



Walton-in-Gordano Parish Council

Walton-in-Gordano – Walton Down – Walton Bay

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Minutes of The Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall Monday 20th April 2009 at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllrs Mr B Cannell (Chair), Mrs A Charlesworth, Mr R Kent, Miss F Morgan, Mrs M Rutley

In Attendance: Mr P Slade (NSC Liaison) Mr D Hill (Clerk)

3177 APOLOGIES: None

3178 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: Agreed; and signed by Chairman and Clerk.

3179 MATTERS ARISING: None

3180 CASUAL VACANCY: No response to public notices - vacancy open to co-option.

3181 CLLR RUTLEY: The meeting unanimously endorsed the Chairman's thanks to Cllr Rutley for her unstinting contribution to the Council's business during her years as a member. A very good humoured moment.

3182 EMERGENCY SERVICES & TRAFFIC

Gordano Councils' Transport Group: Clerk attended meeting re Portishead rail link. After years of detailed discussion, basic funding and technical information is due in July, against which an implementation strategy can be worked on.

3183 PLANNING

New Application: 09/P/0487/F Severn Leigh Rear ground floor extension over existing basement to create enlarged kitchen area and enlarged work/storage area in basement. Garage to front. **No objection but query proposed single door between kitchen and WC and suggest moving garage back from boundary and adjacent exit/entry to improve sight lines.**

Decision Awaited: 09/P/0379/F_09/P0380/LB The Chapel, Walton Street.

Withdrawn: 09/P/0245/F Restland WB - replacement dwelling.

Granted: 09/P/0265/WT The Manor - Tree work.

Complaints: re 07/P/3096/F - Old Rectory House - Letter from NSC - no breach of planning.

Appeal: 08/P/1087/O - Loretto, re-build. Appeal dismissed.

3184 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton St Drainage/Speed Limit/Weight Restriction: Minute 3161 refers.

Potholes on B3124: New budgets replacement of Ringway by Balfour Beatty, will speed frost damage repair.

Street Light: This belongs to WalG PC. Clerk answered an NSC Special Expenses survey, providing details of the light (1 light, no maintenance budget, age unknown, wooden pole, EDF unmetered supply/public lighting/£5.57 per quarter).

Clerk to see if NSC will take over light and to check that it is properly provided for in the insurance policy.

Public Footpaths: Access at Springhead Cottage is Right of Way LA 17/2. Access difficulties reported to Adrian Leonard, who will investigate. Steps to Golf Course just beyond boundary with Clevedon being renovated.

3185 OTHER MATTERS

North Somerset Pocket Tourist Guide: Calls for disproportionate financial support re WalG. Noted.

Community Emergency Plan: - for major disaster management. Beyond WalG capability. Noted.

First Bus Timetable: X24 Mon-Fri pm run to be withdrawn from May 10th. Noted.

North Somerset Partnership: Clarification of Board structure. Noted.

Housing Growth: NSC efforts to preserve green belt, balance house building with job/infrastructure provision. Noted.

North Somerset Core Strategy to 2026: Meeting to explain - 24th April 10 am Winter Gardens. Noted.

Local Involvement Network: Paul Slade explained its role in monitoring health/social care services. Noted.

Calor Village of the Year: This was discussed at the last APM but did not excite interest. Noted.

3186 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Morgan - Litter above Walton Street: where cars park to use Common. **Clerk to investigate provision of litter bin.**

3187 FINANCE

Accounts/Audit: Accounts circulated prior to meeting. All 2008-09 paperwork with Internal Auditor, Roy Betts.

Road Signs to St Paul's Church: Clerk wrote, again, for PCC agreement to ownership of signs per Minute 3152.

Cheques: 552 re April hall hire £6.50.

Meetings are monthly on the 2nd Monday (except August) at 7.30 pm in Walton-in-Gordano Village Hall
2009 dates are: Jan 12th : Feb 9th : Mar 9th : **Apr 20th** (13th is Easter Monday) : May 11th (7 pm with Annual Parish Meeting at 8 pm) Jun 8th : Jul 13th : Sep 14th : Oct 12th : Nov 9th : Dec 14th



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Minutes of The Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall Monday 11th May 2009 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllrs Mr B Cannell (Chair), Mrs A Charlesworth, Mr R Kent, Miss F Morgan (Arrived at 7.15)
In Attendance: Mr P Slade (NSC Liaison), Mr D Hill (Clerk)

3188 APOLOGIES: None

3189 ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR:

Proposed by Cllr Charlesworth, seconded by Cllr Kent, and unanimously re-elected Chair - Cllr Cannell; who signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Proposed by Cllr Kent, seconded by Cllr Cannell, and unanimously re-elected Vice-Chair – Cllr Charlesworth.

3190 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES:

Cllrs Charlesworth and Kent agreed to represent the Council on the Village Hall Committee: Cllr Morgan (Co-opted) is already on it. Representation on the Parochial Parish Council was discussed but no appointment was made. Any other outside representation will be on an ad-hoc basis.

3191 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: Agreed; and signed by Chairman and Clerk.

3192 MATTERS ARISING: None

3193 CASUAL VACANCY: Due to a technical error (a resignation can only be acted on on the day it takes effect - April 22nd) the vacancy is being re-advertised via the notice-boards, with responses going to NSC's Mike Jones.

3194 EMERGENCY SERVICES & TRAFFIC

Nothing to report

3195 PLANNING

New Application: 09/P/0661/F Windy Ridge Coast Road: retrospective re steeper roof pitch (22° to 27°).
09/P/0677/F Restland, Coast Road: Replacement of 50 square metre dwelling. Original proposal in 09/P/0245/F included basement and was 168% larger (62% excluding the basement - a technical point) than the original. This application has no basement, (and no new garage), and is 54% larger than the original. **No objections to either.**

Decision Awaited: 09/P/0487/F Severn Leigh Extension/Garage

Granted: 09/P/0379/F The Chapel, Walton Street.

3196 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton St Drainage/Speed Limit/Weight Restriction: Minute 3161 refers.

Street Light: NSC has lighting under review: in the meantime, it belongs to WalG PC with a replacement value of £850 (See Insurance heading under Finance, below).

Public Footpath: Springhead Cottage is Right of Way LA 17/2. **Awaiting inspection report via Adrian Leonard.**

Litter above Walton Street: where cars park to use Common. **Awaiting news on cost of/responsibility for bin.**

3197 OTHER MATTERS

ALCA: AGM and invitation to nominate officers - Noted

3198 FINANCE

Accounts: 2009-10 to date - attached

Audit: 2008-09 internal audit complete - public notices to be posted. The meeting agreed that **Cllr Cannell could sign off the paperwork after the meeting, once he had given time to studying it.**

Insurance: Quotes from Allianz, Came & Co (Norwich Union), including the addition of 2 x notice boards @ £800 each and 1 x street light at £850. Came originally quoted £262.50 and later included the property at no extra premium. Allianz originally quoted a renewal fee of £289.48 and later included the property for £33.96 - £323.44 in total. They subsequently agreed to match the Came quote at £262.50. Some terms (Fidelity Guarantee) were better with Came and the meeting decided to go with them. **Clerk to arrange for signing of cheque after the meeting once the Clerk had confirmed the change with Came.**

Road Signs to St Paul's Church: Clerk wrote, again, for PCC agreement to ownership of signs per Minute 3152.

Cheques: 553 re May hall hire £12.50. 554 re ALCA subscription £60.47. 555 re CPRE £29.00. 556 re Insurance Came/Norwich Union £262.50.

3199 Councillors Reports

Cllr Morgan: 30 mph sign opposite Brighton Cottages obscured. **Clerk undertook to clear.**

Cllr Cannell: Fly tipping on Coast Road – Possible development at Arodene that require planning permission – **both being investigated by Clerk.**

The meeting closed at 7.45 pm



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Present: Cllrs Mr B Cannell (Chair), Mrs A Charlesworth, Miss F Morgan

In Attendance: PC Jenny Clark, Mr D Hill (Clerk)

3204 APOLOGIES: Mr P Slade (NSC Liaison)

3205 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: Agreed; and signed by Chairman and Clerk.

3206 MATTERS ARISING: None

3207 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF MAY 11th 2009: these were circulated for approval to all attendees - no queries were raised: they were signed by the Chairman and the Clerk) as a true record of the meeting.

3208 CASUAL VACANCY: NSC Electoral Services confirmed no response to public notices. Casual vacancy now exists.

3209 EMERGENCY SERVICES & TRAFFIC

PC Jenny Clark introduced herself as the new beat manager, working with PCSO Julie Lewis. Jenny said that crime was mercifully low in the parish. Cllrs highlighted litter, cycles on footpaths (both of which are hugely difficult to enforce) and speeding as key vexations. Cllr Ashton shared with the May Annual Parish Meeting the proposal that flashing speed signs be provided by NSC (£2500) on a parish-share basis with parishes paying for posts at around £80 each, (Clerk has logged a note to provide for 3 posts in the 2010-11 budget). Jenny was seeking possible locations for "speedwatch". Police are continuing their periodic speed-gun checks. Jenny talked about a new community policing initiative - PACT - aimed at gaining public involvement in crime and disorder reduction. It was agreed that the October meeting should be preceded by a public PACT session which would be publicised in the Information Sheet and on the notice boards.

3210 PLANNING

New: Restland, WB - **09/P/0837 & 0838/LDP**, Lawful Development Certificate re erection of single story and side and rear extensions to existing building, with basement under. No objections; Clerk to so notify NSC.

Decision Due: **09/P/0677/F** Restland, Coast Rd: Replacement house.

Granted: **09/P/0661/F** Windy Ridge Coast Road: re pitch. **09/P/0487/F** Severn Leigh Extensions

Queried: Arodene - Enquiry re permitted development in with NSC – **response awaited.**

3211 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton St Drainage/Speed Limit/Weight Restriction: Minute 3161 refers (inc repairs to Cross Tree Farm).

Roadsweeping (discussion mater at Annual Parish Meeting): Pavements now swept and should be done each time.

Public Footpath: Springhead Cottage is Right of Way LA 17/2. The step up to this path is an area of bedgock that has worn smooth. Whilst not deemed a danger in footpath terms, it is on a job list to be "roughed up" to provide more grip.

Litter above Walton Street (golf course): Advised that a bin at such a spot away from houses will invite fly tipping on an 'oh, the council will pick it up' basis. Clerk litter-picked.

Fly Tipping – Coast Road cleared, Moor Lane (Cassie's Gate) reported by Clerk and cleared by NSC contractors.

Coast Road 30 mph sign at Brighton Cottages: Clerk cleared with Fred Woodman's loppers.

3212 OTHER MATTERS

Policing Plan: Summary (target %s) 2009-12 - Noted.

Severn Tidings: Severn Estuary Partnership Newsletter - copies enclosed for WaG PC Cllrs. Noted.

Severn Estuary Coastal Group: Annual updating event June 8th - previously notified. Noted.

NS Town & Parish Charter Working Group: Set up meeting report. Noted.

3213 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Morgan: Other road signs are becoming obscured - **Clerk undertook to check and clear if possible.**

Cllr Cannell: Potholes on B3124 are becoming a hazard again. Bottom of Harley Hill becoming mud-ridden again. **Clerk to press for urgent pothole repairs and for the re-digging of the large grip on the bridleway opposite Harley House.**

3214 FINANCE

Accounts: 2009-10 to date - circulated.

Insurance: New Norwich Union documents on file.

Road Signs to St Paul's Church: Written confirmations from PCC now with Clerk. Site meeting held. Awaiting data against which to place order. Invoice will go to Roy Betts as PCC Treasurer, as will PC donation.

Cheques: **557** June hall hire £6.50. **558** Village Hall re Fete donation £650. **559** Clerk's Fee March-June '09 £423.25.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm



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In Attendance: Mr P Slade (NSC Liaison), Mr D Hill (Clerk)

Public Attendance: Bill Shier

3215 APOLOGIES: Cllr Mr R Kent

3216 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: After confirmation that the list of Attendees had been corrected, the minutes were agreed; and signed by Chairman and Clerk.

3217 MATTERS ARISING: None

3218 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

October meeting confirmed as Tuesday 6th October to be preceded by police PACT session at 7.30 pm - PC Jenny Clark to put out publicity. [Clerk to develop and post notice via Sept/Oct Information Sheets.](#)

3219 PLANNING

Granted: 09/P/0677/F Restland, Coast Rd: Replacement house.

Refused: Restland, WB - 09/P/0837 & 0838/LDP, extensions and basement to existing.

Queried: Arodene - Enquiry re permitted development in with NSC. [Clerk to update at September meeting.](#)

Barton: Work at Barton entrance beside Severn Leigh is being 'watched' by Floss Morgan. Noted

Birch: New, large, advert hoarding, at the lane entrance - on Birch property. [Clerk to check with NSC planning.](#)

3220 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton St Drainage/Speed Restriction: Minute 3161 refers (inc repairs to Cross Tree Farm). 18 month road closure notice effective 27th July in place - work to take 1 week. No date set yet.

Obscured Road Signs: Clerk has cleared.

B3124 Potholes: these were done by June 11th.

Mud on Harley Hill: Simon Banbury checking the Harley House bridle path grip. [Clerk to report to September meeting.](#)

Raised Slab in Walton Street: information via Emma Edwards - done by Simon Banbury, but up again. [Clerk to re-fit.](#)

Road Closure at Clapton: Back lane, 13th July for 2 wks; one-way diversions via Moor Lane.

3221 OTHER MATTERS

New Parish Council Charter: latest set of minutes to hand. Noted.

Parish Councils Airport Association: seeks support against BIA development plans. Noted and discussed. No action.

InterRoute: Filton seminar, July 21st re M4/M5 Highways projects and possible disruption. Cllr Cannell hopes to attend.

Casual Vacancy: The Clerk shared recent correspondence with Sue Betts, whose long history of interest in joining the Council was discussed. Sue had not taken advantage of two recent opportunities to put her name forward when the call for an election to fill a casual vacancy was posted - the Clerk had explained the procedure via correspondence. The Clerk has recently explained, by e-mail, the process of application to become a co-opted member and Cllr Morgan undertook to talk to Sue about this. If an application is received it will be brought to the next following meeting of Council for consideration.

Portishead Chamber of Tourism: The Chairman, Bill Shier had talked with Cllr Charlesworth. As he was at the meeting, Cllr Cannell, under Standing Order no 6, opened this session to public discussion and asked Bill to explain the purposes of the group as: "A chamber of businesses, organisations and concerned individuals involved in tourism. Our focus is on promoting Portishead and the surrounding area as a pleasant place to live and visit". The group meet every 3 months to share information, and to seek, via networking, the progressing of activities and needs that others may be able to help with. Bill will e-mail the Clerk with further information for possible inclusion in the Information Sheet.

3222 COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Nothing to report that has not been dealt with elsewhere.

3223 FINANCE

Accounts: to date - circulated prior to the meeting.

Church Road Signs: £305.12. Approved by Cllr Morgan (also PCC member). Waiting design approval from Sue Betts, after consultation, prior to confirming order.

Cheques: 560 July hall hire £6.50. 561 EDF re Street Light £5.57.

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall Monday 14th September 2009 at 7.30 pm

Present: Cllrs Mr Brian Cannell (Chairman), Mrs Ann Charlesworth, Mr Richard Kent, Miss Floss Morgan

In Attendance: Cllr Nigel Ashton (Gordano Ward, NSC), Mr Don Hill (Clerk)

Public Attendees: None

3224 APOLOGIES: Mr Paul Slade (NSC Liaison)

3225 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: Cllr Morgan pointed out that she is not a PCC member: the minutes were duly altered, were agreed, and were signed by the Chairman and the Clerk.

3226 MATTERS ARISING: None

3227 MICHAEL HOLLINGSWORTH: The meeting asked the Clerk to write to Mrs Hollingsworth, putting the gratitude of the Parish for Michael's long and energetic contribution to Village life on record and also to enter that gratitude into the Minutes of the Meeting. Everyone was so spontaneous and positive in their praise and thanks that it is impossible to represent the warmth of the conversation in the rather cool formality of a minute! Michael will be sorely missed.

3228 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Policing and PACT: PC Clark e-mailed (as summarised below):

In reviewing PACT, people don't really wish to attend public meetings when there is little or no crime and when much of the goings-on gets passed around by word of mouth and then reported directly to me if Police attention is required. This is the same in Weston in Gordano. Therefore I propose to hold PACT beat surgeries whereby my PCSO, Julie Lewis will be available every month at a set time and location for residents to come and speak about any issues that concern them. We can use Weston in Gordano village hall prior to their PC meetings so, I'd like to incorporate Walton and Weston's into one and invite Walton residents to pop over to Weston to see us. I will aim to attend WaIG PC meetings wherever possible and will be available, with Julie, to answer queries via phone and email at any time. The PACT process is likely to be more successful if we open the surgeries up to a larger group of people. If OK, I will do some posters advertising the beat surgeries and bring some over to Walton.

The meeting agreed with PC Clark's assessment above and is happy to proceed as she suggests, with publicity in WaIG directing residents to WeIG for PACT sessions. In view of this, and given timetabling complications that October 6th was offering up as a meeting date, it was decided to revert to the original meeting date of MONDAY OCTOBER 12th. Clerk to reply to PC Clark accordingly.

Neighbourhood Watch: During August there was a theft from the grounds of the Stable House in Walton Street. This prompted an enquiry re Neighbourhood Watch. The Clerk has undertaken - with Cllr Morgan's help - to assemble information on NW schemes operating in the Walton Down/Walton Bay areas.

3229 PLANNING

New: 09/P/1416/WT: Taggart via Bryant - 1 x Ash - fell 2 stems to stump, prune 3rd to 3 metres do develop. No objection.

09/P/1338/LUE: Cliffside, Coast Caravan Park seeking use for existing chalet as permanent residence. Concern was raised about "development creep" in the green belt: Cllr Ashton will follow up with NSC's Peter Davey.

09/1313 & 1315/LDP: Restlands, Walton Bay - 2 alternatives developed from the refused LDP applications in July, when planning permission was granted for a replacement dwelling. Clerk to comment to NSC via their website: "The Council is somewhat mystified by the array of applications for this site. As the 2nd LDP application, this, and it's sister application 09/P/1315/LDP appear less acceptable than the previous ones, to which we had no objection". Clerk to contact the owner of Restland to "see how the land lies". Cllr Ashton to follow up with NSC Planning.

Queried: Arodene - Clerk spoke with NSC's Dave Barrett. Works are permitted development, but with some minor infringements - to be regularised by a planning application which may include the re-build of a single

brick garage to make it waterproof. **Birch: Advert Hoarding:** Cllr Ashton asked Simon Banbury to investigate. [Clerk to follow up.](#)

3230 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton St Drainage/Speed Restriction: Minute 3161 refers. No date yet.

Mud on Harley Hill: Simon Banbury to keep an eye. Re-digging is a machine job - expensive.

Raised Slab in Walton Street: up again - refitted by Simon Banbury.

3231 OTHER MATTERS

InterRoute: Cllr Cannell attended their July session on M4/M5 maintenance and development plans and, beyond reporting possible impacts for motorway users - and on Walton-in-Gordano as part of the motorway alternative routing map - regaled the meeting with some fascinating insights to developing build techniques. He also pointed to a live traffic information service - trafficengland.com - which gives constantly updating information on weather, incidents, accidents, speed delays, and roadworks for all parts of the UK motorway system - [Clerk to provide information to Information Sheet.](#)

Casual Vacancy: Following publicity, no written applications were received by NSC or the Clerk.

Cross Tree Telephone Kiosk: BT have issued an offer for WalG PC to buy the kiosk for £1. Whilst being appreciated as a "fun" offer in principle, it got a mixed reception when the realities of ownership were considered. Particular concerns related to maintenance costs; the fact that the box sits on private - Miles Estate - land; insurance costs; cleaning costs; vandalism (the Walton Bay box was constantly vandalised until its removal). [Clerk to sound out residents to gauge their reactions to the idea of owning the box.](#)

North Somerset Council Housing Strategy: Clerk's summary circulated prior to the meeting attached - Cllr Ashton outlined some of the difficulties in provision, particularly those most likely to affect residents here - homes for the elderly. The report was noted.

Sustainable Communities Act Lobby Group: plea for support. Noted - no action.

Open Spaces Society: This year's invitation to join. Noted, will not be joining.

NS Local Standards Conference: Details and invitation circulated prior to the meeting. Noted - no action.

ALCA AGM: Not all councils are members and of those who are, not enough attend to give a quorum. NALC and its info is the main reason for needing ALCA. Noted; no attendance proposed.

TENONS: "The Environmental Network of North Somerset" (www.tenons.org.uk). Holding a meeting in WsM about Severn tidal power. TENONS is an independent interest group, involved with a wide range of things environmental. Noted.

Information Sheet: Emma Edwards kindly took over the September issue from Michael - it is hoped that Audrey Hollingsworth will continue the work: Emma has offered to support her, and to take over if Audrey wants her to.

Avon Invasive Weeds Forum (Environment Agency): a how-too re Japanese Knotweed, Himalayan Balsam etc. See <http://www.aiwf.org.uk/> Noted.

3232 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Kent: There was a drinks chiller dumped in Moor Lane by the Ash Track. Simon Banbury arranged for its removal within 24 hours.

Cllr Morgan: Speed on the Coast Road is a continuing concern. The current national review of speed limits is due to cover minor roads during 2010-11 and it is hoped that this will result in the imposition of a 30mph limit. Enforcement will still remain an issue.

3233 FINANCE

Accounts: to date - circulated before the meeting and noted.

Audit: Approved. Legal notices & copies of sections 1-3 posted to noticeboards 4th Sept for 14 days - to 18th Sept.

Church Road Signs: order in hand, utility searches being done prior to erecting posts.

Cheques: 562 September hall hire £12.50. 563 Clerk's Fee Jul-Sep £423.25. 564 Mazars re Audit £57.50.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm



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In Attendance: Cllr Nigel Ashton (Gordano Ward, NSC), Mr Don Hill (Clerk)

3234 APOLOGIES: Cllr Mrs Ann Charlesworth, PC Clark, Mr Paul Slade (NSC Liaison)

3235 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: were agreed, and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

3236 MATTERS ARISING: None

3237 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Policing: No crime to report.

Neighbourhood Watch: Clerk assembling data on schemes in the Walton Down/Walton Bay areas.

3238 PLANNING

New: Restlands: 09/P/1635/F (basement under house) - 90/P/1636/F (basement [same size] under terrace/house) - 09/P/1662/F (Terrace only) - based on granted application 09/P/0677/F and argued in the context of permitted development rights (certified here for 09/P/1313 & 1315/F) and relevant appeal case decisions. Discussed and resolved: no objections. Cllr Ashton to keep progress under review,

Restlands: History of recent applications: **09/P/1313 & 1315 LDP** - Development of existing property - certified as lawful development not requiring planning permission - except that proposed building in front of the existing dwelling was refused certification. **09/P/0837 & 0838/LDP** - Development of existing property - refused certification. **09/P/0677/F** - Replacement dwelling - granted **09/P/0245/F** - Replacement dwelling - withdrawn.

Decisions Due: 09/P/1416/WT: Taggart ash tree. **09/P/1338/LUE:** Cliffside, chalet as permanent residence. Cllr Ashton following up via Chris Nolan.

Granted: 09/1313 & 1315/LDP: Restlands, Walton Bay (see above)

Birch: Advert Hoarding: Planning permission being sought.

3239 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton St Drainage/Speed Restriction: Minute 3161 refers. No date yet.

B3124 badger activity: The badger setts are unoccupied. Work done to prevent re-occupation; prior to resurfacing.

3240 OTHER MATTERS

Cross Tree Telephone Kiosk: After an extensive house-to-house opinion-seeking canvass by the Clerk and Cllr Morgan, Walton-in-Gordano Parish Councillors decided, by 3 to 1, NOT to purchase the K8 kiosk.

Information Sheet Distribution: The Information Sheet appears not to be reaching all households in the Parish. With new properties appearing on the mobile home sites, more copies may need to be printed and actual deliveries by volunteers reviewed to see if distribution issues can be resolved. Clerk to liaise with Audrey Hollingsworth.

Great Western Ambulance Service: A hugely expensive 28 page brochure - the Annual Review 2008/09. Noted.

Automated External Defibrillator - AED Locator: There are plans to establish a national register of locations of these machines, that have operated in the Chew Valley area for two years. Information noted.

Improving Our Communities Together - North Somerset Sustainable Community Strategy 2008-2026: There are aspirations and aims set out for Equality of Opportunity, Community Affairs, Policing, Health Services, Employment, and Environment. They are much as one would expect but dressed up in "modern speak". A plea was put to Cllr Ashton for a simplicity of presentation that can be found in "NS Life". He understood, and noted the meeting's concern.

ALCA: Estimated subscription for 2010-11 will be £50.37 (£11.78 NALC & £38.59 ALCA). Note: under the constitution, notice must be given by Dec 31st if a member council wishes to resign their membership.

3241 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Cannell: "Changes to Waste Collection from March 2010" (summarised by the Clerk from an NSC document) was included with the Clerk's Report to the meeting, but omitted from "Other Matters". Cllr Cannell related it to a Mercury article on October 6th that seemed to imply a diminished service. Cllr Ashton explained the EEC financial penalties that are driving the imperative to improve recycling percentages. Far from the move to fortnightly collections implied in the newspaper article, there will be a wider range of waste materials that can be put in pavement recycling containers for weekly collection - including food; leaving only dry non-recyclable waste (little prone to infestation), to be collected from wheelie bins fortnightly. This is a real case of when needs must...

3242 FINANCE

Accounts: to date - circulated before the meeting and noted.

Church Road Signs: installation problems re siting of Walton Street sign; Cllr Ashton/Clerk to follow up.

Cheques: 565 October hall hire £6.50. 566 EDF Energy re public light £5.57.

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

3243 APOLOGIES: Cllr Mrs Ann Charlesworth, PC Clark

3244 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: were agreed, and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

3245 MATTERS ARISING: None

3246 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Policing - Neighbourhood Watch: rep for Two Acres (operating via Portishead) is Judy Clements at no 6. Active NW schemes receive a quarterly information sheet - North Somerset Community Watch. Two Acres Park also belong to Portishead based Operation Jackel, to raise awareness of doorstep crime. Other schemes at Walton Bay have lapsed.

Poaching: Andrew Weygood has reports of night activity that have been passed to PC Clark, posted to the noticeboards and via the December Information Sheet and circulated via Neighbourhood Watch.

3247 PLANNING

New: 09/P/1824/LB: Manor Ho Gazebo (seen from Clevedon Road) window replacement & general renovation. No objections. **09/P/1893/F** Retrospective to regularise a range of planning inconsistencies. No comment.

Decisions Due: 09/P/1338/LUE: Cliffside, chalet as permanent residence. **Cllr Ashton following up via Chris Nolan.**

Restlands: 09/P/1635/F (basement under house) - **90/P/1636/F** (basement [same size] under terrace/house) - **09/P/1662/F** (Terrace only) **Cllr Ashton to keep progress under review.**

Granted: 09/P/1416: Taggart ash tree.

Birch: Advert Hoarding: Planning permission being sought.

3248 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton St Drainage/Speed Restriction: Work started. **Clerk to liaise with Adam Wood/Simon Banbury re exact work being done.**

Walton Bay Sewage Leak: Leak into the bay at the Birch site followed up by NSC Environmental Health. New sewage system being installed and leaks likely to be because of this. Watch being kept. **Clerk to follow up.**

3249 OTHER MATTERS

Information Sheet: not reaching all households. With new properties on mobile home sites, more copies may be needed in future. New availability information is being added so that people know how to obtain copies. A reversion to the original format of putting the PC entry first, of standardising some of the basic information, and of regularising a monthly PC input was proposed. **Clerk to liaise with Audrey Hollingsworth.**

Information: Complaints & Equality: 2 sheets prepared by Clerk were adopted as part of the Governance paperwork.

Meeting Dates for 2010: Hall booking letter due - the meeting re-confirmed current pattern of meetings. **Clerk to book.**

3250 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Kent: suggested that an UP ARROW be painted on the road to the right of the Cross Tree (looking up) in an attempt to deter down traffic from pulling into the wrong lane to turn right towards Clevedon. **Clerk to liaise with Wood/Banbury to see what can be done.**

3251 FINANCE

2010 Budget - Fête Donation: Cllr Morgan confirmed that the Village Hall Committee has agreed to the new Walton-in-Gordano Social Club running future Village Fêtes (effectively the same people who have done so in the past). **She has undertaken to get this change confirmed in writing to regularise the new arrangements.** Emma Edwards has formally requested the traditional marquee-cost donation which will be discussed at the January 2010 budget meeting.

Accounts: to date - circulated prior to the meeting.

Church Road Signs: Expected to be erected before December.

Cheques: 567 November hall hire £6.50. 568 WaIG PCC re 2 Church Signs £150.00

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm



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Present: Cllrs Mr Brian Cannell (Chairman), Mrs Ann Charlesworth, Mr Richard Kent, Miss Floss Morgan

In Attendance: Cllr Nigel Ashton (NSC Gordano Ward), Mr Don Hill (Clerk)

3252 APOLOGIES: Mr Paul Slade (NSC Liaison), PC Clark

3253 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: were agreed, and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

3254 MATTERS ARISING: None

3255 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Policing: Avon & Somerset Police Newsletter received. Noted.

Fly Tipping: in Moor Lane. Reported by Gamekeeper Andrew Waygood to Clerk by e-mail (and via three telephone calls from residents). Andrew took photographs and name and address evidence which have been reported to Police and NSC, prosecuting authorities if the evidence proves robust enough.

3256 PLANNING

Decisions Due: 09/P/1824/LB: Manor Ho Gazebo renovation. **09/P/1893/F** Arodene Retrospective.

Granted: Restlands: 09/P/1635/F (basement), **90/P/1636/F** (basement/terrace), **09/P/1662/F** (Terrace)
09/P/1338/LUE: Cliffside, chalet deemed to be residence.

Birch: Advert Hoarding: Planning permission not yet sought. **Cllr Morgan to follow up with site owner.**

3257 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton St Drainage/Traffic Calming: due Feb/March 2010. Repairs re Cross Tree Farm outbuilding done.

Walton Street Road Markings: Painting of UP ARROW to right of the Cross Tree (looking up) to deter down traffic from pulling into the wrong lane to turn right towards Clevedon. **Clerk to liaise with Wood/Banbury.**

Walton Bay Sewage Leak: Watch being kept. **Clerk to follow up with NSC in January.**

3258 OTHER MATTERS

Church Signs: Erected. Members felt a modest aversion to being photographed by the signs at the invitation of the PCC. **Clerk to so inform the PCC and to thank them.**

Information Sheet: Return to PC being 1st entry and standardised format agreed with Audrey Hollingsworth.

Meeting Dates for 2010: Hall booking done. Dates circulated to attendees.

Age Concern Somerset: An update e-mail explaining their activities. Posters have gone to notice boards.

Composting Bin Competition: Notification from NSC that November is the final month. Noted.

NSC Development Control Workshop 26th Nov: Planning regulation updating. Noted.

Street Light: New EDF charging arrangements will raise the annual cost from £22 per year to around £280 per year. Quote awaited from Scottish & Southern Electric via NSC consultants, Energy Management, which gain us the block benefits of the NSC contract. We are not alone in following this route! It was decided that the new amount would not be paid and that, as well as following up the NSC route, and despite the possibility of there being no light at the location, **the Clerk should cancel the supply arrangements with EDF.**

Pylons: Discussion of the Hinkley to Avonmouth pylon route favoured a sea route between these two seaside locations. Key concerns are: 1. The visual impact and the overbearing presence of such huge structures to those using and living in the area. 2. The unproven but concerning health worries of very high voltages in such close proximity to residents. 3. In principle in this enlightened age, where a land route is the only option it should, wherever possible, be underground; notwithstanding the extra cost, (which would have to be re-worked to optimise rather than to maximise profit). **Clerk to write to National Grid in these terms.**

3259 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Kent: Loose/noisy cover on B3124 outside Plumtree Cottage. **Clerk to report to NSC.**

Cllr Cannell: Open section of Brook in Moor Lane needs clearing. **Clerk to report to NSC.**

3260 FINANCE

2010 Fête Donation: Ray Redmore (Chair Village Hall), confirmed that Fete now run by WalG Social Club.

Accounts: to date circulated prior to the meeting.

Cheques: 569 December hall hire £6.50. 570 Clerk's Fee Oct/Nov/Dec £423.25.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm



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In Attendance: PC Jenny Clark, Mr Don Hill (Clerk)

3261 APOLOGIES: Mr Paul Slade (NSC Liaison), Cllr Richard Kent

3262 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: were agreed, and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

3263 MATTERS ARISING: None

3264 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Policing: No crime reported during December. PACT meetings have been poorly attended in Gordano and will in future be held in Portbury only. To back up her team's work, speed checks may be carried out by Road Policing Unit during early/late evening when the problem is particularly bad. The Moor Lane fly-tipping is to be followed up. Cllr Cannell asked if data was available re the Christmas drink/driving campaign: Jenny will provide it when available.

3265 PLANNING

New: 09/P/2187/F: Sunnybank, Walton Street, extension. No objection. Cllr Cannell pleaded, in the context of it being in a conservation area, for the rear extension to be faced in stone to match existing rather than being rendered: he also warned that the rock structure to be excavated has historically been unstable and may need stabilising. **09/P/2208/F:** revision to approved 09/P/2443/F to move proposed gate from corner of Hall nearer to existing gate. No objection.

Granted: 09/P/1824/LB: Manor Ho Gazebo.

Withdrawn: 09/P/1893/F Arodene Retrospective. Elements of application due to be re-presented separately.

Birch: Advert Hoarding: Planning permission not yet sought. **Cllr Morgan to follow up with site owner.**

3266 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton St Drainage/Traffic Calming/Road Markings: 7th Jan site meeting postponed to next week due to weather. Cross Tree up arrow, Moor Lane Brook clearing and Home Farm Cottage drain problem noted for discussion. Cllr Cannell received a letter from Cross Tree Stores seeking early verification of dates for work: he spoke with Emma Edwards about this and passed the letter to the **Clerk who will inform her and others as soon as dates are known.**

Walton Bay Sewage Leak: Watch being kept. **Clerk to follow up with NSC in January.**

B3124: Loose/noisy cover outside Plumtree Cottage. Fixed.

3267 OTHER MATTERS

Church Signs: re minute 3258, Clerk e-mailed PCC to decline but thank them for their invitation.

Street Light: Re minute 3258, on advice from consultants EDF contact not cancelled pending SSE quote.

Pylons: Clerk wrote to National Grid per minute 2358, cc Dr Liam Fox MP, Cllr Ashton.

West of England Joint Waste Core Strategy: pre-submission consultation. Noted.

School Pupil Selection: Consultation on NSC selection strategies and school selection criteria. Noted.

Parish Councils Airport Association: Further e-mail pressure to that noted at our July meeting. Noted.

NALC 2010 Council Awards: Details noted.

3268 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Charlesworth: Has heard concern about new indoor facility at Clevedon Riding School. Clerk said that planning permission was sought: Cllr Cannell said once greenery had grown back it would appear less intrusive. Work at the Holly Lane electricity sub-station? This is site improvement, not development.

Cllr Cannell: had noted raised brook slab opposite Brook Cottage - Clerk said it has been re-fitted.

3269 FINANCE

Accounts & 2010-2011 Budget: Accounts, forecast to March 31st 2010 and 2010/11 budget proposals circulated before meeting. The meeting decided to increase the Clerk's Fee (which includes all expenses) in line with NALC salary scale and to include an amount for Councillors' Expenses. The Public light figure is a guesstimate pending a new supply arrangement. Purchases provides for 3 speed camera posts at entrances to parish. The estimated sum carried forward to 2010/11 is £1722 - less carry forward provision of £1500 = **£222 = carry forward contribution to 2010/11 expenses.**

2010/11 EXPENSES: Clerk's Fee: £1753 - Hall Hire: £110 - Public Light: £50 - Insurance: £290 - Councillors' Expenses £30 - Subscriptions: £100 - Donations (Fete Marquee): £650 - Information Sheet: £110 - Purchases: £270 - Audit: £75
TOTAL EXPENSES: £3438 less carry forward provision of £222 = **PRECEPT REQUEST = £3216.**

Cheques: 571 December hall hire £6.50. 572 Mrs A Hollingsworth Apr-Dec Information Sheets £76.50

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In Attendance: Mr Paul Croft (NSC Highways), Cllr Nigel Ashton (NSC Gordano Ward), Mr Paul Slade (NSC Liaison), Mr Don Hill (Clerk)

3270 APOLOGIES: Cllr Floss Morgan

3271 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: were agreed, and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

3272 MATTERS ARISING: None

3273 ROADWORKS

Paul Croft updated the meeting on the first week of work on the B3124 and Walton Street. Work started on time and the B3124 re-surfacing is ahead of schedule and going well. The Walton Street work hit a problem re the pipework levels into the outfall into the brook at Moor Lane. There were discussions about how this might have been avoided and about the gang that left the job after 3 days, apparently due to insolvency - and not for the first time. They were sub-contractors but, with NSC, they have performed well in the past. The foul sewer pipe at the Moor Lane outlet was damaged; it will in any event, be replaced by plastic and reset to avoid interference with the reengineering of the down flow from Walton Street. The fact of a foul pipe crossing a freshwater course, an issue in the past, is not, in this instance, now deemed to pose a problem. Paul Croft also commented on the level of verbal abuse suffered by the work gangs from transiting motorists using the closed B3124 as well as the continual relocation of the road closed barriers by motorists using that closed section. It was agreed that this behaviour could not be condoned and was unacceptable. Whilst a level of complaint is always an accompaniment to this sort of work, Cllr Cannell reported receiving specific calls of congratulation on the work so far. Access problems at Manor Drive will be addressed. It was agreed that the 'Keep Clear' sign by the Cross Tree be reinstated upon completion of the works and that a longer white line will be painted onto the junction of Moor Lane and the B3124 if it complies with regulations; Paul and the Clerk will have a site meeting on February 23rd to check progress and any particular issues relating to their January 21st site meeting.

3274 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Policing: The Moor Lane fly-tipping was from an un-reported stolen trailer & cannot be followed through with the trailer owner whose name and address were on the tipped material. PC Clarke provided Cllr Cannell with the requested Christmas drink/driving data.

Speed Watch Machine: allocated to WaIG from 1st April-1st June. Clerk and Cllr Cannell to be designated operators with Cllr Cannell undertaking to provide battery re-charging facilities at his home. **Clerk to update Cllr Ashton's office with this information, to confirm the exact availability dates for the machine, and the hand-over/operating procedures.**

3275 PLANNING

New: None

Decisions Due: 09/P/2208/F: Village Hall gate.

Granted: 09/P/2187/F: Sunnybank, Walton Street, extension.

Pending: Arodene Retrospective - re-applications due for uncontentious items. Problem items still under NSC review.

Birch Hoarding: NSC have called for a retrospective application: in any event the hoarding will be removed by Easter.

Restlands: Cllr Ashton reported that issues have arisen because the original building has been demolished rather than built around - discussions are in hand to try and resolve the situation.

Clevedon Riding School (outside WaIG parish): re Minute 3268, the roof colour continues to cause offence. **Cllr Ashton undertook to check the planning conditions relating to this.**

B3124 junction with Valley Road: Cllr Kent says this is a regular accident black spot and suggested some form of roundabout - **Cllr Ashton suspected there would not be room for one, but undertook to investigate signage options.** **Clerk to notify WaIG Clerk of this minute.**

Structure Plan: Cllr Kent asked for clarification of "Village Fences". Cllr Ashton explained the relationships between the Regional Spatial Strategy, NSC Core Strategy and Local Planning implementation and said that

whist development can be permitted within a village fence it cannot be were no such fence exists. The removal of village fences restricts planning freedom and helps control the modern phenomenon of “garden grabbing”, where every available garden space gets offered up for development.

Paul Slade left the meeting at 8.50. As he will be leaving NSC, the WaIG PC April meeting will be his last, and he offered apologies for the March meeting.

3276 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Walton Bay Sewage Leak: Resolved by Birch re-working their new sewage plant which showed seepage.

3277 OTHER MATTERS

Re-cycling Briefing: Town Hall, 7.30 pm, March 9th 2010. Noted. There is extensive and clear publicity to hand and in production which was felt adequate to WaIG needs.

Street Light: re Minute 3258, contract signed with Scottish and Southern Electric to run from March 1st 2010 for 31 months under the umbrella NSC contract. EDF increased prices with, effectively, no warning, as their notification was received 1 working day before the increase came into effect. On the EDF bill of £22.90 for the quarter to December 31st, Clerk to only pay the usual quarterly sum of £5.57 and write a letter of complaint to EDF, cc Dr Liam Fox and Cllr Ashton.

ALCA: Notice of meeting at Emerson’s Green on March 8th to discuss large council subscriptions. Noted.

NSC Standards Committee: circular letter/consultation dated 25th January re raising of ethical standards. Noted.

3278 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Charlesworth reported some fly tipping along the Ash Track in Moor Lane. As this is on private land it is outwith the jurisdiction of NSC to clear.

Cllr Kent complained about the condition of the sub-station fence in Moor Lane. Clerk to contact Western Power.

Cllr Cannell raised the question of Fete Marquee donation in the context of Minute 2010. It appears from the latest Information Sheet that no marquee is planned and this raises the question as to whether the sum specifically allocated as a donation towards this cost could be correctly made. It was confirmed that responsibility for the fete has passed from the Village Hall Committee to the WaIG Social Club/Social Committee. Notwithstanding a letter from Emma Edwards applying for a donation, the exact name, the structure, membership, lines of responsibility, and financial robustness of this group was not known to Councillors. This information is a prerequisite of releasing public funds to any organisation. Members agreed to consider possible ways forward and to discuss the matter further at their March 8th meeting.

3279 FINANCE

Accounts: Circulated prior to meeting. Discussed and noted.

Cheques: **573** February hall hire £12.50. **574** EDF Energy £22.50 - cancelled. **575** re Hall hire for January 21st roadworks site meeting £6.50. **576** EDF Energy re street light £5.57.

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm



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In Attendance: Cllr Nigel Ashton (NSC Gordano Ward), Mr Don Hill (Clerk)

Public Attendees: Mr Kevin Edwards

3280 APOLOGIES: Mr Paul Slade (NSC Liaison), PC Jenny Clark.

Paul Slade is retiring from North Somerset Council. Cllr Charlesworth asked that the Council's debt of gratitude to Paul for his support over the past few years be recorded and conveyed to him: this was unanimously endorsed. Cllr Ashton will pass on the Council's thanks and **the Clerk will write to him.**

3281 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: were agreed, and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

3282 MATTERS ARISING: None

3283 EMERGENCY SERVICES, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT

Policing: An attempted burglary at Clapton & two suspicious persons sited at Clapton Court & Weston Lodge Farm.

Speed (VAS) Machine: with WaIG 1st April-1st June. NSC's Michael Herbert to establish locations via Clerk. Kevin Edwards volunteered to change battery as needed. Battery charging will be done at Cllr Cannell's home.

3284 PLANNING

New: 10/P/0337/F: Restlands revised garage plan needed due to a planning technicality. It may need further work/re-application before going to committee. Cllr Ashton is keeping a watching brief.

Granted: 09/P/2208/F: Village Hall gate.

Pending: Arodene - re-applications still pending.

Birch Hoarding: In hand via NSC

Clevedon Riding School: Roofing conforms to planning as approved in writing on 3 July 2009: it is Asbestos Free "Eternit" Farmscape roof sheeting, colour "Anthracite" (Grey), with approximately 10% of the roofing in clear panels.

B3124 at Valley Road: Could improve splay, signage and lighting. Cllr Ashton progressing via WeIG PC.

3285 STREETS AND OPEN SPACES

Roadworks: Brian Adams visited Clerk's home to discuss traffic calming; he said Walton Street was due for reopening by 15th March - six weeks from the start of works and that additional works would be completed using traffic lights. **Clerk to re-confirm via Paul Croft.**

The meeting was suspended to allow Kevin Edwards to be involved in a session on "how the job is going". The meeting re-opened and it was agreed that the summary below be included within the minutes.

1. Concrete in inspection chamber opposite church, by yew tree has been "gullied out" to some 6" below the level of the plastic pipe due to several pump failures allowing water to ingress before concrete was hardened off. **Cllr Ashton agreed to consult with NSC's David Turner for an opinion/rectification.**

2. There is a concrete section of channel (20'?) linking sections of plastic pipe around some complex utility piping. Will this not provide a focus for future silting up that the plastic pipe was supposed to resolve? Cllr Ashton explained that there was no other effective way of by-passing the complex of utilities at this point.
3. Gullies are blocked as a result of works; will they be cleared before workers leave the site? **Clerk to confirm with Paul Croft.**
4. Kevin Edwards had expressed concern to members that the scheduling of works could have been more efficient and that the work could thereby have been finished in a more timely manner, and that significant unwarranted mistakes were made that prolonged the work. Whilst understanding local frustrations at the disturbance caused by the work, Cllr Ashton reminded the meeting that it was a complex undertaking, with problems that could not have been foreseen literally being "unearthed" - and needing resolution - as work progressed. The timetable was, per the pre-start site meeting information, expected to take the full six weeks.

3286 OTHER MATTERS

Street Light: re Minute 3258, EDF e-mailed confirmation of change to SSE. No response from EDF re letter of complaint but Dr Fox acknowledged the thrust of our protest. Final bill to hand with no discount per request in letter. **Clerk to seek response to his letter and prepare cheque to cover 2 months at old rate.**

Moor Lane Sub Station: Condition reported to Western Power 3pm 2/3/10. They will investigate/ remedy via WsM maintenance team (0117 971 8983).

NS Internal Drainage Board: Response to Severn Estuary Management Plan Review Consultation. Cllr Kent is now a member the Board. He expressed concern that current plans appeared underfund and may leave the Gordano Valley bed exposed to flooding over the next 10-20 years due to inadequate bunding and consequent over-topping at Clevedon and Portishead. The Board's response was noted. **Clerk to reply, thanking Mrs Harris for the information.**

N S Housing: Strategy 2010-12 consultation document. Noted.

Avon Wildlife Trust: Call for donation, in the context of them looking after Walton Common. **Clerk to advise them to re-apply in October, (providing an idea of the amount being sought, confirming that any donation would be spent within the Parish, and some detail as to how it would be used), for consideration at the November meeting.**

3287 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Charlesworth: Microwave oven in kerb by ash track in Moor Lane. **Clerk to arrange removal.**

Cllr Morgan: Barton/Birch residents concerned re Birch hopes to "develop" the cliff path and beach adjacent to their site. **Clerk to seek NSC's advice via Adrian Leonard.**

3288 FINANCE

Fete Marquee donation in the context of Minute 2010. The meeting agreed to support the principle of funding but not as a "blank cheque" donation. With no marquee and the field not being used for outside events it was queried whether the income generated would be as high in the context of the donation. Cllr Morgan agreed to get more information of the fete running costs and the formal set up of the WalG Social Club prior to further discussion. The issue of public liability insurance was raised now that it will not be covered by Village Hall insurance.

Accounts: Circulated prior to meeting. Discussed and noted.

Cheques: **577** March hall hire £12.50. **578** Clerk's Fee Jan-March £423.25. **579** A Hollingsworth re Information Sheet Jan-Mar 2010 £19.50. **580** EDF £3.72 being part payment of disputed invoice.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm