

- 26/27 - 74 **Present** - Cllrs Barnett (in the Chair), Hall, Pople, Salter and Thompson.
- 26/27 - 75 **Also Present** - 4 members of the public.
- 26/27 - 76 **In Attendance** - The Clerk to the Council.
- 26/27 - 77 **Apologies for Absence** - SCLlr Martin is away.
- 26/27 - 78 **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.
- 26/27 - 79 **Minutes of Previous Meeting** - were approved and signed.
- 26/27 - 80 **Updates arising from previous meetings and not listed** - none.
- 26/27 - 81 **Somerset Councillors' reports** - SCLlr Munt had sent a written report which the Clerk read to the meeting.
- 26/27 - 82 **LCN and Highways Group** - Cllrs Barnett and Hall reported on the latest meeting when a chair and vice-chair were elected. Planning and flooding discussed.
- 26/27 - 83 **Highways:-**
- Road near Nydon Bridge - Clerk to ask Highways to consider updating in a future year. Very difficult for trailers with high loads on such uneven ground.
 - A361 closure at Burrowbridge - temporary lights 29 June - 22 July. Then total closure 23 July - 2 September
 - Grit bins - Cllr Thompson would check the bins and report back to the clerk.
 - Drain lid - Cllr Pople reported on a lifted drain lid. It appeared to have been forced up during heavy rain. Clerk had notified Wessex Water.
 - Any other highways updates - Burtle road closure 13-31 July for work on bridge at Burtle.
 - Highways Problems arising - hedges are protruding on to the road. Clerk will write to the responsible landowners.
- 26/27 - 84 **Rights of Way/footpaths** - Cllr Thompson reported that he has trimmed the footpaths. There are a couple of derelict stiles.
- 26/27 - 85 **Play Area report** - nothing to report.
- 26/27 - 86 **King William Inne** - This is now open and doing good business.
- 26/27 - 87 **Planning:-**
- 14/25/00005 - Replacement dwelling and garage - 8 Lippetts Way - no update
 - 14/26/00004 single storey extension at The Four Seasons, Chilton Polden Hill & linked application 14/26/00005 - The Council had no objections to 00004 as it is non contentious. With regard to 00005 the Clerk was instructed to request a condition be made that the use of the office be solely reserved for use of The Four Seasons only. This is in order to prevent more traffic entering/using the area. Otherwise there was no objection.
 - Any other planning matters for information - none.
- 26/27 - 88 **Somerset Local Plan** - Cllr Salter had studied the document and told the council of his findings. There was a strong feeling that both Catcott and Edington should stand on their own and not be merged in this document.
- 26/27 - 89 **Parish Plot** - no update on the completing the new RPA application.
- 26/27 - 90 **St Peter's Church** - There is a meeting on Thursday in the Church at 7pm.
- 26/27 - 91 **National Park** - there is currently some discussion regarding the possibility of making the Somerset Levels a National Park. There is a meeting on 1st October in Glastonbury at 7.30pm which Cllrs Barnett and Hall will attend.
- 26/27 - 92 **CVA Defibrillator** - it is hoped that the transfer to the parish council will take place in the near future.
- 26/27 - 93 **Open Gardens** - had proved very successful It was the best of the last three and raised about £340 from approximately 3,000 attendees. Car parking had been the biggest problem together with some people inadvertently not having been required to pay.
- 26/27 - 94 **Finance**
- Cheques for signature - were approved for signing as follows:- Chq.754 Clerk (July salary and expenses) £480.28; Chq.755 Somerset Council (bin emptying) £202.80; Chq.756 (replacement cheque for 751) £283.75.
 - Accounts - accounts and statements had been sent to councillors. The accounts were approved.
 - Any other financial matters - VAT refund of £943.09 has been received.
- 26/27 - 95 **Items for information, circulation, distribution** - C&CD; WW drop ins.
- 26/27 - 96 **Items for future meeting(s)** - NALC new financial regulations; NALC new Standing Orders; Various policies required for website.
- 26/27 - 97 **Urgent correspondence** - none.
- 26/27 - 98 **Date of next meeting** - Tuesday 8th September 2026 at 7pm in Catcott School Hall. No meeting in August.
- The meeting closed at 7.40pm

Chairman

Date