P.M. and the A.G.M. After discussion, it was agreed that we hold our Annual Parish Meeting on Thursday, 8th April 1993 at 8.30 p.m. after the Ordinary Council meeting which will be held at 7.30 p.m.

It was also agreed that our Annual General Meeting be held on Thursday, 13th May 1993 at 7.30 p.m.

840. Clerk's Report

(i) Resignation of Mr.C.M.Brown The Clerk had received a letter from Mr.C.M.Brown stating he wished to resign as a parish councillor due to personal reasons. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr.Jones at W.D.C. for his advice regarding the co-option of a new parish councillor, and to take the appropriate action.

(ii) Tarmac 'humps' outside properties in Moor Lane Vide Minute 834(i) the Clerk had contacted Mr.Blissett who stated he would look into this complaint. Mr.Baldwin informed the meeting that he was satisfied with the work done outside his house. However, the Clerk was authorised to contact the other owners of properties in Moor Lane, who are similarly affected, for their views, and then to inform Mr. Blissett accordingly.

A letter was received from W.D.C. regarding the problems caused by the flooding at the end of 1992, together with a report on the action proposed to be taken. This was read to the meeting and the contents noted.

(iii) Clevedon Care A letter had been received from Mrs.Lewis, stating that her organisation was unable to extend help to Walton-in-Gordano regarding transport to hospitals in Bristol, due to increased pressure on their resources in Clevedon. The Clerk was asked to contact the Clerk of North Weston parish council for his views on this matter.

(iv) The Council for the Protection of Rural England An invitation was received from this organisation to a meeting on the 16th March in the village hall at Tickenham regarding 'Quarrying and the Environment - what future for our countryside?'. It was agreed that the Clerk send our apologies.

It was also decided to send our apologies for the Local Plans Seminar to be held in Yate on the 2nd April by the C.P.R.E.



840. Clerk's Report (contd)

- (v) Conservation in Woodspring. W.D.C. had sent a booklet regarding this subject. After discussing this document, it was circulated to Members for their perusal.
- (vi) Historic Buildings - grants After making enquiries, the Clerk had ascertained that there were no such buildings eligible in the parish for these grants. After discussing this matter, the Clerk was asked to contact members of the P.C.C. for their views regarding a grant for St. Paul's Church.
- (vii) Register of Electors Copies of the new Register were received and displayed in the Church porch, the village hall and at Walton Bay Stores for inspection by local residents.

841. Councillors' Reports

- (i) Mrs. Charlesworth had received a complaint from Mr. C. Dunne that there are a number of dead trees in the first shelter belt. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. W. Goldstone for his views.
- (ii) Mrs. Charlesworth had also received a complaint from Mr. Dunne that a number of plastic bags containing litter had been dumped by the stile near the footpath by 'Underwood'. The Clerk had contacted the appropriate department of W.D.C. and the rubbish had now been removed.
- (iii) The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Blissett about a large pothole outside Cross Tree Farm on the Clevedon Road.
- (iv) The Clerk was asked to enquire about the present position with regard to the landslide along the coastal path at Walton Bay.
- (v) A Member raised the matter regarding the notices stating 'Access for walkers only' on footpaths in the parish. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Dyer of the Gordano Footpaths Group for his views.

842. Correspondence not previously dealt with

- (i) The Environmental department of W.D.C. had sent copies of the booklet on Healthy Eating in Avon which were circulated to Members.
- (ii) Documents re the Transport Plan 1993-2013 were received from Avon C.C. and circulated to Members.
- (iii) The Consultation Draft of the Waste Disposal Local Plan was received from Avon C.C. and read to the meeting.
- (iv) W.D.C. had sent a copy of the Local Government Review - Presentation to Town and Parish Councils, and the Situation Report on Progress in the Avon/Glos/Somerset Review Area, for our information.
- (v) A copy of the Local Council News was received and circulated.
- (vi) A letter re the Revenue Support for Local Bus Services was received from Avon C.C. and noted.
- (vii) ALCA had sent a letter from Mr. Peter Weaver (President) re a Refresher Course for Councillors. The Clerk was asked to send our apologies.
- (viii) Planning applications and reports were received from W.D.C. for our records.
- (ix) It was agreed to take no action re the letter from Oxfam - Action Africa Appeal.

843. Finance A cheque for £130.00 was passed for payment in respect of the Clerk's salary and expenses for the March quarter - details of which were circulated to Members.

The Clerk asked if the parish council would pay half of the rental charge for the new installation for her telephone. The overall cost quoted by British Telecom is £29.30. It was decided to defer this request for the time being.

The Clerk also pointed out that the rental of her telephone had increased from the 1st January 1993 to £19.54 per quarter. It was decided to pay the sum of £9.77, being half the cost as agreed previously. The Clerk expressed her thanks to Members.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

*L J Bellin*  
*W McLaughlin*