

## North Cadbury & Yarlington Parish Council

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“Draft” Minutes of the Parish Council (PC) Meeting held in The Reading Room, North Cadbury on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018 commencing at 7.00pm

**ACTION**

**Councillors Present:** Cllr M Hunt (Chairman), Cllr A Bartlett, Cllr B Board, Cllr A Brain, Cllr L Cheesman, Cllr R House, Cllr A Keys-Toyer, Cllr M Martin and Cllr P Wood.

**In Attendance:** C.Cllr M Lewis, D.Cllr N Weeks, the Clerk and six members of the public.

- 18/151. In Memoriam for Mr Terry Glass:** The Chairman invited Mr Keith Northover to say a few words in memoriam for our friend and colleague Mr Terry Glass who sadly passed away on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018. Terry was a councillor with Mr Northover for many years representing Galhampton and, through the years, contributed significantly to the PC and the community with his wife Pat. The Chairman extended the PC’s sympathy and condolence to his wife Pat and the rest of his family; he will be sorely missed. The Chairman asked for those present to stand for a moment in respect for his memory.
- 18/152. Electors Question Time/Comments:** The Chairman invited Mr N Sinfield to introduce himself and his business proposal, which he aims to open in spring 2019, on a parcel of land leased from Mr and Mrs A Montgomery close to the A303. Mr Sinfield advised that the business, ‘Teals Orchard’, set up with his wife, would be a destination farm shop combining food market, kitchen and lifestyle store serving the local community, destination visitors and those passing by on the A303. Following pre-planning advice from South Somerset District Council (SSDC) their aim was to seek initial views, support and recommendations from parishioners and councillors, through pre-consultation, to develop a detailed planning application. If successful the business would become a long term tenant of the farm in the desired location. A date and venue for pre-consultation was yet to be confirmed.
- 18/153. Apologies for absence:** Cllr D Handley.
- 18/154. Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 18/155. Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Report:** None.
- 18/156. Report from County and District Councillors:**
- a. C.Cllr Lewis reported that ‘Friends of Castle Cary Library’ would hold a coffee morning from 10.00am to 1.00pm on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2018 in the Market House to raise funds and recruit anyone interested in helping to maintain the library.  
Cllr Lewis reported on the poor state of Somerset County Council’s (SCC) finances and were currently debating various options to create a unitary authority. If SCC’s finances were not rectified the government could serve a section 114 notice on the council and take over both the County and District Councils; Northampton County Council was in a similar situation. Cllr Lewis explained that one of the major overspends was on Children Services which costs the council £20 million per annum, however, Adult Services were starting to resolve their budgetary issues.
- b. D.Cllr Weeks reported that the process of ‘Transformation’ continued to have an adverse effect on the council and its services, however, he would always try and help whenever necessary and contact by phone was preferable over Email.  
Cllr Weeks reported that Cllr Ric Pallister had stood down as Leader of the Council and Cllr Val Keitch had been elected as the new Leader with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018.

**18/157. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018 were received, agreed and signed as a true record.**

**18/158. Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

a. Bus Services Galhampton. The Chairman reported that the PC had received a number of letters opposing the proposed new route through Galhampton and two letters in favour, which all councillors confirmed they had received and read. There followed a full and lengthy discussion in which the pros and cons were debated on the options available. However, it was considered that the need was greater for the convenience and safety of the increasing elderly population and residents in Galhampton than the objections against, therefore, the PC should at least try the scheme. **The Chairman proposed that the PC considered a three months trial, with a seventy two days notice period for conception and termination, based on three buses per day in each direction, at approx. 9.30am, lunch time and 5.30pm, in each direction and on Saturdays, which was debated further and, after fair and difficult consideration, agreed unanimously.**

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b. Speeding Farm Vehicles Galhampton. Cllr House reported that he had drafted a letter to the Agricultural Contractor, which the Clerk sent and no reply received to date.

c. Highways. Cllr Brain previously circulated his detailed Highways Report, which can be found at Attachment 1. **The Clerk agreed to hasten the quote for an occasional strim around parish signage. (Cllrs Lewis and Weeks left the meeting at 8.05pm)**

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d. Footpaths. Cllr Cheesman reported that he had arranged to meet with Mrs S Fone, Parish Paths Liaison Officer (PPLO) and Jake Taylor, SCC Volunteer and Trails Officer on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2018, to discuss the options and schemes available for support and maintenance of the Rights of Way (ROW) in the Parish.

e. Silhouettes in Somerset to mark World War One Centenary. Cllr Martin reported that he had submitted an application for six silhouettes which, if approved, would be appropriately placed by the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

**18/159. Proposed Diversion of Public ROW in the parishes of North Cadbury, Sparkford and South Cadbury – informal consultation with comments on proposals to be received by 6 Aug 18:**

The PC previously consulted with the PPLO who had no objection provided it would not set a precedent. **Following a brief discussion the PC agreed that it had no objections to the proposed diversions of public ROW in the parish.**

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**18/160. Planning:**

a. **APPEAL IN RESPECT OF APPLICATION DECISION REFERENCE: 17/04023/FUL –** Erection of 8 detached dwellings at Harvester Works, Mayfield Close, Galhampton. **PLANNING INSPECTORATE APPEAL REFERENCE: APP/R3325/W/18/3202416. APPEAL START DATE: 26 Jun 18.** Written representations to be received by 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018. **The Clerk agreed to draft a strong but brief letter of support.**

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b. **APPEAL IN RESPECT OF APPLICATION DECISION REFERENCE: 16/03476/FUL -** The change of use of land and the retention of one mobile home, one touring caravan, one shipping container, treatment plant, hardstanding, gates and fencing on Land OS 8735 Sandbrook Lane North Cadbury Yeovil Somerset. **PLANNING INSPECTORATE APPEAL REFERENCE - APP/R3325/C/17/3190704. APPEAL START DATE: 28 Jun 18.** Representations to be received by 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018 for an Informal Hearing. The PC confirmed that letters could be sent direct to the Planning Inspectorate or via the Chairman.

c. South Somerset District Council (SSD) Decisions:

i. **PA 17/03667/FUL.** Demolition of existing dwelling and associated buildings, erection of replacement dwelling with detached garage and stables. Associated access improvements and landscape works at Fishermans Hut, Sticklepark Lane, Yarlington – **GRANTED.**

ii. **PA 18/01365/COL.** Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for the existing use of land as residential (revised application) at Higher Farm, Woolston Road, North Cadbury – **GRANTED.**

iii. **PA 18/01406/FUL.** Renovation and repairs to roof, installation of 5 conservation grade rooflights, 1 new window on North elevation, replacement windows and installation of air source heat pump at Coach House, Woolston Road, North Cadbury – **GRANTED.**

iv. **PA 18/01457/S73.** Application to remove condition 03 (agricultural tie) from planning permission 883300 (permitted at appeal 04/12/1989) at New Park Gate Bungalow ,New Park Farm, Gibbet Road, Bratton Seymour – **REFUSED.**

**18/161. Finance and Accounts:**

a. The Finance Report for period 20 Jun to 25 July 2018 was received and approved.

b. Payments Approved:

Clerks Expenses 20 Jun to 25 Jul 18	£57.70
SALC Training 27 Jun 18	£30.00
Reading Room Hire 20 Jun 18	£14.00
SW Broadband renewal	£53.88
Camelot Parishes – printing flyers	£16.00
Camelot Parishes – advert in Excalibur Aug 18 – Jul 19	£60.00
Cllr Board – printing flyers	£24.00

**18/162. North Cadbury Parish Fete – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2018: The Clerk agreed to set up a rota for the Chairman and Cllrs Brain, Cheesman, House and Wood to ‘man’ a PC stall between 2.00pm and 5.00pm. Cllr Board agreed to arrange for the printing of a sign and Cllr Martin agreed to print off some copies of the Community Plan to be handed out at the stall.**

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**18/163. Correspondence circulated:**

a. SSDC Press Release: Alternative arrangements for contacting the planning service department. Incoming direct calls to the Planning service will only be answered between 9.00am until 10.00am and 4.00pm to 5.00pm daily. During all other hours, calls will go to voicemail and be actioned when the Planning Officer becomes available. The Duty Planner service will only operate from 9.00am to 1.00pm daily by calling 01935 462462, after this time messages will be taken and passed to planning officers. Until further notice, there will be no Planning Officer for walk-ins at Brympton Way Yeovil or Petters Way, Wincanton.

**18/164. Items of Report and Future Business:**

a. Cllr Keys-Toyer reported that he had gathered information and advice on setting up a Community Speedwatch, which would be on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

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b. Cllr Keys-Toyer, as the PC representative at the recent North Cadbury Village Hall meeting, reported that Rose Adams would be exhibiting her art project ‘A Moment in Time’ in the Village Hall, which would include photos and audio of various events from within the parish.

c. Cllr Board advised that, following Cllr Cox’s recent resignation, the PC had a vacancy for a Parish Environmental Warden. The Clerk advised that the vacancy would be advertised shortly for co-option of a new member at the PC meeting in September.

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d. The Clerk reported that North Cadbury Allotment Association had requested a letter of support from the PC for submission with their SSDC grant application to purchase a petrol pump to draw water from the stream to supplement the water storage tanks around the allotments. **The PC agreed that the Clerk should draft a letter of support.**

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e. The Clerk reported that there would be a meeting regarding the future of Castle Cary Library on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm, venue to be confirmed, if any councillors were available to attend and would circulate the briefing paper and agenda upon receipt.

**18/165. Date and time of next meetings:** Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018, in The Reading Room, North Cadbury, commencing at 7.00pm.



There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05pm.

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**North Cadbury & Yarlington Highways Report - July 18**

<p><b><u>Three Ashes Junction/Cary Road</u></b></p>	<p>This relates to the plan to extend the 40mph speed limit on the A359, starting at Galhampton, to just after the Three Ashes junction to North Cadbury. The A359 speed limit TRO has now been sealed. No objections were received. The works have been passed to the SSDC contractor with a 3-month completion timeframe.</p> <p>When the 40mph speed limit on the A359 is extended this will become the new speed limit up to the North Cadbury 30mph zone.</p>
<p><b><u>Re-positioning of North Cadbury 30mph speed restriction signs.</u></b></p>	<p>The 30-mph signage, approaching North Cadbury from the Three Ashes junction, was recently moved to the bottom of the hill towards North Town in order to be more clearly visible to approaching traffic. Once the area around the sign has been strimmed I will review its location as this appears to be still too close to the corner.</p>
<p><b><u>Drains in Lower Back Way/ Sandbrook Lane</u></b></p>	<p>Following improvements to the drainage in the lane, patching work in lane patching will be considered from April 2018 - Ongoing</p>
<p><b><u>Lower Back Way Opposite Sycamore Cottage</u></b></p>	<p>As above. Patching will be considered from April 2018 - Ongoing</p>
<p><b><u>Sandbrook Lane Right of Way Erosion</u></b></p>	<p>On the stretch of lane leading past “the Cabbage Patch” water is leaving the lane though the hedge into the field, in two places on the east side, making the footpath (part of the Leland Trail) unpassable. SSDC need to determine where the local gullies outfall to then identify a solution - Ongoing</p> <div data-bbox="407 1224 1240 1535" data-label="Image"> </div>
<p><b><u>Highway Erosion Sandbrook Lane</u></b></p>	<p>The edges of the lane are eroding in a number of places.</p> <p>Highways view is that these are not at Safety Intervention level. However, following the recent works undertaken to re-establish the ditch bank, there may be a budget available to address verge erosion areas.</p>

	
<p><b><u>Drains in Hearn and March Lanes</u></b></p>	<p>Drain pipe damage, close to the junction of Galhampton Manor, will benefit from repairs in the near future.</p> <p>Works are pending.</p>
<p><b><u>Highway Erosion in Hearn and March Lanes</u></b></p>	<p>Areas of damage to the road surface in the area were actioned under a Work Order. No further safety defects have been identified.</p> <p>Patching will be considered from April 2018 - Ongoing</p>
<p><b><u>Highway erosion in West Street Yarlington</u></b></p>	<p>Leaving Yarlington along West Street the road surface is starting to break up. This is subject to Enquiry 420038.</p> 
<p><b><u>Highway Erosion on the lane joining West Street to Stoke Lane</u></b></p>	<p>The lane joining West Street to Stoke Lane is also breaking up. Although this is not at safety intervention at time of inspection a patching order is to be raised. Subject to Enquiry No.420029.</p> 

<p><b><u>Highway Erosion in Stoke Lane in the Vicinity of Yarlington Mill Farm</u></b></p>	<p>Drainage water is exacerbating the wear in the lane with tramlines forming (at the upper right of the 'photo) which impact the direction of steering of a vehicle.</p> <p>A minor drainage scheme is to be implemented to catch spring water and re-establish existing drainage, which is functioning. Then patching will be undertaken. The land owner has been contacted to clear their ditches.</p> 
<p><b><u>Highway Erosion in Corkscrew Lane</u></b></p>	<p>In Corkscrew lane there is some erosion on the sides and narrowing of the lane due to active badger setts.</p> <p>Highways view is that the erosion is not at safety intervention level and works near badger setts would require a licence.</p> <p>There are very long delays on badger licences as a result of Natural England resource and high demand on them.</p> 
<p><b><u>Lane between Blackford and North Cadbury</u></b></p>	<p>Various areas of deterioration on Lower Woolston Road have been identified as meeting or exceeding safety intervention levels and are have programmed for repair, dependent on their severity and according to the current policy, from between 24-hrs and 28-days.</p>

<p><b><u>Inverted Speed Limit Roundel on the North Cadbury to Woolston Road</u></b></p>	<p>This has been noted and will be rectified.</p>
<p><b><u>Verge Cutting in 2018</u></b></p>	<p>Grass verge maintenance is late being undertaken. Please see the details on the following web page, we are currently at about No.40 on the list (minor roads). Please see;</p> <p><a href="https://www.travelsomerset.co.uk/grass-cutting/">https://www.travelsomerset.co.uk/grass-cutting/</a></p> <p>The District Council has asked us to note, however, that the cutting of hedges abutting the carriageway is only to one swathe height so this still present an issue until the land owners are able to trim their hedges.</p>

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