- 22/23 /209 PRESENT Cllrs Barnett (in the Chair), Pople, Salter, Thompson and Hall.
- 22/23 /210 ALSO PRESENT SCllr Munt and 7 members of the public.
- 22/23 /211 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE none.
- 22/23 /212 IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk to the Council.
- 22/23 /213 **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. Cllr Thompson declared an interest in the CVA as his wife is the Treasurer and he is the Publication Officer.
- 22/23 /214 MANOR FARM DEVELOPMENT update. This had to be postponed. It would be rearranged. It was noted that work on some trees had started.
- 22/23 /215 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING were confirmed and signed.
- 22/23 /216 UPDATES ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND NOT LISTED none.
- 22/23 /217 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** DCllr Kingham was not present.
- SOMERSET COUNCILLORS' REPORTS SCllr Munt reported that the budget. Heaviest expenditure was adult and child social care. Over the summer parish councils would be contacted with regard to setting up the Local Community Networks (LCNs). For planning matters Catcott would be included in Somerset North which would work in the same way as the district council planning department had worked. There would be 15 members on the committee and he would be one of them. The exact terms of reference and matters such as interest have yet to be decided. A pilot scheme is coming to Somerset on recycling a greater range of plastics.
- 22/23 /219 **HIGHWAYS**: Cllrs Thompson and Hall, together with the Clerk had met with Gary Warren from Highways and a new site for the badly placed sign had been agreed. The sign had already been moved satisfactorily. Little Leaze Lane is now unusable as a public highway with lorries being unable to negotiate it. Cllr Salter had reported the state of the lane via the ap but the Clerk would also write to Highways on behalf of the council. The road verge has been damaged near a grit bin and light and the Clerk would also report this as well as a badly sunken repair in Manor Road.
- 22/23 /220 **FOOTPATHS/RIGHTS OF WAY** the finger post at the footpath near the top of Weares Lane has been reinstalled.
 - '23 /221 **PLAY AREA REPORT** Cllr Pople reported that the committee is now thinking about possible Easter activity.

22/23 /222 PLANNING:-

- a. 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 no update.
- b. <u>14/22/00016 Conversion of outbuilding to form 1 dwelling and erection of 2 detached garages with new access off Old School Lane</u> no update.
- c. 14/23/00001 Ryecroft, Lippetts Way erection of single storey N & S elevations granted.
- d. Any other planning matters none.
- 22/23 /223 PARISH PLOT no update. The Clerk would need to complete the RPA claim form shortly).
- 22/23 /224 **STRIMMER TRAINING** Cllr Thompson had completed this. If any other person wished to be trained on behalf of Catcott the Parish Council would need to pay the whole cost.
- 22/23 /225 LOCAL COMMUNITY NETWORKS covered in SCllr Munt's report.

Chairman J.R. Born

Date 11/4/23

CATCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday, 14th March 2023 in Catcott School Hall at 6.30pm

- 22/23 /226 **CORONATION CELEBRATIONS** Following discussion it was agreed to order mugs for children with a picture of King Charles III on. These to be ordered in the same quantities as the VE Day medals had been ordered from Running Imp. A form similar to the VE Day form would be distributed to all households. The CVA and Village Hall Committee were organising a Street Party. It was also agreed that the Council would look at adapting the existing plaque in the Pound to include the coronation. Cllr Salter would investigate the costs of doing this.
- 22/23 /227 **DOG WASTE BINS** It was agreed to purchase three 40lt dog waste bins. Sites would probably be at The Pound, in Steel Lane and at the Footpath finger post near the top of Weares Lane.
- 22/23 /228 **GROUND MAINTENANCE** because the grass had not grown much it was agreed to accept the contractor's suggestion of a later first cut.

22/23 /229 FINANCE

- a. <u>Accounts check</u> all councillors had been provided with accounts and statements. The accounts were approved.
- b. <u>Cheques for signature</u> were approved as follows Chq.611 J Marshall (website provision) £354.37; Chq.612 J Marshall (salary & expenses) £383.55; Chq.613 Information Commissioner (Data Protection) £40.00; Chq. 614 SDC (Grounds maintenance) £259.86.
- c. <u>NatWest Bank Mandate</u> Still nothing further had happened so the Clerk would write to them.
- d. Any other financial matters none.
- 22/23 /230 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION, CIRCULATION, DISTRIBUTION** C&CD. A village Cleanup had taken place with 33 people taking part. As well as the usual rubbish the District Council had also collected 11 tyres which had been reported dumped.
- 22/23 /231 ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS Annual Parish Meeting on 9th May would start at 6.30pm.
- 22/23 /232 URGENT CORRESPONDENCE none.
- 22/23 /233 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** Tuesday 11th April 2023 in Catcott School Hall at 7pm (or at 6.30 if the update on the Manor Farm Development is ready to be presented to the village).

The meeting closed at 7.25pm

Chairman G.R. Borne

Date 11/4/23