- 21/22/79 PRESENT Cllrs Barnett (in the Chair), Pople, Robins, Bell and Salter.
- 21/22/80 ALSO PRESENT 10 members of the public and DCllr Kingham.
- 21/22/81 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received and accepted from CCllr Huxtable.
- 21/22/82 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 21/22/83 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CONSIDERATION OF ANY DISPENSATIONS REQUIRED** Cllr Pople declared an interest in the Play Area being the Council's representative on the committee. DCllr Kingham declared an interest in planning and left the meeting before that item was discussed, the Chairman amending the order of the agenda items to suit.
- 21/22/84 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING were approved and signed.
- 21/22/85 UPDATES ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND NOT LISTED none.
- 21/22/86 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** DCllr Kingham reported following the decision regarding the reorganisation to a unitary authority, the district councils have been liaising. The reception area at Bridgwater House has been refurbished to enable confidential meetings in an open atmosphere. Sedgemoor has been granted about £2m to be awarded to small businesses in need of assistance. A new cinema is going up on the old Splash site and there will also be a bowling alley. Several members of staff continue to work from home. A new planning enforcement officer has been appointed following a period without one.
- 21/22/87 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT -** CCllr Huxtable was not present.
- 21/22/88 HIGHWAYS
  - a. <u>Langland Lane</u> The Chairman and Clerk had arranged to meet to take some photographs of potholes but had not yet managed to take them.
  - b. <u>Little Leaze Lane</u> Cllr Salter reported that a broken water main had been repaired. There is still a problem with surface water from another source near Bowden Cottage which Wessex Water have marked for investigation.
  - c. <u>A39 Resurfacing</u> The remaining section of the A39 which was supposed to have been resurfaced in September has still not been done.
  - d. 30mph limit on the Nydon On receiving apologies from CCllr Huxtable the Clerk had asked for an update on the matters he had undertaken to pursue on our behalf. His reply was that Highways would look at the problem relating to the moving of the 30mph sign and had undertaken to paint 'slow' on the road on both sides of the hill. He gave no other update. It was agreed to look into the possibility of an additional sign at the bridge possibly welcoming people to the village and asking them to drive slowly. Cllr Salter would look into this.
  - e. <u>Responsibility of surface along part of Steel Lane</u> the Clerk had contacted Highways but was still awaiting a response.
  - f. <u>Vegetation intruding on highways and footpaths</u> All households mentioned last month had been written to and several had taken action which was much appreciated.
  - g. <u>Grit bin status</u> Cllr Bell had undertaken a survey of the grit bins and reported back. Cllr Barnett would provide a shovel to replace the missing one and would also loosen up the grit in all the bins.
  - h. <u>Any other updates and problems arising</u> The poor state of Manor Road had been reported but it would be chased up. Sedgemoor would sort out the uplifted Manor Road sign in due course.
- 21/22/89 **RIGHTS OF WAY/FOOTPATHS** no problems reported. Mr Thomas agreed to continue as our contact with SCC for the time being.
- 21/22/90 **OFFER OF TREES FROM SDC** Sedgemoor had agreed that provided Highways approved the sites we could have two cherry trees for the verge along Lippetts Way. The Clerk would arrange a meeting between some of the councillors and Highways. If no site could be agreed Sedgemoor were willing for Catcott to have

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two hornbeams instead which they agreed could be planted on Edington's land along the Nidon if Edington permitted.

- 21/22/91 **DOG WASTE BINS** No update. Clerk to pursue.
- 21/22/92 **PLAY AREA REPORT** A recent Health and Safety inspection had taken place. The cost of a new roundabout had increased dramatically over the last few months. Other suppliers would be contacted. Finances to be investigated again.
- 21/22/93 BULBS the Clerk had again ordered bulbs for Catcott which a CVA representative would distribute.
- 21/22/94 **REORGANISATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT** The Chairman and Clerk had attended a Zoom meeting with the Clerk of Bridgwater Town Council which had proved very useful and informative. The Clerk had also attended an afternoon session at Bridgwater and had forwarded on to councillors the slides shown at the meeting. She also had some notes amplifying certain points.
- 21/22/95 **BOUNDARY CHANGES** DCllr Kingham reported that it is likely that these will not now take place as they would interfere too much with the reorganisation of Somerset to a unitary authority.
- 21/22/96 PRESENT DCllr Kingham left the meeting.

## 22/97 PLANNING -

- a. 14/21/00009 erection of dwelling and two storey garage at 3 Lippetts Way no objection.
- b. 14/21/00010 first floor extension at 14 Lippetts Way no update.
- c. 14/21/00011 conversion of outbuilding to accommodation at Polden Lea, The Nydon supported.
- d. Any other planning matters the Clerk had just been notified of 14/21/00012 extension at 14 Brook Lane on which she would consult with councillors as usual.
- 21/22/98 **HM THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE** Cllr Salter agreed to look into sourcing a suitable stone. The idea of the stone with a plaque would be put in the Polden Post report and villagers asked if they had any other thoughts on a suitable commemoration.
- 21/22/99 PARISH PLOT no update.

## 21/22/100 FINANCE

- a. Accounts check Accounts and statements had been emailed to councillors. Accounts approved.
- b. Cheques signature were approved as follows Chq.550 J Marshall (Salary and expenses) £342.72; Chq.551 Catcott Primary School (use of hall) £200.00; Chq. 552 Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal (Wreath for Remembrance Day) £25.00; Chq.553 Porter Plant Hire Services (flailing centre section of Parish Plot) £336.00.
- c. <u>Any other financial matters</u> A request for financial support for Neighbourhood Watch would be considered at the next meeting.
- 21/22/101 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION AND DISTRIBUTION** none other than circulated and CPRE literature.
- 21/22/102 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING none.
- 21/22/103 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none.
- 21/22/104 DATE OF NEXT MEETING Tuesday 9th November at 7pm in the School hall.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.50pm.

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