

WALTON IN GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11TH ^{APRIL} MARCH 2005
AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL, WALTON IN GORDANO

PRESENT: Cllrs. B Cannell, (Chairman) B Baldwin, R Kent and Mrs M Rutley
District Cllr Nigel Ashton
PC Tracey Payne
Mrs C Dixon (Clerk)

1843 APOLOGIES: Cllr Mrs A Charlesworth and Paul Slade.

1844 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: The Minutes of the meeting of 7th March 2005 were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk.

1845 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Traffic Speed Survey on Coast Road – Clerk had ascertained the Speed Activated Sign had been put in place on Thursday 10th March, but did not work on the following 4 days. Cllr Mrs Rutley had spoken to Frank Cox at North Somerset Council who said the battery may have gone. PC Tracey Payne said the police sign is usually taken away each night. Councillors were concerned at the cost of this when it did not work. Clerk to ask for the sign back again and that the time it was there should not be counted against the Parish Council's allocation period. PC Tracey Payne will ascertain if the police sign has a data recording device.

White lining at junction of Moor Lane/B3124 – This item still on contractors to do list. Cllr Kent said there used to be curved arrow lines on the B3124 road entering the villagen

Road Narrows Signs in Moor Lane – On contractors' list be repaired/replaced.

1846 PLANNING:

05/P/0342/WT – Fell Norway Spruce under trees in Conservation area at School House, Walton Street – North Somerset Council acknowledges intention to carry out the above operation.

Sunnybank – Change in ground levels and fencing – No further information to date. Clerk to ascertain present position.

North Somerset Council letter advising of North Area Committee meeting on 24th March and site meetings on 15th March and 18th April -NOTED

1847 CLERK'S REPORT:

- **Correspondence from North Somerset** – No Amendments to Register of Electors – NOTED
- Highways Information Sheets for February and March - NOTED
- Poster advertising public seminar on jobs in North Somerset Council for people with disabilities in Nailsea on 13th April – NOTICEBOARD
- North Somerset Local Access Forum meeting 18th April Backwell – NOTED
- Standards Committee meeting 7th April – NOTED
- Poster detailing SW Members of the European Parliament – NOTED
- North Somerset Council Corporate Management Structure – NOTED
- Advice of website of North Somerset Partnership – NOTED
- Early Years and Childcare Partnership newsletter – NOTED
- Dematters newsletter – CIRCULATED

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1848 CLERK'S REPORT: (continued)

- North Somerset Life magazine – copies not being received in Mercury, District Cllr. Nigel Ashton said he could arrange for copies to be delivered direct from Council.
- Copy of Gov't Office for the South West letter suggesting District Council move on to Local Development Framework and District Council's letter to continue with Replacement Local Plan. – NOTED
- North Somerset Waste Municipal Waste Strategy – COPIES CIRCULATED

ALCA – April Newsletter/Vitalise (formerly The Winged Fellowship Trust)-donations sought/Employment update re parental payments and increase of compensation limits/cancellation of Special General Meeting on 12th March/New Clerks training 2nd April – ALL NOTED

ALCA – Retention of documents required for the audit of Parish Councils – this to be used as guidelines for clearing the PC filing cabinet. (Clerk had been unable to find Minute Book for years 1993-98 whilst searching for some information).

Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs – QUALITY Parishes and Parish Planning – Poster – NOTICEBOARD also Partnership in rolling out Broadband to rural communities CD-Rom – NOTED

Association of Severn Estuary Relevant Authorities (ASERA) – recreation and nature conservation workshop 10.30-2 p.m. on Thursday 28th April at City & Port of Bristol Social Club, Shirehampton. – NOTED

Environment Agency – Brue, Axe and North Somerset Streams Catchment Abstraction Management Strategy – Cllr Cannell to peruse.

Calor Village of the Year Competition – to be brought to the attention of the Annual Parishioners Meeting.

CPRE – Countryside Voice magazine and Fieldwork – NOTED

Clerk had received reply regarding a possible legal document naming Walton Street under Freedom of Information Act (Reference FOI/2005/0065). No such document can be found. Copies of some letters dated November 1988, January 1989, November and December 1991 between the Walton in Gordano Clerk and Woodspring District Council were enclosed regarding erection of street name plates for Walton Street. A copy of a Woodspring District Council letter to a parishioner ending with "...the matter had been discussed at three Parish Council meetings and had also been advertised. The consensus of opinion was that no road signs were necessary or required." Clerk to now go back to North Somerset Street Naming and Numbering to ask for procedures to be put in place to name Walton Street.

Clerk has had no reply to her letter (sent by recorded delivery) to Mr Damien Austin re the car accident involving the Cross Tree on 23rd June 2004. It was agreed that no further action should be taken by the parish council, as this could incur considerable charges. The tree is now in leaf.

Following discussion and agreement to install new replacement noticeboard (the same as at the Cross Tree) by the Coast Road, this item will be put on the next agenda following receipt of part of the precept, which is required to fund it.

Clerk had reply from Mr Conolly, Transport Policy Officer regarding the re-siting of the bus stop on the Coast Road. At the stop opposite the caravan site entrance he has arranged for a bust stop pole to be erected and for contractor to generally tidy up the small waiting area. On the opposite side of the road the bus stop is being moved from the telegraph pole to a new location just beyond the phone box (in due course a timetable case will be fixed to the pole). There should be a white mark at the back of the pavement by the hedge to indicate where the pole should be erected – to move it further away from the corner and road junction so passengers can be seen.

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1848 CLERK'S REPORT: (continued)

Following Clerk giving Gregg Brake a list of jobs for the Parish Gang, she had now received a form indicating the following jobs had been completed – clear debris from verges and gateways in Moor Lane; clear overgrown verges at Harley Hill End; clear gully gratings and drainage hole in wall in Moor Lane and Walton Street; clear overhanging vegetation above Hill Cottage, Walton Street; infill dip on footway outside Cross Tree Farm in Walton Street – it was noted that this had been repaired with loose dust/chippings, which were now being gradually washed away with any rain. Clerk to ask for Parish Gangs to clear Coast Road in Walton and Weston in Gordano parishes when next in the area, which had not been undertaken, also further gully clearing in Moor Lane.

Following Clerk's letter to Highways regarding the grit bin in Walton Bay outside Hill Cottage, Cllr Cannell said when he checked the area, there was a grit bag there.

Highways had replied to Clerk's letter suggesting speed-calming measures at Cross Roads following Mr Redmore's letter, advising that the matter would be investigated. Clerk to send copy of Highways reply to Mr Redmore. Clerk had received further letter from Mr Redmore about his concern of the danger at the crossroads.

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1849 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mr Baldwin – Had rung North Somerset Street Cleaning to sweep the pavements. Advised that contractors refused to do it. An Inspector was called out. Clerk to write to North Somerset about street cleaning.

Cllr Mr Cannell – Had spoken to the Golf Club who are not responsible for the metal railings by the road above Hill Cottage. Unsure if the wooden posts and barbed wire is permanent or temporary. Clerk to write to Sir William Miles asking if there are any documents on ownership of the fence as Parish Council is concerned at what is being done.

Cllr Kent – Concerned about junction where traffic enters Walton Street from Clevedon Road, especially at peak times. Drivers do not stop or give way and go straight across dotted lines. Suggestion of give way sign or stop line. Clerk to write to Highways about this and PC Tracey Payne offered letter of support.

Cllr Mrs Rutley – Upon reading about the Council Tax and under the Freedom of Information Act, Mrs Rutley had obtained from North Somerset Council details of the 750 services it supplies – 65 separate items were for education. Discussion on computer links, with importance of information still being available in paper form for those without computers.

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1850 FINANCE:

Cheque No. 441 signed for £275 for Mrs C Dixon (part clerk's salary)

Cheque No. 442 signed for £8.25 for Walton Village Hall Committee (hire of hall)

Cheque No. 443 signed for £5.20 for SWEB Energy

Cheque No. 444 signed for £44.68 for ALCA membership

Audit papers received from Mazars

Invoice received from Allianz Cornhill for insurance £259.71, due 1st June.

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1851 CRIME & DISORDER ACT:

PC Tracey Payne said dog collars had been found at Holly Lane, Clevedon. Deer in Portbury being hunted and killed and a dead badger found with leash around it. Van seen in various areas where crime had been committed.

The meeting then closed at 8.55 p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 23rd MAY 2005 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL, WALTON IN GORDANO

PRESENT: Cllrs. B Cannell, (Chairman) B Baldwin, Mrs A Charlesworth, R Kent and Mrs M Rutley
PC Tracey Payne
Mrs C Dixon (Clerk)

1851 APOLOGIES: District Cllr Nigel Ashton and Paul Slade.

1852 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr Baldwin proposed and Cllr Mrs Charlesworth seconded that Cllr Cannell be chairman. There being no objections Cllr Cannell said he was pleased to continue as chairman.

1853 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Cllr Cannell duly signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

1854 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Baldwin proposed and Cllr Cannell seconded that Cllr Mrs. Charlesworth be vice chairman and there being no objections Cllr Mrs Charlesworth said she was pleased to continue as vice chairman.

1855 APPOINTMENTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllrs Baldwin and Mrs Charlesworth were happy to continue as representatives on the village hall committee and there were no objections to this. No representative for the Crime and Disorder Act Local Action Team was appointed, as there had not been any meetings recently and it was agreed a volunteer would be sought if a meeting was arranged.

1856 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: The Minutes of the meeting of 11th April 2005 were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk, following the correction of the numbering on the second and third pages.

1857 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Traffic Speed Survey on Coast Road – Clerk to request further survey.

White lining at junction of Walton Street & B3124 - Following Clerk's letter to David Bailey with copy letter of support from PC Tracey Payne, a reply had been received advising he will undertake a site visit. Councillors asked Clerk to write seeking a stop line and sign.

White lining at junction of Moor Lane/B3124 – This item still on contractors list. Clerk to write asking that lines be reinstated as a matter of urgency as it is replacement work and not new lines.

Road Narrows Signs in Moor Lane – Clerk to ask Highways when contractors will be undertaking this work.

Cllr Ashton has arranged for Somerset Life Magazines to be put in box at Manor House.

1858 PLANNING:

North Somerset Council letter advising of North Area Committee meetings on 21st April and 19th May - NOTED

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1858 PLANNING: (continued)

Sunnybank – Change in ground levels and fencing – Clerk had received email from enforcement officer advising he had had meetings/discussions with the owner of Sunnybank and his agent following advice from his manager. It was concluded that the fence could be retained as it is permitted development – it does not require planning permission. It will be stained dark green and a laurel hedge will be planted to screen it. Some planting has already been done on the road side. It is hoped this will lessen the impact and blend in more with the surrounding properties.

The fence is not dangerous although the owner has been advised to get the electricity pole near the road sorted with the electricity company responsible, as it is leaning at a precarious angle. Councillors noted the comments but were still concerned at the amount of earth being supported by the wall. Clerk to forward copy of email to Cllr Ashton.

1859 CLERK'S REPORT:

Correspondence from North Somerset – Spreadsheet showing Premise Licence applications which will be circulated bi-monthly. NOTED

- Care Connect letter identifying areas where there are gaps in services, i.e. shopping, befriending, hospital visits (patient & visitor), gardening, lunch clubs/social activities. Also invite to Care Connect 1st Anniversary at Scotch Horn Centre, Nailea on 11th August. NOTED
- Advice of Complaints Hearing of Standards Committee on 10th May, WSM/ Cancellation of Standards Meeting on 23rd May.
Advice following Standards Committee Complaints Hearing that any Councillor when they become aware of being described as a member of an organisation, even in an ex officio capacity, to ask for the word "member" to be removed if they merely attend as a Councillor to hear the organisation's views. NOTED
- Highways Information Sheet for April – NOTED
- Chaplain sought for W.S.M. Chaplaincy about town (ChAt) NOTED
- Guide to Charges and fees – NOTED
- Various notices concerning Election and Declaration Result of Poll - NOTICEBOARD
- Notice of Public Local Inquiry commencing on 7th June into Replacement of Local Plan – NOTICEBOARD
- National Composting Week – 1-7 May – NOTICEBOARD

Gordano Valley Internal Drainage Board – Acknowledgement of Clerk's letter re BT poles in Moor Lane and advising they will not hinder routine maintenance work on the waterway.

Yanley & North Somerset Environmental Company (YANSEC) – Leaflets for display.

CPRE – Invite to tea on 26th June at Keynsham – NOTED

- Advice of AGM on 10th May, Kingston Seymour Village Hall - NOTED

Highways Agency – Advice of public exhibition 3&4 June at All Saints Church Parish Rooms, Clevedon re proposed northbound climbing lane at Tickenham Hill M5 junction 19 to 20 + preview for Councillors on 2nd June 7.30 - NOTED & LEAFLETS DISPLAYED

ALCA – 2 May Newsletters /Clerks' training events/Somerset Ass. Of Local Councils New Councillor evenings; Cert. in Local Council Admin Training & Support sessions/Guide to taking part in Trafalgar Weekend 21-23rd Oct. – ALL NOTED

Health Advocacy Partnership – Advice of May/June meetings – NOTED

Volunteer Centre – Trumpet Voluntary newsletter - NOTED

Community Action – Advice of Transport Conference on 28th June BAWA Club, Filton, Bristol – NOTED

CALOR/CPRE – Village of the Year Competition – to be raised at Annual Parishioners Meeting

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1859 CLERK'S REPORT: (continued)

Clerks & Councils Direct – Magazine - NOTED

Clerk had written to North Somerset Street Naming and Numbering to ask for procedures to be put in place to name Walton Street. No response as yet. Clerk to chase.

Cllr Mrs Rutley advised that slabs and a pole have been put in place to act as bus stop on the Clevedon direction side. Councillors are very concerned that this is too near the bend coming from Portishead. Clerk to write to Mr Connolly asking why the bus stop could not be placed further along the road and if the parish council can be notified with plans of any future action. Previous slabs had been damaged and broken by vehicles mounting the verge.

Cllr Cannell had perused leaflet from the Environment Agency re The Brue, Axe and North Somerset Streams Catchment Abstraction Management Strategy (CAMS) which is about getting a balance for the use of water. Comments sought about any changes to usage. Clerk to ask parish gangs to clear litter off Coast Road in Walton and Weston in Gordano parishes.

Clerk had written to Sir William Miles about the wooden posts and wire on the edge of the golf course near Walton Street, instead of the railings. She had received a reply that the Golf Club are responsible for their fences and the Clerk will now write to them.

At this point, PC Tracey Payne was invited to give a report. There was nothing to report relating to crime, although a caravan had been stolen from a driveway in Castle Lane, Clevedon.

Tracey hoping to get speed sign to Walton for a morning and 5 p.m. overnight. Concern it may be too wide for Walton Street. Cllr Kent suggested and offered the space outside Church Farm.

2 sections of 2 large mobile homes had been delivered to a Coast Road site, but no congestion.

Community Contact Vehicle visiting villages 1 hour at a time at Government insistence it be used. PC Tracey Payne said there were mixed reactions about its effect. Security pens, literature and alarms can be issued. Walton had not had a visit yet as no suitable stopping place. Cllr Kent offered to have it sited on his land at Church Farm. Time and date to be agreed. Details to be put in information sheet.

Cllr Mrs Rutley asked PC Tracey Payne why sirens used on police cars going to and from Police HQ. PC Payne said lights and sirens used at discretion of driver where it is necessary for them to be used to progress safely. It could have been driver training, the necessity outweighing any inconvenience. There was discussion on driver training around HQ roads and near schools.

PC Tracey Payne then left the meeting.

1860 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mr Baldwin – Following Clerk emailing North Somerset about street cleaning, she had been advised John Carson would be contacting her about the state of the pavements. Asked Clerk about reclaiming VAT, which she will be actioning. Following media reports of the possible closure of Clevedon Cottage Hospital it was agreed Clerk should write to the Primary Care Trust opposing any closure. Reminded all Councillors to advise Clerk if they are unable to attend a PC meeting as 3 Councillors are required for a meeting to take place. Will ascertain when bandage can be taken off cross tree.

PC Payne had monitored the delivery of.

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1860 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS: (continued)

Cllr Mr Cannell – Potholes on B3124 (as per Cllr Charlesworth's report)

Cllr Kent –

Cllr Mrs Rutley – Rosebank – large quantities of building material still being delivered there. Clerk to ask enforcement officer to check. Barton Homes – delivery of mobile homes which are much higher than they were before. She has contacted ~~and written to~~ Manager of site.* Asked Clerk to chase Highways re reinstatement of white lines near Hill Cottage following resurfacing. Sunnybank – believe there is no proper drainage facility.

Advised Councillors that the church is available to the Parish Council for meetings should the need arise.

Cllr Mrs Charlesworth – More rubbish in Moor Lane in first gateway on right hand side past bend. Water collecting in gully on bend in Moor Lane. Potholes on B3124 going towards Holly Lane on left hand side.

** reference the delivery of a park home.*

1861 FINANCE:

Cheque No. 445 signed for £34.50 for Mr B Cannell (expenses)

Cheque No. 446 signed for £259.71 for Allianz Cornhill (insurance premium)

Cheque No. 447 signed for £25.00 for CPRE membership

Cheque No. 448 signed for £13.75 for Walton Village Hall Committee (hire of hall)

Clerk had circulated accounts for y/e 31st March 2005 and following agreement by Councillors Chairman and Clerk signed them.

1862 CRIME & DISORDER ACT:

See last paragraph under Clerk's report.


1863 NOTICEBOARD FOR COAST ROAD

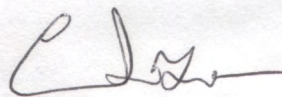
Following discussion it was agreed to install new replacement noticeboard (the same as at the Cross Tree) by the Coast Road, this will cost £505 + £15 carriage and VAT. New board to be delivered to Cllr Kent's address who offered to lend a hand in installing it. Clerk to order.

1864 ANNUAL PARISHIONERS MEETING

Agreed to hold this at 8 p.m. on Monday 13th June following the parish council meeting at 7 p.m. Clerk to send invites to representatives of WI, church and village hall and ask for written reports if unable to attend.

The meeting then closed at 9.15 p.m.


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PRESENT: Cllrs. B Cannell, (Chairman) B Baldwin, Mrs A Charlesworth, R Kent and
Mrs M Rutley
Paul Slade (Liaison Officer)
Mrs C Dixon (Clerk)

1865 APOLOGIES: District Cllr Nigel Ashton and PC Tracey Payne .

1866 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: The Minutes of the meeting of 23rd May 2005 were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk, following the insertion of the words "PC Payne had monitored the delivery of 2 sections of ..." on the fifth line in the final paragraph commencing "At this point, PC Tracey Payne was invited to give a report" under item 1859. Also under item 1860 – Councillors' reports – Cllr Mrs Rutley - on the third line, sentence amended to read "She has contacted the Manager of the site reference the delivery of a park home."

1867 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Traffic Speed Survey on Coast Road – Clerk had received email from John Painter, following her email David Bailey, saying "council-owned trailer-mounted speed activated sign is operated for us by the Police, who have suitable towing vehicles and drivers trained in towing. Generally, the Police decide where to use the sign, but do take it to sites on our behalf on request, as in the case of the Coast Road at Walton in Gordano. I understand that when it was in use there, there was a problem with the battery not recharging for part of the time. I will contact the Police to request that they take it there again. At present, we are only able to use the sign as a traffic calming measure, in which role it seems to be very effective. We are not currently able to use it to collect speed data, but I would anyway doubt the usefulness of any such data, due to the traffic claming effect. In order to obtain speed data representative of the normal situation, we would need to install tubes and a traffic counter." Clerk to reply asking for Walton in Gordano to be kept on the rota in the same locations. It was noted that a speed-activated sign had been outside the village hall two weeks previously.

White lining at junction of Walton Street & B3124 - Clerk to chase ~~for~~ *Highways*.

White lining at junction of Moor Lane/B3124 – This item still on contractors list. Clerk to chase Highways about this.

Road Narrows Signs in Moor Lane – Clerk to chase Highways for reply when contractors will be undertaking this work.

1868 PLANNING:

North Somerset Council letter advising of North Area Committee meeting on 16th June -
NOTED

Sunnybank – Change in ground levels and fencing – Clerk to ask Nigel Ashton for his views on North Somerset Council's statement regarding the installation of fencing and bushes and that the wall is safe with the increased ground level behind.

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1868 PLANNING: (continued)

05/P/1166/F – Application for erection of a rear conservatory at Drovers Brook, Moor Lane, Walton in Gordano – Following Cllrs Cannell, Baldwin and Mrs Charlesbrook declaring an interest in the above, it was agreed that no comment could be made by the parish council on the application as only two councillors remaining who could give views. Clerk to write to Standards Committee and ALCA seeking their help when councillors declaring an interest outnumber those when discussing a particular issue. Clerk to write to Planning Dept. explaining position in this case.

1869 CLERK'S REPORT:

Correspondence from North Somerset – Standards Committee meeting 7th July – NOTED

- General Purpose Gang – Parish/Town Allocation – in area first week in June, last week in August, third week in November, third week in March (2006) NOTED
- Parish Voice – North Area Committee – advice of dates and deadlines for notification of parish voice items. – NOTED
- Poster re jobs with North Somerset Council for those with disabilities – NOTED
- List of Applications for licensed premises – NOTED
- Code of Conduct – reminder to update register of interests – NOTED
- Amendments to Register of Electors – NOTED
- Municipal Calendar 2005/2006 – NOTED
- Bristol International Airport Master Plan Progress – invitation to meeting re update on Plan on 27th June, Weston Super Mare – NOTED
- North Somerset Rights of Way Improvement Plan – there were no comments on this.

Avon & Somerset Constabulary – Letter and poster re Police station opening times in North Somerset - NOTICEBOARD

Health Advocacy Partnership – Poster re public meetings – NOTICEBOARD and database update form – Clerk to reply that PC to continue to receive notices.

ALCA – June Newsletter/Employment Seminar 16th July at Jubilee Pavilion Long Ashton/Car allowances 2005-06/Employment Update – Parental payments and increase of compensation limits – ALL NOTED

ALCA, North Somerset Group – Advice of AGM on 21st June and nomination form/Minutes of meeting 15th February - ALL NOTED

CPRE – Newsletter – Circulated

Clerk had received reply from the Local Land Charges Officer at North Somerset re naming of Walton Street, advising that it was not normal Council procedure to formally name streets that have been in existence for a large period of time, except where it is for the reasons of public safety. So that request could be considered further, Parish Council to provide details of the reasons for the request. Clerk requested to send a copy of the original letter to North Somerset. Clerk to chase Mr Connolly for reply re position of bus stop on Coast Road.

Clerk had not received any more information about the possible visit of the Mobile Police Van and she will contact PC Tracey Payne about this.

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1869 CLERK'S REPORT: (continued)

Clerk had received reply from Clevedon Golf Club about the wooden posts and wire on the edge of the golf course near Walton Street, instead of the railings - "The Club are responsible for the boundaries, however on this occasion it is a matter of record that the metal railing fence is the responsibility of Highway Services. This fence was knocked down by a car some years ago and was scheduled for repairs, which have not yet been carried out due, presumably, to budgetary constraints within Highway Services. Unfortunately, the Club have had several trespass and vandalism incidents recently and the barbed wire was erected to prevent easy access to the course from the road. It is intended that the barbed wire will not be a permanent solution and it will be removed once the original fence has been repaired by Highway Services." A copy of a letter written to Highway Services by the Miles Estate had also been received by the Clerk, asking them to repair or replace the metal railings. Clerk also to write to North Somerset Highways reiterating this request.

1870 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mr Baldwin – Clerk had written to John Carson about street cleaning, but no reply yet received. Cllr Baldwin had ascertained that plastic bandage is protecting bark on Cross Tree and should be left on until the end of summer.

Cllr Mr Cannell – Potholes on B3124 near Clevedon getting worse. Asked Clerk to ascertain from North Somerset Council when verges are cut, as they need cutting in Moor Lane.

Cllr Kent – Nothing to report.

Cllr Mrs Rutley – Nothing to report.

Cllr Mrs Charlesworth – Rubbish in Moor Lane had been cleared. There is overgrown vegetation by the stream. Clerk to contact Highways and Internal Drainage Board. Concern that there should be traffic calming opposite Church Farm, Walton Street and the Old School House as traffic going too fast. Asked if street cleaner could clean Walton Street. Style by Plumtree Cottage leading into field is very unsafe, also footpath going through woods overgrown. Clerk to ask North Somerset to clear.

1871 FINANCE:

Chairman read out Statements of Assurance on the Annual Return form for the auditors. All answers were "yes". Chairman and Clerk then signed the form and it was agreed that Clerk should ask Mr Roy Betts if he would again act as internal auditor for the parish council.

1872 CRIME & DISORDER ACT:

A money box had been taken from a shed at Church Farm, where produce is sold. Cllr Baldwin offered to be the parish council's representative if a Local Action Team meeting was arranged.

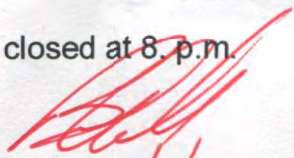
1873 NOTICEBOARD FOR COAST ROAD:

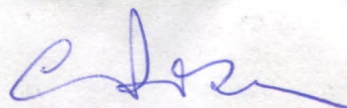
Has been ordered and awaiting delivery.

1874 TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL CHARTER (PART 1):

Clerk had received and circulated copies of this from North Somerset Council. However, there were pages missing and Clerk will ask for these.

The meeting then closed at 8. p.m.


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**MINUTES OF WALTON IN GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL PARISHIONERS MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 13th JUNE 2005 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8.00 p.m.**

PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs A Charlesworth, B Baldwin, B Cannell, Mrs M Rutley, Mr Paul Slade, Liaison Officer, North Somerset Council, Mrs C Dixon (Clerk), 9 members of the public

1875 APOLOGIES: Cllr R Kent, District Cllr Nigel Ashton, PC Tracey Payne and Mr and Mrs Hollingsworth,

1876 MINUTES OF LAST YEAR'S PARISH MEETING: Following circulation of the minutes these were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

1877 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT/FINANCIAL REPORT: See attached copy of the report.

1878 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCIL: *Paul Slade* circulated a précis of North Somerset Council's performance ratings. Not everybody is receiving the North Somerset Council Life Magazine. North Somerset transferring council housing stock to new housing association, giving better improvements to houses. The Housing and Social Services Departments will be divided up into Children/Young Peoples' Services and Adult Social Services/Housing. In answer to a query from a parishioner, Council will not be building new council houses, but encouraging housing associations to do so. North Somerset Council will retain the responsibility for finding housing for the homeless.

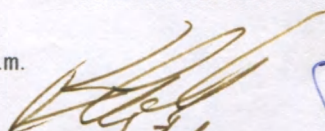
1879 REPORT FROM THE CHURCH COMMITTEE: *Report given by Sue Betts.* Following a church buildings structural survey which takes place every 5 years £6,000 was required for necessary repairs. This was on top of other bills including clergy wage bill of nearly £9,000 in 2004. Even with good fund-raising in the past, it was hoped to reach the target in 2 years. However, by the end of 2004, £6,050 had been raised. Sue praised the generosity of the community and thanked the whole of the parish. In 2005 there is a gap of £2,000 between regular income and expenditure, but Sue was confident the community could fill that gap. In addition, there has been much fund-raising for outside charities, which is a fundamental part of a church community. In 2004 £2,000 was raised for various charities including over £1,000 for The Babe Appeal. The 2005 appeal is for Wells in Africa to provide fresh drinking water, part of the Making Poverty History campaign. All this is done with love, joy and fellowship.

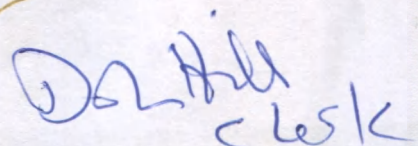
1880 REPORT FROM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE: *Clerk read out report received from Mary Blake.* Another busy year with members holding coffee mornings and a lunch in a member's garden. The Produce and Handicraft show is a highlight of the year and hoped the village's too. It was very successful last year with twice as many entries as the year before. WI took part in the flower festival and manned a stall at the Village Fete. Topics covered by speakers have included the Police on crowd control, travels around Canada on a greyhound bus, the work of the Langford Trust Veterinary School, riding a bike from Clevedon to Cambridge and the experiences of working at Bletchley during the war. WI celebrated its 75th Birthday in April with excellent meal at Masonic Hall. In May there was an outing to Teignmouth with good weather. The WI is a friendly group and would be pleased for any ladies to join them as visitors or new members at any time.

1881 REPORT FROM VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE: Substantial repairs made to hall. Before winter new rendering was put on the outside of the hall and metal roofing. Painting of the exterior of the hall has just been completed with three coats of paint. Thanked all those who had helped. Repairs made to the back fire exit door and door to the disabled ladies toilet which both shut properly now. Repairs made to floor in the kitchen due to dry rot. Also non-slip floor put in at back area. High level of bookings for the hall increasing income, plus village fete and plant sale (profits shared between hall and church).

1882 FURTHER PARISH MATTERS: **CPRE/Calor Best Kept Village of the Year Competition** - although too late for this year, this was put before the meeting in case any villagers wished to proceed further with this next year. Discussion on the tidying up of individual private property. Bristol Airport Expansion - Ongoing public consultation process. Parishioners encouraged to look at the plans. **Traffic Speed Monitoring** - mobile speed activated signs provided by North Somerset Council/the police should appear on a rota basis on the Coast Road and in the village. In answer to a query from a parishioner, Chairman said most equipment does not record traffic speed, as it is designed to slow vehicles down and any data would not be a true record. Response is that some drivers treat it as a game to see how fast they can go. Since new initiative only 2 offences in parish. Generally, consensus is that it does slow the traffic. Discussion on speed of traffic on Coast Road and suggestion of speed humps, but these not favoured by emergency services. **Verges** - by the top of the golf course between Rainbow House and Arodene overgrown. It was believed path/verge clearance stopped by North Somerset Council due to insurance issues. Parishioner said this verge slopes towards road with dip between road and verge with loose chippings making walking dangerous. Chairman said that this road is in a rural area and verge is not a pavement. **Path outside Severn Leigh has loose gravel** - which could be dangerous for pedestrians. This is Highways responsibility - possibility of parish gangs clearing. **Still problems with Harley Hill Lane/Moor Lane** - North Somerset Council said they would ask a farmer to clear, as they do not have resources, but nothing has been done. **White lines on road** not replaced following new road surface. **Gulley between Church Farm and Old Chapel** not cleaned. **Chairman said** Parish Council had continually written to Highways about above items, but were frustrated at the lack of action and asked parishioners to write to North Somerset Council about any outstanding problems. Also suggested raising any problems at the regular monthly Parish Council meetings. **Concern about vegetation growing over wall** towards road at Sunnybank - Parish Council to ask owner to clear. **Parish Council to ascertain planning guidelines regarding extensions to properties** in green belt. Parishioner said that some whole items submitted for the **Information Sheet were omitted** and Editor had been advised of this. Budget allows for 3 sheets per issue. Chairman said that this item should not be discussed at the meeting as Editor not present and suggested written comments be sent to Parish Council. **Chairman thanked Colin Greenhill** for keeping village hall up together.

There being no business the meeting closed at 9.40 p.m.


8/5/06.


Clerk

Walton-in-Gordano Parish Council
Chairman's report to the Annual Parishioners Meeting Monday 13th June 2005

This last year has been one of changes.

In October 2004, Councillor Bob Baldwin resigned as Chairman of the Parish Council after a period of 20 years service. Over these years he has diligently and tirelessly worked to serve the interests of the Parish of Walton and its parishioners. In that time he has liaised with numerous changes of Parish Councillors, Clerks, Local Councillors and Local Authorities. I'd like to formally record the thanks of the Parish Council and the Parish of Walton-in-Gordano to Bob for his efforts on our behalf.

I'm glad to say that Bob continues to serve on the Parish Council where his wealth of knowledge and guidance is most welcome.

Following discussions, Councillor Mr Brian Cannell was elected as Chairman from November and has since been re-elected at the May Parish Council AGM. Councillor Mrs. Ann Charlesworth was reaffirmed as Vice Chair from November and continues to provide solid support and advice as Vice Chair following re-election at the May AGM.

Councillors Bob Baldwin and Ann Charlesworth continue as the Parish Council's representatives on the Village Hall committee.

In December 2004 we marked the sad passing of Mrs. Barbara Adkins. Barbara not only lived for many years in the village but served on the Parish Council variously as Clerk to the Council, Councillor and latterly Vice Chair. We extend our sympathies to Barbara's family and friends.

Also at the December 2004 meeting, Mr Richard Kent was co-opted onto the Parish Council to join Mrs. Maureen Rutley who had been co-opted in July 2003. In January 2005 Dr Colbrook was co-opted but unfortunately, due to work commitments, had to resign before his first meeting. I wish to record our thanks to him for his interest in the Parish.

This last year has also seen a change in the editorship of the Parish Information Sheet. In May 2004, after sterling work, Mrs. Maureen Rutley stepped down and following a brief inter-regnum Mr Michael Rollingsworth took up the reins. Thanks go to Maureen for her work over the years and also to Michael and all those involved in the production and distribution of this valuable resource.

One of the biggest changes nationally that has influenced the Parish Council, was the introduction in January 2005 of the Freedom of Information Act. This opens up most public bodies to much more detailed scrutiny and makes available as a matter of law a wealth of information that was previously unobtainable.

The issue of the naming of the 'Coast Road' has arisen again. This is progressing through the required channels within North Somerset Council.

At the Parish Council meetings we have had information presented from various local bodies including the Police and Avon Ambulance service. We continue to work with these groups who input information to us as appropriate.

Traffic speed monitoring at various sites in the Parish with mobile vehicle speed measuring and warning signs has started using both the Police and North Somerset Council owned equipment. These are new initiatives and we hope to see results in due course in the form of reduced use of inappropriate speed and consequently a safer environment for all.

There continues to be a healthy and steady flow of planning applications from the Parish for generally appropriate developments and property enhancements. There are some areas where North Somerset Planners have concerns and these are being closely monitored.

Moving to Finance.

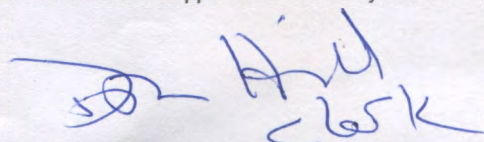
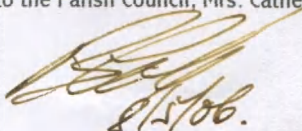
The Precept for 2005/6 was set during the January 2005 Parish Council meeting at a level of £2800. Whilst this is a significant increase over last year's precept, due to the overall size of the precept, the effect of any increases in budgeted expenditure, for example, insurance or one off costs will be seen as a large percentage increase in the precept amount.

This year we budgeted £580 to replace the notice board in Walton Bay with one as similar as possible to that located by the Cross Tree. That new board should be erected in the next couple of months. We also increased the donation to the Fete Marquee by 25% from £400 to £500. Increases in insurance premiums and electricity / rental costs were also a factor in the increased precept.

The Council is very conscious of where the resources it spends come from and it makes every effort to ensure that the Parishioners of Walton-in-Gordano get value for money.

I would like to thank those who have shown an interest in the Parish and its Council over the last year and encourage those who have yet to do so. This is your village and your community. It's up to everyone to make it what we want it to be.

Finally, on behalf of the Parish, I would like to thank my fellow Councillors: Mrs Ann Charlesworth, Mr Bob Baldwin, Mrs Maureen Rutley and Mr Richard Kent and the Clerk to the Parish Council, Mrs. Catherine Dixon for their hard work and support over the last year.



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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11th JULY 2005 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL, WALTON IN GORDANO

PRESENT: Cllrs. B Cannell, (Chairman) Mrs A Charlesworth and Mrs M Rutley
Paul Slade (Liaison Officer)
Mrs C Dixon (Clerk)

1883 APOLOGIES: Cllrs B Baldwin, R Kent, District Cllr Nigel Ashton and PC Tracey Payne .

1884 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: The Minutes of the meeting of 13th June 2005 were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk.

1885 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Traffic Speed Survey on Coast Road – It was agreed this item can be taken off matters arising,

White lining at junction of Walton Street & B3124 - Clerk to continue to chase Highways.

White lining at junction of Moor Lane/B3124 – . Clerk to chase Highways about this.

Paul Slade had asked Highways when the above lines would be carried out, but Highways could not give a date.

Road Narrows Signs in Moor Lane – . Paul Slade said he had asked Highways about the signs, who were uncertain as to why they were there in the first place. Clerk to chase Highways for reinstatement of the signs following vandalism, which are to warn of the narrow bridge.

1886 PLANNING:

North Somerset Council letter advising of North Area Committee meeting on 14th July -
NOTED

Sunnybank – Change in ground levels and fencing – Clerk had not received a reply from Nigel Ashton re his views on North Somerset Council's statement regarding the installation of fencing and bushes and the safety of the wall with the increased ground level behind. Clerk to ask for urgent response

05/P/1356/F – Application for erection of single storey front extension at Highcliffe, Walton Street. Following discussion, there were no objections to the proposals, although it was noted that the extension would considerably increase the size of the house .

05/P/1166/F – Application for erection of a rear conservatory at Drovers Brook, Moor Lane, Walton in Gordano – Cllr Cannell had viewed this application on the new North Somerset Planning website. Planning permission had been approved. However it is believed the Gordano Internal Drainage Board will object to any development inside of 9m. of a watercourse for which they are responsible and because of their engineer's report. It would make stream clearance difficult. Any building should not be closer to the brook than the current structure. There is also the stability viewpoint.

05/P/1511/PDT – Proposed Vodafone installation at cell 35383 Kennel Farm, North Woods Lane, Clevedon. This application had been forwarded for information only.

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1887 CLERK'S REPORT:

- Correspondence from North Somerset – Corporate Training and Development – Late availability – Bulletin with details of training courses available – NOTED**
- Starting School – September ;2006 Poster – NOTICEBOARD
 - Wake up to Wildlife – Local Nature Reserve Celebrations 17-24 July 2005 – NOTICEBOARD
 - Amendments to Electoral Register – NOTED
 - Advice of North Somerset Local Access Forum Meeting 12th July – NOTED
 - Advice of Standards Committee Meeting 7th July – NOTED
 - Town/Parish Clerk Survey 2005 – Feedback due in mid July – NOTED
 - Advice of Real Nappy Campaign/Real Nappy Week (20-26 June) NOTED
 - Publicity for North Somerset Council's car share scheme – NOTED
 - Care Connect 1st Anniversary on Thursday 11th August and not Wednesday 11th August as previously advised – NOTED
 - Mobile Library Service leaflets – NOTICEBOARD
 - List of applications for licensed premises – NOTED
 - Highways May Information Sheet – NOTED

ALCA – Charters (Strengthening Local Government) Course 9/8/05/July Newsletter/Pointers to Good Practice – A guide for town/parish councils – ALL NOTED

Health Advocacy Partnership – Calendar of meetings in public – NOTICEBOARD

Gordano Councils Transport Group – Advice of AGM on 5th July – NOTED

North Somerset NHS Primary Care Trust – Reply in response to Clerk's letter re concern at possible closure of Clevedon Hospital. Confirmation that Hospital will not close, but may be rebuilt on present site or elsewhere. - NOTED

Clerks & Councils Direct – Magazine – NOTED

CPRE – North Somerset Newsletter - NOTED

Following Clerk providing the Local Land Charges Officer at North Somerset with a copy of original letter to North Somerset requesting the official naming of Walton Street with signs, no further response has been received.

Clerk received reply from Paul Connolly re position of bus stops on Coast Road. Following his inspection, the bus stop by the phone box is not sited in the specified location and will be moved. The redundant bus stop flag on the telegraph pole will be removed and a small timetable case fixed to bus stop pole. It is not proposed to move the bus stop on the opposite side of the road in Clevedon direction as Highways believe it is not dangerous. Also there is not funding available for improvement works on the bus service 660. However the foliage has been cleared and also a small waiting area with a bus stop sign installed. Mr Connolly said he would press First Bus for the timetable case at Walton Village Hall stop. Councillors noted this reply. Clerk was still trying to contact PC Tracey Payne (who is off sick) about the possible visit of the Mobile Police Van.

Clerk had written to Highways urging reinstatement of the metal railing fence on the boundary of the Golf Club by the Coast Road, but has not received any response and will chase for reply.

Clerk had received copy letter from Mr Rowles to Highways regarding the non clearance of road gulleys on the Coast Road as he was concerned about any flash flooding as a result. A copy of Mr Ingersent's reply had also been received advising that the roads in Lady Bay were not adopted. Cllr Mrs Rutley advised that Mr Rowles had written a further letter to Mr Turner saying he was not referring to Lady Bay road gulleys and giving details of drains not cleaned. Also grit on road remaining from road resurfacing. Clerk to write to Mr Turner about these items also and asking for verges to be cut.

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1887 CLERK'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

Clerk had received copy email from parishioner to Clevedon Town Council requesting pavement between Walton and Clevedon, mainly for children to walk to school. This to be put on next agenda for discussion.

Clerk had received replies from Standards Committee and ALCA concerning times when councillors declare an interest outnumber those when discussing a particular issue. North Somerset advised that if more than half the parish council have a prejudicial interest in an agenda item, they may apply to the North Somerset Standards Committee for a dispensation. If granted, the dispensation would allow them to speak and vote on the item. The application would need to state the detailed nature of each person's interest, and to explain that more than half of the parish council would be affected. It was appreciated that time scales would be difficult and for this reason councillors should try to anticipate problems as early as possible. If necessary, Clerk might need to write to Development Control Section seeking more time for the parish council to make its comments. ALCA replied appreciating that councillors living in locality of a planning application may be barred from representing electorate because of personal/prejudicial interests. There is a move to alter the way in which this is currently viewed by the Standards Board, but it might mean there will be less representation in future. Suggested that Clerk write asking District Council for dispensation in order to discuss a particular subject and would need to be requested each time there is not likely to be a quorum. Suggested enlarging number of councillors, although even then there might not be a quorum due to sickness or holidays. NOTED

Clerk had been passed a copy of a letter (for discussion by the parish council) addressed to Mr Hollingsworth as Secretary/Treasurer of the Hall Committee, by North Somerset Council advising that following a request for a street light outside the village hall, sufficient funding has been allocated for a light outside the village hall and near to the barn. "The unit comprising of a 6 metre aluminium column supporting an Urbis Sapphire 70w high pressure sodium lantern (semi cut off), serviced by a new Western Power L.V service cable." In the past the suggestion of a light had been objected to by the owners of nearby properties (although at that time it was thought the light would have to be on the opposite side of the road to the hall). Chairman said he would like to see what the light would look like and must be in keeping with what local people want and conservation area. The parish council had not budgeted for the extra electricity this would use. Following discussion Clerk to write to Mr Hollingsworth ascertaining if the village hall committee has been in consultation with the local property owners and that the committee have budgeted for the running of the light. Also it would be in a conservation area and the parish council would like to see detailed drawings of what is proposed to be installed. Clerk to ask Cllr Kent for his completed Declaration of Interest form.

1888 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mrs Charlesworth – Concern at potholes on B3124 near Clevedon getting worse, lack of Road Narrows signs in Moor Lane and gulleys. Mud and grit still coming down Harley Lane. Clerk to chase Highways to clear. Some rubbish cleared in Moor Lane.

Cllr Mr Cannell – Concern at blocked gulleys. Concern at electricity pole being installed in existing tree in Moor Lane, which could affect pruning. Asked Clerk to write to Electricity Board. Asked Clerk to advise Environmental Health that there is a strong smell of sewage by Sunnybank, Walton Street. ~~Asked~~

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1888 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS (continued)

Cllr Mrs Rutley – Asked for verges to be cut, drains cleaned and advised that gully opposite ~~Home Farm Cottage was blocked.~~ On 30th June some cutting of foliage on footpaths had taken place, but cuttings not removed. Coast path overgrown between Lady Bay and Walton Bay. Asked Clerk to write to North Somerset Council as Mrs Trickett (The Haven, Walton Bay) had not received a reply to her letter about the state of the Coast Road in January 2004. This had been copied to Graham Quick for Highways' attention. Concern at state of Mr Barton's "Lorrain field" between Walton Bay and Coast caravan parks. 4 or 5 caravans are still in the field in a run-down state – windows broken. Clerk to advise Environmental Health with copy to Nigel Ashton.

1889 FINANCE:

Chairman signed Audit Form confirming annual income/expenditure details as correct. Chairman asked Clerk to write to Mr Hollingsworth as he had not submitted an invoice for expenses incurred for producing the Information Sheet.

Following cheques signed:

Mrs C Dixon (part Clerk's salary) for £275/- (No. 449) *Pompton Village Hall Chgo £500 (450)*
SWEB for £5-21 (No 451)

Clerk to ask Cllr Kent for his form to add him as a signatory to the parish council account.

1890 CRIME & DISORDER ACT:

Advised that some caravans stolen from private properties in Nailsea area.

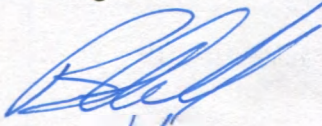
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1873 NOTICEBOARD FOR COAST ROAD:

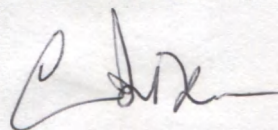
Still awaiting delivery.

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1874 TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL CHARTER (PART 1):

Clerk had now received full copies of the North Somerset Town/Parish Council Charter (Part 1) for each parish councillor and distributed them prior to meeting. However, it was decided to defer agreeing this document until next meeting

The meeting then closed at 9. p.m.


12/9/05.



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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 2005 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL, WALTON IN GORDANO

PRESENT: Cllrs. B Baldwin. B Cannell, (Chairman) Mrs A Charlesworth. R Kent and
Mrs M Rutley
Mrs C Dixon (Clerk)

1893 APOLOGIES: Paul Slade (Liaison Officer), District Cllr Nigel Ashton and PC Tracey Payne .

1894 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: The Minutes of the meeting of 11th July 2005 were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk following addition of cheque details – Cheque No. 449 for £275 to Mrs Dixon (part clerk's salary), No. 450 for £500 donation to Village Hall Committee, No. 451 for £5.21 to SWEB for street lamp electricity. Also under item 1888 Councillors' Reports – **Cllr Mrs Rutley** – first sentence amended to read "Asked for verges to be cut, drains cleaned". The Minutes of the Annual Parishioners Meeting on 13th June were also agreed and signed.

1895 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Clerk had met with Adam Wood, Senior Engineer for the area and discussed the various outstanding issues and he was left with a list of requested highways work.

White lining at junction of Walton Street & B3124 - Most of these had been repainted except the line in the middle of the road between Hill Cottage and Arodene.

White lining at junction of Moor Lane/B3124 – . Most of the white lines had been repainted, but the "slow" signs on the road not reinstated and the line in the middle of Moor Lane not long enough. Clerk to ask Highways to carry out.

Road Narrows Signs in Moor Lane – . These had now been replaced.

1896 PLANNING:

North Somerset Council letter advising of North Area Committee meetings on 18th August and 15th September, site meeting on 27th July - NOTED

Sunnybank – Change in ground levels and fencing – Clerk had not received a reply from Nigel Ashton re his views on North Somerset Council's statement regarding the installation of fencing and bushes and the safety of the wall with the increased ground level behind. Clerk to chase Cllr Ashton for urgent response

05/P/1356/F – Application for erection of single storey front extension at Highcliffe, Walton Street. Grant Permission received.

05/P/1166/F – Application for erection of a rear conservatory at Drovers Brook, Moor Lane, Walton in Gordano – Grant Planning permission received with advice notes. "Walton Brook is maintained by Internal Drainage Board once a year and the banks are flailed using tractor mounted flailer. Existing building is shielded from these operations by the Leylandii hedge which is to be removed to accommodate permitted conservatory. This would make the property extremely vulnerable to damage from these operations and any damage and subsequent costs shall be the responsibility of the applicants. Any building within 8 metres of a bank of an Internal Drainage Board watercourse needs consent under its bylaws. You are advised to seek Internal Drainage Board consent before works commence. The applicant should ensure that the watercourse is not blocked or impeded during or after construction and that the foundations of the new conservatory do not undermine or destabilise the bank or watercourse in any way.

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1896 PLANNING: (continued)

It is possible that the proposed position of the conservatory and the poor condition of the 1m high stone wall that forms the edge of the brook could cause the wall to collapse and consequential damage to the new building would appear to be inevitable, complicating repairs and increasing the risk of a blockage in the brook. The applicant is advised of liability of any costs incurred as a result."

1897 CLERK'S REPORT:

Correspondence from North Somerset – Standards Committee – notice of cancellation of meeting on 28th July and advice of meeting on 8th September – NOTED

- Community Meals Service posters and leaflets – NOTICEBOARD
- Parking for Large Vehicles – NOTED
- North Somerset Life Magazine – NOTED
- Notice of Alteration to Register of Electors – NOTED
- Conversions and applications for Licences Premises – NOTED
- Late availability places on training courses – NOTED
- Details sought of Day Care and Clubs for Adults – Clerk to reply none.
- Consultation on Corporate Plan 2005/06 - CIRCULATED

The Local Channel – Website for local communities – NOTED

Local Works – Campaign to end Ghost Town Britain and promote sustainable communities – NOTED

ALCA – August/September Newsletters/Soc.Local Council Clerks meeting on 1st Oct/Minutes of Exec. Cttee Mtgs on 7th March and 6th June/Employment Briefing-New Age Discrimination Measures/Notice of AGM 15th October and Nomination Paper/Minutes of AGM on 6th November 2004/Annual Report/Constitution/Glos. Uni. Local Policy and Community development courses/Clerks Training Bursary Scheme/Reg. Spatial Strategy update/

Health Advocacy Partnership – Forum meeting dates – NOTED

North Somerset Citizens Advice Bureau – Summer 2005 Update – NOTED

National Health Service – Shaping our Future leaflet – CIRCULATED

CPRE – Fieldwork magazine – CIRCULATED

Clerk to write to Mr Connolly asking him to press First Bus for the timetable case at Walton Village Hall stop. A timetable case had been put up on the bus stop on Coast Road.

Clerk had contacted the Police in PC Tracey Payne's absence and ascertained that the Mobile Police Van was off the road and awaiting Government assessment for repairs.

Clerk had received email from Mr Ingersent at Highways asking if Parish Council had copy of the agreement between Highways and Miles Estate re the metal railing fence on the boundary of the Golf Club by the Coast Road. Clerk to reply that as Parish Council not involved in agreement, Mr Ingersent should approach the Miles Estate direct.

Following Clerk's letter to Mr Hollingsworth regarding the possibility of a new street lamp outside the village hall, he had replied to advise there had been a site meeting with Mr Hawkins of Streets and Open Spaces Division of North Somerset Council and various parishioners. The proposed light was described as per the last parish council minutes with a lateral extension to the supporting pole in order to bring the light closer to the kerb to prevent shadows of parked cars being projected onto the road. Those present at the meeting agreed that parish council should be asked to propose the installation of the light. It was understood at the site meeting that the local authority had funds available for both installation and operation and maintenance of the light. Cllr Cannell provided a photograph of the proposed lamp as described by North Somerset Council and there was discussion whether it would be suitable for the village.

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1897 CLERK'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

Parishioners at the site meeting had been told the light would be the same as that in Weston in Gordano. However, if the Parish Council wanted a different light then they would probably have to pay for it. It was agreed by all councillors that the Clerk should write to North Somerset asking for the suggested street light to be installed.

Following a report of the smell of sewerage outside Sunnybank, Walton Street, Clerk had asked North Somerset to investigate and an officer had visited the area. He could only smell an agricultural aroma and following speaking with the owner of Sunnybank, ascertained that the septic tank there had collapsed and a new one installed.

Following report of caravans left on land at "Lorrain Field", Walton Bay, Clerk had spoken to North Somerset Council who advised no action could be taken unless there was a health hazard, as they are on private land.

Cllr Kent to bring his completed Declaration of Interest form to the next meeting.

Clerk asked to put "Pavement between Clevedon and Walton in Gordano" on the next agenda for discussion and advise parishioner who had wrote about this.

Clerk advised that following Mr Rowles letter to Graham Turner at North Somerset Council, some drains and verges had been cleared on the Coast Road.

1898 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mrs Charlesworth – Potholes on B3124 near Clevedon had now been repaired.

Cllr Mr Cannell – Highways had cleared gully at corner of Moor Lane.

Cllr Mr Baldwin – Telephone box at crosstree dirty and light not working. Clerk to contact BT. The tree guard that was around the crosstree prior to car accident is still in Cllr Baldwin's garden. There was discussion on whether it should be reinstated, but it was believed it could do more harm than good and had not stopped car hitting tree trunk. All agreed it could be disposed of. Cllr Baldwin suggested that, following advice from a tree expert, the plastic cover should be removed from the crosstree in a month's time. This had been put on to protect the trunk and bark following the car accident. Re 1 Manor Cottage, no ridge tiles had been put on the roof following an extension to the dwelling about ten years ago. Clerk to ask Conservation Officer at Planning Dept. if ridge tiles should be on the roof. Concern that some parishioners have been clearing the edge of the stream opposite Brookside - are Highways responsible for doing it? Cllr Kent said Highways had cleared the ditch at Church Farm some 4 or 5 years ago. Clerk to ask Highways.

Cllr Mrs Rutley – Concern at overgrown footpath near Springhead Cottage – Clerk to ask Rights of Way Dept, North Somerset Council to clear. Clerk to write to North Somerset Council as Mrs Trickett (The Haven, Walton Bay) had not received a reply to her letter about the state of the Coast Road in January 2004. This had been copied to Graham Quick for Highways' attention.

1899 FINANCE:

Cheques signed for

£27.50 (No. 452) to Village Hall Committee (hire of hall for June, July and September parish council meetings)

£612.06 (no. 453) to Filcris for new noticeboard at Walton Bay.

Clerk had received phone call from Mazars querying whether the street light for which the council pay the electricity belonged to the parish council. Clerk to check with North Somerset Council. Clerk also to consult ALCA re depreciation of the noticeboard next to the cross tree. following its purchase in 2004.

Cllr Kent and Clerk to liaise re adding him as a signatory to the parish council account.

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1990 CRIME & DISORDER ACT:

A car had been abandoned in Moor Lane, believed stolen, but had now been removed.

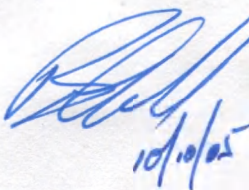
1991 NOTICEBOARD FOR COAST ROAD:

This had now been delivered and Cllr Kent will check it. Cllr Kent will liaise with Mr Rowles regarding its situation and where service pipes may be. Cllr Baldwin offered to help instal. Cllr Kent said there may be some small incidental expenses involved (i.e. cement for posts) and Councillors agreed to this.

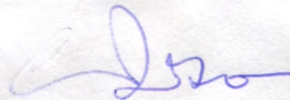
1992 TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL CHARTER (PART 1):

This will be discussed at October meeting.

The meeting then closed at 9. p.m.



10/10/05



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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10th OCTOBER 2005 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL, WALTON IN GORDANO

PRESENT: Cllrs. B Baldwin, B Cannell, (Chairman) Mrs A Charlesworth, and R Kent
Paul Slade (Liaison Officer)
Mrs C Dixon (Clerk)

1993 APOLOGIES: Cllr Mrs M Rutley, District Cllr Nigel Ashton and PC Tracey Payne .

1994 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: The Minutes of the meeting of 12th September 2005 were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk .

1995 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

White lining at junction of Walton Street & B3124 - Clerk to chase Highways for the line in the middle of the road between Hill Cottage and Arodene to be reinstated.

White lining at junction of Moor Lane/B3124 - Clerk to chase Highways for the "slow" signs on the road to be reinstated and the line in the middle of Moor Lane not long enough.

CHARLESWORTH ASKED FOR REINSTATEMENT OF WHITE LINES IN MIDDLE OF B3124. Cllr MRS CHARLESWORTH ASKED FOR REINSTATEMENT OF WHITE LINES IN MIDDLE OF B3124. 14/10/05

1996 PLANNING:

North Somerset Council letter advising of North Area Committee meeting on 13th October

Sunnybank - Change in ground levels and fencing - Paul Slade advised that Nigel Ashton had visited Sunnybank but was unclear as to what the problem is. Clerk to reappraise Cllr Ashton of the details.

05/P/2136/F - Walton Bay House, Park Homes, Walton Bay - Demolition of existing bungalow and caravan. Erection of new bungalow - Following discussion Councillors had no objection to this application.

1 Manor Cottage, no ridge tiles had been put on the roof following an extension to the dwelling about ten years ago. Clerk had spoken to Conservation Officer who said she should write to Planning but no reply yet received whether ridge tiles should be on the roof.

1997 CLERK'S REPORT:

Correspondence from North Somerset - Late availability training courses (i.e First Aid, Office Safety, Excel etc.) - NOTED

- North Somerset Life - not received - one bundle was received some months ago for distribution, but nothing since.

- Blue Skies report - CIRCULATED

North Somerset Partnership - Advice of Stakeholder event on 10th November at Winter Gardens, Weston Super Mare, booking form to be returned by 24th Oct. - NOTED

Highways Agency - Advice of commencement of crawler lane works on M5 Junctions 19-20 - Tickenham and Naish Hills - also advice of nightwork with lights and noise - any problems contact is Alan Jones 0117 982 5053 (Percivals). - NOTED

ALCA - October Newsletter/Minutes of North Somerset Group meeting on 4th October/Soc. Of Local Council Clerks meeting on 28th October - ALL NOTED

English Rural Housing Association - 2005 Report and Review - NOTED

Clerk had written to Mr Connolly asking him to press First Bus for the timetable case at Walton Village Hall stop, but no reply yet received.

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1997 CLERK'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

Cllr Kent had brought his completed Declaration of Interest form.

Clerk had received reply from Graham Turner (Chief Executive Officer, North Somerset Council) following Mr Rowles letter to him. He advised that Alan Ingersent from Streets and Open Spaces had responded to Mr Roles about the gullies and these have now been cleaned and are cleaned on a more regular basis than the rest of the Coast Road as they lie in a low spot. Mr Rowles has been advised of this. Mr Banbury had visited the site re the street cleaning, but could not see an obvious problem. The verges are cut twice a year usually in May and August. At strategic junctions where visibility is an issue extra works are carried out. Mr Turner said he would arrange for an additional inspection and carry out any works deemed necessary and noted that Moor Lane was overgrown, especially the hedgerow. Additional works have been arranged for this area shortly. – NOTED

Clerk read out her letter to the Councillors giving three months notice of resignation from 5th October as she believed the work involved requires someone who can give more time to the position than herself. The Councillors accepted the resignation and thanked her for her four years work.

Clerk read out Mrs Trickett's letter (The Haven, Walton Bay) of 21st January 2004 as Cllr Mrs Rutley had been advised by Mrs Trickett she had not received a reply to her letter about the state of the Coast Road. This had been copied to Graham Quick (acting Liaison Officer at the time) for Highways' attention. Following discussion Clerk to write to Highways asking why no reply had been sent to Mrs Trickett. However Clerk to write to Mrs Trickett asking for an update as some of the issues may have been resolved.

1998 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mrs Charlesworth – Stream behind Cllr Charlesworth's house is blocked up with vegetation – Cllr Kent advised that the Internal Drainage Board would be clearing there within 2 weeks.

Cllr Mr Cannell – Nothing to report.

Cllr Mr Baldwin – Telephone box at Crosstree dirty and light not working- Clerk had contacted BT about this. Cllr Baldwin had removed the plastic cover from the Crosstree. Following Councillors' concern that some parishioners have been clearing the edge of the stream opposite Brookside, Clerk to check with Highways if the District Council are responsible for its upkeep. Clerk to ask Highways.

Cllr Mr Kent – Sunnybank – two concrete pillars have been erected on the driveway. Clerk to ask Conservation Officer/Planning if this is allowed in a conservation area.

1999 FINANCE:

Cheques signed:

Cheque No. 454 £275.00 for Mrs C Dixon (part clerk's salary)

Cheque No. 455 for £5.21 for SWEB Energy – electricity for street light

Cheque No. 456 for £5.50 for Walton in Gordano Village Hall Committee (hire of hall)

Cllr Kent and Clerk to liaise re adding him as a signatory to the parish council account.

Part precept of £1,400.00 received from North Somerset Council.

Chairman signed amended Audit Form and Register of Assets of street lamp (which Clerk had ascertained was not owned by North Somerset Council) and Noticeboard, which are both valued at £1 nominal. Clerk had ascertained from ALCA there is no depreciation on items purchased in previous years.

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2000 CRIME & DISORDER ACT:

Nothing to report

2001 NOTICEBOARD FOR COAST ROAD:

Cllr Kent had checked the board and will liaise with Mr Rowles and Cllr Baldwin re installation.

2002 PAVEMENT BETWEEN WALTON AND CLEVEDON

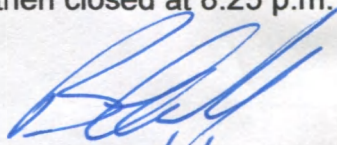
This suggestion had emanated as an email from a parishioner in the village to Clevedon Town Council, which had been passed to the Clerk for the Parish Council to consider. Following discussion Clerk asked to reply to parishioner that Councillors felt it would be inappropriate to ask North Somerset Council to commit to a resource, which is not justified.

2003 TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL CHARTER (PART 1):

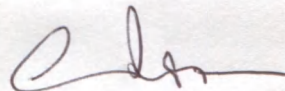
This had been circulated to all Councillors and the Chairman signed on behalf of the parish council agreeing to its contents.

2004 ANY OTHER BUSINESS - None

The meeting then closed at 8.25 p.m.



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2009 CLERK'S REPORT: (continued)

Clerk read out Graham Quick's reply re Mrs Trickett's letter of 21st January 2004 – John Carson (Streets /Open Spaces) was a waste management inspector in early 2004 and following the complaint ensured the area was tidied up. As Mrs Trickett's letter was addressed to the parish council Mr Quick did not think a reply from North Somerset Council was required. Following Clerk's letter requesting update on outstanding issues, Mrs Trickett's reply of 1st November 2005 was read out. Following her first letter, she had received a phone call from a Dave Barrett who more or less told her if she chose to live in the back of beyond (his words) what did she expect and that he could not understand people who had garden gnomes, of which she has many !!! The heavy lorry traffic has eased recently due to the near completion of Charlcombe Rise. The amount of litter on the Coast Road is still appalling. The gravel left over from the road works was never ever cleared along that section. Many hedgerows are a disgrace as is the entrance to Lorraine Field. The traffic speed remains an enormous problem, reducing the many walkers, cyclists and fishermen who used the road. Clear road signage is required to show motorists they are driving through a village (i.e. like Tickenham). Mrs Trickett has tried over 2 years to get a kerbside recycling bin to no avail. Resolved issues included, bus stop and new standing area, 2 new road signs informing drivers of pedestrians in the road due to no footway. ACTION – Clerk to reply to Mrs Trickett - Parish Council keeping watch on traffic speed (mobile speed signs) and advise her to complain directly to David Turner at North Somerset Council with copy to Nigel Ashton. Clerk also to ask contact at North Somerset Council about clearing gravel and monitoring overgrown hedgerows. Clerk to write to Morgan Beynham re Lorraine Field (possible Section 215 Notice application) and check with North Somerset Council if they undertake kerbside recycling on Coast Road as Mrs Trickett adjacent to road. Paul Slade said he would find out about Dave Barrett.

2010 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mrs Charlesworth – 2 car tyres dumped in ditch by third gate in Moor Lane. Harley Hill still muddy. Concern by parishioners at high wall outside Severn View on Coast Road. Clerk to contact Morgan Beynham as owners say wall has always been there hidden by conifers and they will infill with board between upright posts. Wall has not always been there.

Cllr Mr Cannell – Nothing to report.

Cllr Mr Baldwin – Nothing to report

Cllr Mrs Rutley – Nothing to report

2011 FINANCE:

Cheques signed:

Cheque No. 457 for £72.45 for Mr Michael Hollingsworth – printing expenses for Information Sheets for November 2004 to October 2005. Most printing done by All Saints Church (except during holidays and illness) - 10 copyings at £5.20 (£52), one copy at £9.40 and one at £11.05. 100 copies distributed every month. Mr Hollingsworth thanked Rene Truby and Maureen Rutley for distributing copies.

Cheque No. 458 for £5.50 for Village Hall Committee (hire of village hall).

Clerk had received funding requests from Community Safety & Drug Action Team (Neighbourhood Watch District Manager 2006/7) and North Somerset Citizens Advice Bureau – both requests to be put forward at January 2006 meeting when precept discussed.

2012 CRIME & DISORDER ACT: Nothing to report

2013 NOTICEBOARD FOR COAST ROAD: Nothing to report.

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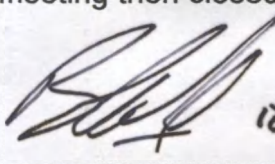
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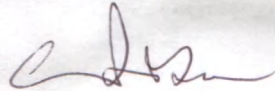
2014 CLERK'S POST

Chairman had spoken to Don Hill, the previous Clerk, who was interested in returning as Clerk. Chairman had consulted with the other Councillors, who agreed. Chairman will now formally ask Don Hill and it was agreed that the changeover be at the meeting in December.

2015 ANY OTHER BUSINESS - None

The meeting then closed at 8.35 p.m.

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MEETING OF WALTON IN GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL

Held on December 12th 2005 at 7.30 pm. In The Village Hall, Walton In Gordano

Present: Cllrs. B Baldwin, B Cannell, (Chair) Mrs A Charlesworth, R Kent, Mrs M Rutley

In Attendance: Paul Slade (Liaison Officer), Mrs C Dixon (Clerk), Don Hill (new Clerk)

Cllr Cannell welcomed Don Hill to the meeting.

2016 APOLOGIES: Cllr Nigel Ashton (North Somerset District Council – NSC) and PC Tracey Payne.

2017 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - 14/11/05 were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk.

2018 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

White lining at junction of Walton Street & B3124 - done

Other White Lining - Clerk to chase NSC (David Bailey) a) about painting white lines in Walton Street between Arodene and Hill Cottage; b) for one of the "slow" signs on the B3124 to be reinstated and c) the painted line in the middle of Moor Lane made longer.

2019 PLANNING

NSC letter advising of North Area Committee meeting 8th Dec 7 & site meetings 25th Nov & 2nd Dec - NOTED

Sunnybank - change in ground levels and fencing: possible planning breach. Clerk to seek Cllr Ashton's thoughts.

05/P/2670/F Walton Bay Caravan Park; change of land use from residential chalet to sighting of residential caravan (Retrospective) – Clerk had written to NSC asking for the reply date to be extended as there may be representations from local residents as the caravan seemed to be larger than the old chalet.

Cllr Rutley produced copies of letters sent by residents to NSC objecting to the subject application. These letters stand as representations to NSC. However, in the context of this meeting concern was raised as to a possible conflict of interest for Cllr Rutley due to the proximity of her home to the subject planning application. In this context there was discussion on whether residents should have formally copied their letters to the Parish Council via The Clerk, or sent them via Mrs Rutley under a covering letter (rather than providing copies for presentation without such a letter) at the meeting. There was further discussion about the concept of "interest" versus "prejudicial interest" – fine points that are not on the horizon of residents within a village who, by-and-large, know each other and each other's problems. Notes were read out from the Standards Board of England, but it was not deemed clear what was considered to be an "interest" a "prejudicial interest", or what the fine difference is deemed to be between the two. As regulations stand, councillors must declare an interest in relation to an issue if there is any doubt about conflict in the context of a matter before the Council, whatever local concepts of "reasonableness" may be. Reference was made to the Drovers Brook application (see item 1896 – September 05 Minutes – Ref: 05/P/1166/F) when 3 members of the council declared an interest in the application. Clerk to write to the Monitoring Officer for an interpretation of this standards query.

Clerk to write to NSC Planning noting that they have been sent objections and reiterating the points made in her letter of 25/11/05 expressing The Council's concern that a) the subject residential caravan appears to be larger than the chalet it replaces – making it a possible infringement of both planning regulations and of the amenity rights of immediate neighbours, b) as a retrospective application, it appears to be bypassing provisions planning regulations

make for formal public observations to be presented, and c) may well not be subject to appropriate enforcement procedures.

05/P/2568/WT The Manor House; Lawson's Cypress – fell, Turkish Hazel – coppice – permission granted – NOTED

05/P/2569/WT The Manor House; London Plain – pruning & crown lift - permission granted – NOTED

05/P/2737/F School House, Walton St; insertion of kitchen roof light – discussed; no objection; Clerk to inform NSC.

Clerk had received letter (circulated to Councillors) from Dr. Liam Fox MP asking if the parish council had any examples of cases in the area where NSC Planning Department had made decisions that were controversial or regarded as inappropriate, e.g. ignoring Government guidelines, reaching a planning decision which is inconsistent with a decision on a similar application or where the Council has been ineffectual in enforcing its own stipulations over a planning matter. Clerk to reply with examples of Barton Park Homes (05/P/2670/F), Arodene 04/P/1944/F), Sunnybank (02/10006/F), Walton Manor House (04/P/3195/F&LB)

2020 CLERK'S REPORT:

RECEIVED NOTED & CIRCULATED: NSC Notices re Farmers Markets in 2006 - NSC Safer Communities Strategy - NSC Joint Local Transport Plan Consultation Phase 2 - Greater Bristol Strategic Transport Study (GBSTS) – Development & Environment Directorate Business Plan 2005-06; Invitation to briefing 24 Jan – NSC Local Development Framework Statement of Community Involvement (Consultation Draft) – Joint Local Transport Plan 2006-20011; Town/Parish Consultation 6th December – Late availability training courses – Posters re Christmas Card recycling scheme at WH Smith and Tesco – (TO NOTICEBOARD) - Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel; Meetings information – Examining Future Healthcare Needs of North Somerset Residents - “North Somerset Life” ; Paul Slade provided copies for village circulation; Chairman thanked him - Advice of Standards Committee meeting on 24th Nov. - North Somerset Policy Charter – Newsletter re school travel – ALCA Newsletter/Constitution/Annual Report & Accounts/List of officers - ALCA Advice of affiliation fees for 2006/7 - £47.11 - ALCA Minutes of Exec. Committee meeting 16 Aug 05 - ALCA Letter re audit regime for local councils in England - Regional Spatial Strategy for SW update – Community Action – Questionnaire re farm shops (nil return).

Pole “in” brook by drovers brook, moor lane - Western Power Distribution to make a site visit. Clerk to follow-up.

Street light outside the village hall is installed and working.

Clerk had emailed NSC - David Bailey a) to check if NSC responsible for clearance of stream in Moor Lane and b) to ask for response re new stop sign at Walton Street junction and general traffic calming measures. Clerk to follow-up on unresolved items.

In relation to an action arising out of the Clerk's Report at last month's meeting, Cllr Kent advised that hedgerow maintenance is the responsibility of the individual farmer.

Clerk has emailed NSC to ask if they undertake kerbside recycling on Coast Road (re Mrs Trickett). Follow up.

Clerk has replied to Mrs Trickett at Walton Bay suggesting she complain directly to David Turner at NSC (copy to Cllr Ashton) about alleged discourtesy she received from one of their drainage officers.

The Parish Council is keeping watch on traffic speed (mobile speed signs).

Clerk to chase NSC Rights-of Way for reply following letter to NSC about sewage seeping onto Coast Path.

Clerk had asked contact at NSC about clearing gravel and monitoring overgrown hedgerows. WHERE & WHO?

Clerk to chase Morgan Beynham re Lorrain Field (possible Section 215 Notice application)

Clerk had not had reply from Morgan Beynham regarding high wall at Severn Leigh.

2021 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mrs Charlesworth – Car tyres dumped in ditch in Moor Lane had been cleared.

Cllr Mr Cannell – Nothing to report.

Cllr Mr Baldwin – Public telephone now working. A tractor was recently stolen from Home Farm; (apparently others were taken from Backwell recently, too). Asked if Any Other Business (AOB) not form part of the agenda. Following discussion this was AGREED: it was further AGREED that specific matters not falling under Councillors reports be notified to the Clerk as specific agenda items.

Cllr Mr Kent - see 2023 – Crime & Disorder, below

2022 FINANCE:

Cheques signed:

Cheque No. 459 for £70; payable to Mazars for Audit services.

Cheque No. 460 for £5.50 to Village Hall Committee for hire of village hall.

Chairman asked Clerk to write to ALCA about the high charge for the audit.

Clerk had received letter from NSC re the precept – to be discussed at January meeting.

2023 CRIME & DISORDER ACT:

Cllr Kent advised that the moneybox, containing some £30, had been stolen – for the 4th time - from his sales shed. Two men were disturbed and a neighbour provided a description of them. Fingerprints have been taken. The theft was reported to the police, whose arrival at Church Farm to investigate was delayed, as they were unable to find it. Clerk to ask PC Tracey Payne why location of such a straightforward address proved a problem.

2024 NOTICEBOARD FOR COAST ROAD:

Cllr Kent apologised for not installing the noticeboard (which is with him); it was suggested that the Clerk obtain three estimates to erect it.


2025 STREET NAMING & NUMBERING:

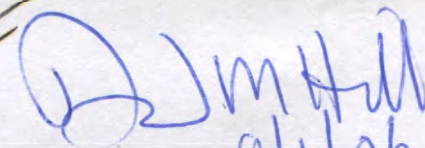
Walton Street I: Although this name has been in use for some years, it has never been formally “signed and sealed” as the name of what is commonly called “The Coast Road”. To regularise this matter NSC will be issuing a “Naming of Streets Notice” in January 2006 (Public Health Act 1925, Section 18) indicating their intention to “name” Walton Street. The implementation of this notice will be subject to the outcome of any appeals NSC may receive. This notice does not refer to the numbering of properties. If objections raised the matter will lie with the decision of the magistrates. If no objections received the Council will arrange for the signing and sealing of the road name. In the event that numbering is adopted, residents will be able to use house names and/or assigned house numbers. NSC will inform such bodies as Royal Mail, emergency services, public utilities of any change.

Walton Street II: As a separate but connected issue NSC has asked for the Council’s views on numbering properties in Walton Street as a parishioner had requested a number. Concern was expressed that the lack of any order or continuity of properties in “Walton Street” meant there was no logical basis for following a numbering sequence “on the ground” serious confusion could result, particularly for the emergency services, in finding an address. Without the benefit of locational clarity that street numbering is presumed to bring, it was felt that such numbering may simply be an unnecessary and expensive urbanisation of this essentially rural parish.

AGREED: Not to oppose the “naming” of Walton Street, but to oppose the allocation of numbers to the properties on Walton Street. Clerk to advise NSC accordingly. Clerk also to ask how NSC intends to involve parishioners of their proposals – by the posting of notices, by newspaper advertisement, or by writing to residents individually.

The meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.


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MEETING OF WALTON IN GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL

Held on January 9th 2006 at 7.30 pm. In The Village Hall, Walton In Gordano

Present: Cllrs. B Baldwin, B Cannell, (Chair) Mrs A Charlesworth, Mrs M Rutley

In Attendance: Mr Don Hill (Clerk), PC Tracey Payne

2026 APOLOGIES: Cllr Nigel Ashton (NSC); Paul Slade – NSC Liaison Officer; Cllr R Kent.

2027 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - 12/12/05 were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk.

2028 CRIME AND DISORDER - This item taken here as PC Payne had to leave the meeting early.

- i) Re robbery at Church Farm, Tracey needs to speak to the farmer re police finding address difficult to find.
- ii) From a local shoot gunshot allegedly landed on the conservatory roof at Arodene; police investigating.
- iii) Visits of Community Control Vehicle to Church Farm. This mobile police presence and information facility was to spend an hour per month in the village. However it is experiencing horrendous mechanical problems and is currently more off the road than on it. We will be kept posted as to when visits can be sensibly scheduled.
- iv) Traffic calming radar on the Coast Road; the equipment has been under great pressure. Ideally it should be used on the Coast Road every two months. Tracey will find out what can be done to achieve this.

2029 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

The Clerk presented a working copy of the draft minutes of the December 9th meeting. This indicated that all actions called for had been taken except those relating to the erection of the Walton Bay noticeboard and the setting of the budget and request for precept; due for discussion at this meeting.

2030 PLANNING

No items specific to Walton-in-Gordano were received since the last meeting. The Clerk referenced all the applications on file that were still awaiting a decision.

Sunnybank - change in ground levels and fencing: Cllr Ashton telephoned the Clerk; he is of the view that NSC have addressed the issues raised on this matter and that the current situation should be accepted as satisfactory.

05/P/2670/F Walton Bay Caravan Park; change of land use from residential chalet to sighting of residential caravan (Retrospective) – This application was granted on 22nd December 2005. Concerns relating to it have been overridden by this decision.

2031 CLERK'S REPORT:

RECIEVED NOTED & CIRCULATED: list of items received since the last meeting.

Lorraine Field, Walton Bay: NSC Enforcement Officer, Morgan Baynham, has written to the owner requesting removal of derelict caravans by 31st Jan 06. Landowner must contact van owners prior to such removal. If landowner does not perform, a Section 215 Notice will be issued that will permit enforcement of the removal by NSC.

Severn View Highway Boundary Wall, Walton Bay: Despite assurances from the owners that this wall existed behind a shield of bushes, local memory both on and off the Council feels certain that the wall is of recent build and without the necessary planning permission (needed as it is over 1m high facing a highway). This certainty is so strong that Cllr Ashton of NSC has referred the matter to the planners and Donald Hill, for the Council has referred the matter back to the enforcement officer, despite that officer having deemed no further action was needed based on the assurances he received from the owners.

2032 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Charlesworth Potholes on Clevedon Road: it was noted that these have been marked up for repair.

Harley Hill Mud: **Clerk to walk the area with Adam Wood** to get prevention work reinstated.

Blocked Drains at Cross Tree: These are vital re flooding; **Clerk to try to get them cleaned.**

Cllr Rutley Village Calendar in Church Porch: PC meeting dates have been entered. Anyone with village activities to promote please feel free to enter them into the calendar.

2033 FINANCE:

Cheques signed:

Cheque 461 for £275; to Mrs C Dixon for Clerk's Fee Oct-Dec 2005

Cheque 462 for £8.25 to Walton Village Hall for hire of village hall – 1.5 hours

Cheque 463 for £5.23 to EDF Energy for the Cross Tree public street light

Setting of Precept: After discussion of the 2005/06 budget-versus-actual figures members decided to call for a parish precept of £2600 for 2006/07 based on the budget figures below – a reduction of £200 on the current year.

Clerk's Fee £1150	Hall Hire £90	Cross Tree Street Light £30	Insurance £300	Subscriptions £75
Donations (Fete Marquee) £550		Information Sheet £100	Notice Board Erection £200	
Audit £60	Cllrs expenses £45	TOTAL £2600		

At the end of the current financial year there will be a balance at the bank of some £1000. Against advice that Cllrs Cannell and Charlesworth recalled the Council being given some years ago the holding of such a balance against contingencies is appropriate and might be equal to as much as a single year's budget (The Council's is only 40%).

Whilst agreeing with the budget figure, Cllr Baldwin objected to the size of the year-end balance as being too high.

Clerk to notify NSC of the Council's precept request.

Clerk to establish what best practice is in relation to the maintaining and carrying forward from year-to-year of a contingency float on the bank account.

2034 NOTICEBOARD FOR COAST ROAD:

Board at Church Farm, posts with Cllr Baldwin. Every effort is being made to get quotes, but people unwilling to go through the process of quoting for such a small job. **Clerk to pursue.**

2035 STANDARDS AND DELCLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Members have to be constantly vigilant to ensure they hold to the extremely rigorous rules laid down regarding declarations of personal interests; and declarations of prejudicial interests (those from which a member might gain a specific benefit of suffer a specific dis-benefit) - in any matter before the Council.

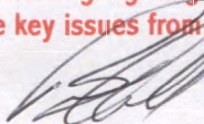
Cllr Baldwin has contacted The Standards Board of England for guidance. That guidance is at once clear and unclear about what might be deemed "an interest" in that it did not quantify such general phrases as "close by" or "known to". People in a village like Walton-in-Gordano tend to know each other and to be interested in (in the best sense!) the affairs and activities of their friends and neighbours; on this basis everything could be a conflict of interest.

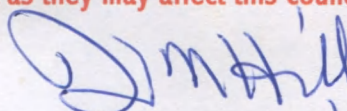
It is known that the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM), which handles these matters, recognises the huge difficulties faced by council members of small parishes. Whilst not wanting to water down the very serious responsibilities to be borne by everyone at every level of public service, there are plans afoot to ease the burden of this responsibility such that parish councils – many of which have ceased to function under these burdens – will be able to operate more realistically. ODPM have just circulated a discussion document "Standards of Conduct in English Local Government: The Future" which recognises the above problems and invites input from local councils.

Clerk to respond to the ODPM document highlighting the concerns raised in this minute.

Clerk to summarise and circulate the key issues from the document as they may affect this Council.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WALTON IN GORDANO PARISH COUNCIL

Held on February 13th 2006 at 7.30 pm. in the Village Hall, Walton In Gordano

Present: Cllrs. Mr B Baldwin: Mr B Cannell (Chair): Mrs A Charlesworth: Mr R Kent: Mrs M Rutley

In Attendance: Cllr Nigel Ashton (NSC): Mr Paul Slade (NSC Liaison Officer): Mr Don Hill (Clerk)

2036 APOLOGIES: P C Tracey Payne

2037 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - 09/01/06 - were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk.

2038 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE – none.

2039 CRIME AND DISORDER

In the absence of PC Payne the four items at minute 2028 of the January meeting were held over until March. These matters, plus new matters as indicated below, to be summarised into a letter to PC Payne. **Clerk to write.**

2040 CLERK'S REPORT:

The meeting noted a list of miscellaneous items received since the last meeting. Other matters were dealt with as under.

2041 PLANNING

Declaration of Interest: Cllr Rutley declared an interest re application 05/P/2136/F. As the matter for consideration was only a minor amendment her presence at the meeting during the taking of this matter was deemed in order.

New Applications: No items specific to Walton-in-Gordano have been received since the last meeting.

Permissions Granted since last meeting

05/P/2670/F: Mr C Barton - Retrospective change of land use. **05/P/2737/F:** Mr & Mrs A G Barrow – Kitchen Roof Light.

05/P/2612/F: Mr & Mrs K Edwards – Part change of use Residential to Retail. Attached stipulations: i) deliveries to be only 8am-6pm Mon-Sat ii) No work to start until a disabled access scheme has been presented and approved. **Cllr Ashton to approach NSC**

Planning re disabled access in relation to potential flooding issues.

Decisions Awaited: 05/P/2136/F: Mr & Mrs AG Rowles, Walton Bay House: Demolition of old/erection of new bungalow. Proposed revision: removal of part of the west facing sidewall and the roof cover from the front “porch” area to allow more natural light to the living room and kitchen windows. **No objections; Clerk to so inform NSC.**

Other Planning Matters

“Walton Bay Not a Settlement” Clerk queried this planning definition. NSC Streets and Open Spaces assured the Clerk that the definition applies to planning restrictions but not to the level of service they provide.

Sunnybank: Changes in advice from NSC appear to created confusion and prolonged the resolution of issues to the embarrassment of the Council and the stress of the owner. **Cllr Ashton to investigate, with NSC enforcement.**

Walton Street Naming: Street naming notices re Walton Street went up 1st Feb 06 for 21 days.

Walton Street Property Numbering: Letter received from NSC arguing for numbering. The Council remain unconvinced but realise that pressure from the emergency services may result in numbers being allotted anyway.

2040 STREET AND OPEN SPACES

Harley Hill Mud: Mud prevention work to be done in March. In view of increasing, heavier, traffic on Moor Lane, verges need to be cut back to true road width between the old tip road and Harley Hill. **Clerk to write to Adam Wood.**

Blocked Drains Clerk walked from Crosstree to Springhead with Adam Wood & Simon Banbury of NSC: the clear need for jetting and clearance through the whole length was agreed. Adam Wood will let Clerk know when work can be planned, as traffic restrictions will be needed. **Clerk to stress that REGULAR maintenance is essential to the village remaining unflooded.**

Dustbins: Moor lane Feb 2nd refuse was collected on Feb 6th – the collection company will charged a financial penalty.

White lining: The slow sign that was missed will be done; so will the lengthening of the Moor Lane centre line.

White Lining South of Arodene: The carriageway is not deemed wide enough to permit white lining. **Clerk to find out basis of this decision given that white lines were there previously.**

Clevedon Road/Walton Street Junction: NSC monitored the effects of the revised road markings; they seem to be positively altering driver behaviour. They confirm that the footway is not officially designated as such and that its inclusion within the overall width of the road means cars are able to drive on it if needs be.

Moor Lane/ Clevedon Road junction: NSC say there are no plans for this junction – anything significant would be costly and as there have been no (reported) accidents work cannot be justified. The Council concluded that for now the NSC decision must be accepted. **Clerk to write to Mr Redmore explaining this.**

Fence at Golf Course: NSC now have evidence of their responsibility to maintain this fence. **Clerk to write to NSC to clarify this and to seek a date for maintenance work from the NSC 2006/7 budget.**

Water/Sewage Leaks Onto Coast Path from Coast Caravan Park (CCP): NSC officers are meeting Mr Norrie of CCP on site. They propose repairing the leaks and raising the path by 8"-10" via a small duckboard bridge to take pressure off the subsoil. CCP to bear the costs involved. AL will keep us informed of progress. **Clerk to monitor.**

Lorraine Field, Walton Bay: **Clerk to check that NSC enforcement to clear up this site is proceeding.**

Severn View, Walton Bay - Highway Boundary Wall: NSC enforcement view on the wall's history differs from local perception as indicated to the Council; NSC appear to have not evidenced that permission has been granted to raise the wall above one metre, nor sought enforcement, nor sought to regularise the situation with a retrospective planning consent. **Clr Ashton to pursue.**

Kerbside Re-Cycling at Walton Bay: This does operate, NSC to supply bin to Mrs Trickett.

Litter Picking & Road Sweeping: Under recent health & safety regulations there are operating practice issues to be resolved before these activities can be re-started in areas without pavements.

Walton Bay Bus Stop: Concern has again surfaced re the Portishead/Clevedon bus stop opposite the telephone box because it is sighted so that a waiting passenger feels hemmed in by fast-moving traffic hurtling down the hill and close to the hedgerow. A few yards towards Clevedon is a larger lay-by that, being out of the "pit" of the hill, is a more comfortable and safer place to stand: little hope is held out for action by First Bus (it is down to them). **Clerk to seek advice from NSC's Ray Shields.**

Traffic Calming at Walton Bay: A 30mph speed limit through Walton Bay – instead of the current 40mph – has been suggested, together with signage to indicate that, despite it being hidden, there is a significant residential area at Walton Bay that is endangered by inconsiderate driving. The principal of speed limits combined with signage was set out in a traffic report on the parish in 1996 but not applied to Walton Bay. "Walton-in-Gordano (Walton Bay)" signs at the village boundary near Squires Cottage and at Coast Caravan Park – with a "Walton-in-Gordano" sign near Highcliffe would make drivers aware of "hidden" populations at these locations. May it also be possible to incorporate one of the fixed radar warning signs that are being increasingly used to improve driver behaviour? **Clerk to copy these ideas to PC Payne. Cllr Ashton to ask if NSC will carry out a highways assessment to see what improvements might be carried out.**

2041 OTHER MATTERS

Cross Tree Stores: Asked for poster in noticeboard; refused as no trade posters are displayed. **Clerk to inform the owners.**

Gordano Councils Transport Group: Request for subsidy came too late for consideration. **Clerk to let them know.**

Bitton PC: Wrote concerned that non-elected bodies (e.g. SW Regional Assembly in relation to NSC) increasingly dominate decision processes held to belong to elected bodies. **Clerk to reply giving support to publicising this concern.**

Annual Civic Service: No one able to attend from the Council.

Bus Services: NSC confirmed that services and timetables will not change for the contract period starting April 2006.

Road Closure: Coast Road will be closed Fri 17th/Sat 18th Feb at Redcliffe Bay. This will affect the Friday bus services.

NS Economic Development & Regeneration Summit: Clerk to reply; no attendees from The Council.

2042 FINANCE

Cheques signed: 464 for £112.21 to Timberscape re work on notice boards: 465 for £8.25 re Walton Village Hall hire.

Precept: NSC notification of precept request (£2600) received.

Carrying forward contingency float on bank account: Clerk discussed the principle with Pete Sloman, Deputy Financial Controller at NSC. Carrying forward £1000 is fine. If The Council wished to reduce the contingency it may be best done over a period of years rather than all at once. The Council noted this information.

Accounts: All paperwork now to hand and accounts reconciled with bank statements.

Newsletter: All invoices will be submitted by March 31st to ensure costs are carried within the appropriate financial year.

Bank: Clerk updated management and signing arrangements for the bank accounts.

NSC Summary Draft Budget: Received and noted.

Local Council Administration 7^{ed} (Butterworth): is being published in May 2006 at £60. **Clerk to purchase.**

2041 STANDARDS AND DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

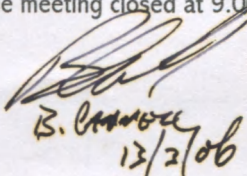
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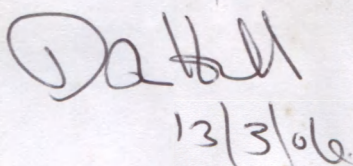
2042 COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Charlesworth: Although most potholes on the B3124 to Clevedon have been done some have been missed. There is fly tipping in Moor Lane again, in the form of an old carpet. **Clerk to report to Adam Wood at NSC.**

Cllr Rutley: There is a large and deep pothole on the Portishead/Clevedon kerbside opposite Chelwood. There is a raised concrete drainage slat forming a pedestrian danger just below Springhead. **Clerk to report to Adam Wood at NSC.** There is foliage growing out into the highway forming a traffic obstruction at Brooke Cottage. **Clerk to contact owner.**

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.


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In Attendance: Mr Paul Slade (NSC Liaison Officer): Mr Don Hill (Clerk)

2043 APOLOGIES: Cllr Mr R Baldwin; Cllr Mr Nigel Ashton (NSC)

2044 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - 13/02/06 - were agreed and signed by Cllr Cannell and the Clerk.

2045 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE – none.

2040 CLERK'S REPORT: Miscellaneous items received since the last meeting were noted. Other matters were dealt with as under.

2041 CRIME AND TRAFFIC

Minute 2028: 4 crime and traffic items held over from earlier meeting.

Minute 2040 Traffic Calming at Walton Bay: Feedback pending from PC Payne and Cllr Ashton.

Fly Tipping: Moor Lane carpet and Coast Road prunings (reported to PC Payne) cleared.

Clerk to seek responses from PC Payne (re minutes 2028 & 2040) & Cllr Ashton (re minute 2040).

2042 PLANNING

New Applications: 4 tree management permissions sought: no objections raised. **Clerk to so inform NSC Planning.**

06/P/0420/WT – Myrtle Cottage, Miles Estate: felling of rotten boundary leylandiis

06/P/0322/WT – Old Rectory Farm, Miles Estate: Crowning of various trees and felling of some rotting ones.

06/P/0467/WT – Home Farm, Miles Estate: Felling of cypress tree.

96/P/0473/WT – Walton Manor, Mr Bryant: Felling of 3 x Cypress, 3 x Thuja, 3 x horse chestnut.

Decisions Awaited - 05/P/2136/F Rowles, Walton Bay Ho: Replacement bungalow.

Other Planning Matters

05/P/2612/F: Cross Tree Stores: stipulation re disabled access to be relaxed due to flooding issues. Cllr Ashton informed owners.

Sunnybank: Cllr Ashton talked with NSC planning: decision was based on a review of the regulations pertinent to the situation.

2043 STREET AND OPEN SPACES

Walton Street Naming & Numbering: no further information yet.

Moor Lane "widening": Clerk awaiting response from NSC.

Raised Drain Paving below Springhead – reported.

Pothole on the Portishead/Clevedon kerbside opposite Chelwood - reported.

Foliage growing into Walton Street: Clerk did not find a problem but will keep a lookout for potential problems in the parish.

Blocked Drains Cllr Kent thinks work was done below Springhead: **Clerk to check and to contact NSC for update.**

Green Bags: Walton IS in collection area. Bags passed to Clerk who delivered one to each address in the Parish.

White Lining South of Arodene: Clerk awaiting reply to query re basis of decision not to white-line.

Moor Lane/ Clevedon Road junction: There are no plans for this junction. Clerk wrote to Mr Redmore to update him.

Fence at Golf Course: Clerk e-mailed NSC to confirm situation. **Clerk to contact in April to get timetable for work.**

Water/Sewage Leaks Onto Coast Path from Coast Caravan Park (CCP): **Clerk to contact NSC during March.**

Lorraine Field, Walton Bay: **Clerk to contact NSC during March for update.**

Severn View Roadside Wall Above 1m High: Cllr Ashton followed up as promised: NSC claim to have no grounds to pursue. No permission has been evidenced to support the wall being its current height; it is presumed that NSC have such permission on file.

Walton Bay Bus Stop: Clerk awaiting response from NSC.

2044 OTHER MATTERS

Poster re Shop to Notice Board/Gordano Councils Transport Group/Bitton PC – Clerk responded to these items.

2045 FINANCE

Cheques signed: 466 for £275.00 to D Hill re Clerk's Fee Jan-Mar 06: 467 for £5.50 re Walton Village Hall hire.

2046 COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Rutley: Problems with locking mechanism on new Walton Bay notice board. **Clerk to contact supplier to get it fixed.**


Cllr Kent: Dangerous pothole north of Plumtree Cottage in need of urgent attention. **Clerk to report.**

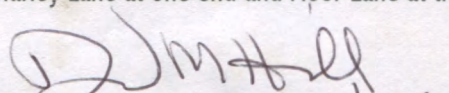
Cllr Charlesworth: Pothole opposite Manor Drive. **Clerk to report.**

Emptying of 2 x public rubbish bins in Walton Street at Cross Tree: this has ceased. With summer and the re-opening of Cross Tree Stores, there is a need for them to be emptied on the regular weekly basis they used to be. **Paul Slade offered to follow up.**

Harley Hill/Moor Lane signage: this is proving confusing – Harley Lane at one end and Moor Lane at the other. **Clerk to pursue.**

The meeting closed at 8pm.


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