

- 22/23 /184 **PRESENT** - Cllrs Barnett (in the Chair), Pople, Salter, Thompson and Hall.
- 22/23 /185 **ALSO PRESENT** - SCllr Munt and 12 members of the public.
- 22/23 /186 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - none.
- 22/23 /187 **IN ATTENDANCE:** The Clerk to the Council.
- 22/23 /188 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CONSIDERATION OF ANY DISPENSATIONS REQUIRED** - Cllr Pople declared an interest in the Play Area as she is the Council's representative on the committee.
- 22/23 /189 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** - were confirmed and signed.
- 22/23 /190 **UPDATES ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND NOT LISTED** - none.
- 22/23 /191 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** - DCllr Kingham was not present.
- 22/23 /192 **SOMERSET COUNCILLORS' REPORTS** - SCllr Munt reported that the budget would be voted on next week. The merging of the councils into a unitary authority was resulting in no involuntary redundancies except at top level. The number of councillors would be reduced from 279 to 110 saving £½m. LCNs would be awarded £300,000 to start them off.
- 22/23 /193 **HIGHWAYS:** - The closure of Lippetts Way had caused a few problems for HGVs. Cllr Salter had reported the last problem in Little Leaze Lane on the website but nothing had yet happened. He would report it again. The road is in a poor state the other side of the Nydon Bridge. Three posts which had just been erected near the School are apparently to hold flashing warning signs at the beginning and end of the school day. No notification of this had been given to the Parish Council. The Clerk would look into this.
- 22/23 /194 **FOOTPATHS/RIGHTS OF WAY** - Cllr Thompson said that all problems had been reported to County.
- 22/23 /195 **PLAY AREA REPORT** - no update.
- 22/23 /196 **PLANNING:-**
- 14/21/00014 - Outline - land adjacent Old School Lane - 4 dwellings & new access - granted
 - 14/22/00015 - 25 Manor Road - Conversion of outbuilding to form 1 dwelling and erection of 2 detached garages with new access off Old School Lane - supported.
 - 14/22/00016 - Conversion of outbuilding to form 1 dwelling and erection of 2 detached garages with new access off Old School Lane - supported.
 - 14/23/00001 - Ryecroft, Lippetts Way - erection of single storey N & S elevations - with the revisions which have been made this application was supported.
 - Any other planning matters - none.
- 22/23 /197 **PARISH PLOT** - The Clerk had sent off the RPA request in good time and had also received an acknowledgement from Natural England agreeing to the proposed works being undertaken in due course.
- 22/23 /198 **STRIMMER TRAINING** - arranged for 10th March.
- 22/23 /199 **LOCAL COMMUNITY NETWORKS** - covered in SCllr Munt's report.
- 22/23 /200 **GROUND MAINTENANCE** - Cllr Barnett had shown the representative from "Stepping Out" the work that we require being carried out. The quote just received in response was advantageous and it was agreed to accept it.
- 22/23 /201 **CORONATION CELEBRATIONS** - Various ideas were put forward. The CVA are planning to hold a street party. Consideration would be given to the Parish Council providing memorabilia of some kind for the children of Catcott.
- 22/23 /202 **DOG WASTE BINS** - It was agreed to look into this further. Some ideas for sites were considered. The Clerk would check that the cost of emptying would remain at £2.68 per empty and would also look into the costs of providing the bins. It is hoped to be able to use posts already in situ for other purposes.
- 22/23 /203 **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** - This will be held on 9th May prior to the Council meeting. Notices would need to be got out earlier than usual to allow for the extra bank holiday associated with the coronation.
- 22/23 /204 **FINANCE**
- Accounts check - all councillors had been provided with accounts and statements. The accounts were approved.
 - Cheques for signature were approved as follows - Chq.610 J Marshall (salary and expenses) £371.58.
 - NatWest Bank Mandate - Cllr Thompson had been contacted by NatWest but nobody else had as yet.
 - Any other financial matters - The Clerk advised that the Council would need to pay for the website provision in March.
- 22/23 /205 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION** - CVA litter pick 12th March. Meet at The Pound at 10:00. Bacon butties at Court Farm afterwards.
- 22/23 /206 **ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS** - School lights
- 22/23 /207 **URGENT CORRESPONDENCE** - none.
- 22/23 /208 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - Tuesday 14th March 2023 in Catcott School Hall at 7pm

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Chairman

G. H. Barnett

Date

14/3/23