

**NORTH CADBURY & YARLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**ACTION**

**“Draft” Minutes of North Cadbury & Yarlington Parish Council (PC) Meeting held on  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2011 in Galhampton Village Hall.**

**Present:** Mr M Hunt (Chairman), Mr D Handley (Vice-Chairman), Mr P Newth, Mrs W Legg, Mr K Northover, Mr A Bartlett, Mrs J Montgomery, Mrs P Wood, Mr R Lawrenson and Mr T Glass.

**In Attendance:** Mr R Little (County Councillor), Mr N Weeks (District Councillor), two members of the public and the Clerk.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Mrs J Masters and the Police Community Support Officer (PCSO).
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
3. **Comments from Residents:** A resident reported the poor condition of the verge along Ridgeway Lane. Cars had been parking on the verge for a considerable period whilst building work was carried out on the house opposite. There was also concern that the verge could become a permanent parking area. Mr Lawrenson had spoken to the Highways Dept who would report back once the site had been visited. Upon receipt of the report the PC would decide what action to take.  
Mrs Fone, North Cadbury School Governor, asked the PC on behalf of all the Governors and Mrs Craggs, Head Teacher, for its support in agreeing that short term make-do-and-mend work to prolong the life of the mobile classrooms, which were now over 42years old and beyond economic repair, would be a waste of public money. Following discussion of the issues **it was agreed that the PC did not have responsibility for the school, however, it would strongly support efforts made to make any viable improvements to the school which would remain in place for the long term. Mrs Fone agreed that Mr Little would be contacted formally with details.**  
Mrs Fone thanked the PC on behalf of the school for their support. She also gave the PC a letter from the children asking if the Eco Club could make two small flower beds underneath the village signs at both ends of the village and plant them with silver leaved and white flowered plants to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee Year. They would take responsibility for the planting, weeding and removal throughout the year. **The PC agreed and a letter would be sent approving the request.**
4. **PCSO Report:** The Clerk read out the report received from the PCSO. In the period between 11<sup>th</sup> November and 11<sup>th</sup> December 2011 there had been two reported crimes; one for a domestic incident in Galhampton and one for the theft of garden ornament from North Cadbury. There were also seven calls to the police in this period of which the police had to attend two. Over the same period last year there had been nine calls of which the police had to attend six.
5. **Reports from County and District Councillors:** Mr Little (County Councillor) reported that SCC was in the budget process which would be set by the middle of February 2012. He considered it important that the PC take the opportunity to comment on Somerset’s Countywide Parking Strategy consultation. **Decision – see Item 13a.**  
Mr Little and the PC discussed at length SCC’s consultation on the reduction in subsidies to local bus services which had just been distributed with a deadline for responses to be received by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2012. **It was agreed that the Chairman would circulate a response for approval.**  
Mr Weeks (District Councillor) reported that Castle Cary Town Council was in the process of negotiating with SSDC on car parking in the town and was considering an increase in the precept in an effort to maintain free parking. He believed that Wincanton Town Council was considering similar action.  
Mr Weeks commented on the recent correspondence regarding precept capping and the changes to the 106 planning agreements whereby the Parish may have more of a voice in how the money was spent within the community rather than the money being held centrally in Yeovil. The Clerk asked Mr Weeks to ascertain whether Mr Cook at SSDC had been able to look into the possibility of a grant towards the possible provision of a parking area along Woolston Road, **to which he agreed.**

Clerk

Chair

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6. **Minutes of the last meetings:** held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2011 were received, agreed and signed as a true record.

7. **Matters Arising:**

a) The Queens's Diamond Jubilee Event. Mr Bartlett reported that North Cadbury Organising Committee had held two meetings since the last PC meeting. Two main events had been decided upon. The first was to hold a Big Lunch in Cadbury Court on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2012 following the Church service along with other peripheral events being held in the villages. On Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2012 North Cadbury would join with South Cadbury on a torch lit procession to Cadbury Castle where they would light the beacon. A number of fundraising events would be held, one of which would be "Cadbury's Got Talent".

Mr Handley advised that a further meeting had been arranged in January to discuss the celebrations in Yarlington. They too would be holding fund raising events to fund the celebrations.

Mr Glass advised that nothing official had been arranged yet for Galhampton, however, there would most probably be a feast and a tea party. **It was agreed that the level of funding by the PC towards the celebrations throughout the parish would be decided at the precept meeting in January 2012.**

b) North Cadbury Playing Field Boundary Fence. Mr Newth reported that he had spoken to Mr A Montgomery who agreed to speak to his solicitor to see if funds were forthcoming as part of the fulfilment of planning gain conditions, which could be used towards the replacement of the fence. Mr Weeks advised that there was a "Community Infrastructure Fund" which may be used towards the replacement of the fence, especially if its current condition was considered a hazard for children.

c) Gritting of parish roads. Mrs Montgomery reported that she had collected the parish's allocation of de-icing material and was storing it in a dry place. Mr Newth advised that the experiment to see if the material worked in the farm spreader had not yet taken place, but would shortly. The Winter Service Information Pack provided by SCC showed that the A359 was included on the pre salting network, while Parish Hill, Cary Road and the hill in Yarlington were on the post-treatment network. Mr Weeks advised that those parishes with grit bins were given a free allocation of one tonne of salt. **It was agreed that the PC should re-consider the purchase of grit bins at the next PC meeting.**

Clerk

d) Standing Orders. Mr Handley reported that there had been no further amendments proposed to the provisional SOs. Somerset Association of Local Councils (SALC) had advised that there would be changes following the implementation of the Localism Act, but they would mainly affect The Code of Conduct. **Mr Newth proposed that the PC approve the draft SOs (as amended) with the proviso that they would be revisited upon receipt of SALCs recommendations in 2012. Mr Glass seconded the proposal and it was agreed unanimously.**

8. **Dog Fouling, Sandbrook Lane, North Cadbury:** A request had been received by a resident for the installation of a dog bin along Sandbrook Lane as dogs continued to foul the verges and owners were not picking it up. **After a brief discussion it was agreed that no further bins were required. The Clerk agreed to report this issue in the Excalibur insert and ask dog owners to pick up after their dogs at all times.**

Clerk

9. **Request for new street name plates, High St, North Cadbury:** A request had been received by a resident for the installation of new street name plates in the High Street, North Cadbury. After a brief discussion it was agreed that the street name plates were already in position, however, they were in need of cleaning and restoration. This work would have to be done on a volunteer self help basis. It was also reported that street name plates had been approved for installation (probably in Feb 2012) in Woolston, where there were none previously. The broken finger signpost at the top of Parish Hill had previously been reported to SSDC and would be replaced in the next financial year.

10. **Planning:**

a) Received: The PC had received via email from the Applicant's Agent amended plans for 32 Cary Road, North Cadbury. **It was agreed that the PC would await the formal receipt of the plans from SSDC at which point they would be considered at the next planning meeting, currently scheduled for 10th January 2012.**

Clerk

<b>PA No.</b>	<b>Details of application</b>	<b>P.C. Comments</b>
11/02392/FUL	Land @ Woolston Manor Farm, Woolston Rd, NC – Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling	Recommend Approval
11/04156/FUL	32 Cary Road, NC – construction of a new access	Recommend Refusal
11/04263/FUL (Holton Parish)	Erection of 2 50kW wind turbines (36.4m to hub, 46m to tip), access track and associated ancillary development on land at High Winds Farm, Higher Holton, Wincanton	Recommend Refusal
11/04477/LBC	The Grange, Cary Rd, NC – Replacement of a 3-light window with an oak fully glazed door and 2 sidelights and provision of flat roofed canopy above door at head level	Recommend Approval
11/04500/FUL	Applecroft, March Lane, Galhampton – Erection of a timber clad livestock shelter and feed store	Recommend Approval
11/04508/COL	Unit 3, Tor View Farm, Galhampton – Certificate of lawfulness of the existing use of unit for the parking, repair, maintenance & testing of road vehicles	Recommend Approval

## a) Decisions

<b>P.A. No.</b>	<b>Details of application</b>	<b>Area East decision</b>
11/01855/FUL	Land adjoining Gateways, March Lane, Galhampton Erection of detached dwelling	Refused
11/02341/FUL	Little Orchard, Cary Rd, North Cadbury – Erection of a dwellinghouse	Granted
11/03593/FUL	North Leaze Farm, North Leaze Lane, NC – COU of redundant adjoining office/storage bldg to use as a holiday let	Granted
11/04221/FUL	Rumah Kitah, Long St, Galhampton – demolition of single garage and erection of a double garage	Granted

c) Planning Meeting Arrangements: **It was agreed that with immediate effect planning meetings would be held once a month on a day to suit the majority. Mrs Legg would be the lead member with Mr Glass as the deputy lead member. The new arrangements would be trialled for a six month period and remain flexible. It was agreed that the quorum for planning meetings would be four members by a majority vote as set out in the revised SOs.**

**11. Future Meetings:**

a) Area East Community Safety Action panel – 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012, 10.00am, Churchfield, Wincanton. **Mr Handley agreed to attend.**

DH

**12. Finance and Accounts:**

a) The Transaction Report and Budget Statement for the period 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2011 to 15<sup>th</sup> December 2011 were received.

b) Approval of items of expenditure not previously authorised was given unanimously.

c) Payments Approved:

Clerk's Allowances and Expenses November 11	£40.00
Youth Worker Grant	£200.00
North Cadbury Reading Room Hire	£14.00

**13. Correspondence:**

- a) SCC Consultation on Somerset’s Draft Countywide Parking Strategy – **It was agreed that the Vice Chairman would draft a response for approval by all members, to meet the deadline for comments by of 20<sup>th</sup> January 2012.**
- b) SCC Replacement of defective paving with tarmacadam – **The Clerk agreed to respond to SCC’s proposal that the PC would contribute towards the cost of replacing like for like on a case for case basis only if it was necessary.**
- c) SCC update on Somerset Electoral Review - details of the submission can be viewed online at [www.somerset.gov.uk/electoralreview](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/electoralreview).

DH

Clerk

**14. Items of Report and Future Business:** Mrs Wood asked if the advertising signs at properties on Cox’s Close and the corner of Brookhampton Lane were within advertising protocol. **The Clerk agreed to report the matter to the Enforcement Officer.**

Clerk

Mr Glass asked if Tincknells could be approached to ask when the building work would start on the Harvester Works plot as it was considered an eyesore. **The Clerk agreed to ask SSDC planning department to ascertain the anticipated start date from the owner.**

Clerk

The Date for the next PC meeting would be Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2012 in The Reading Room, North Cadbury Village Hall, commencing at 7pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

SIGNED..... DATED.....

