MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15th MARCH 2021

HELD VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM AT 6.30pm

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Public Forum

- A) No members of the public were in attendance at the meeting.
- **B)** Cllr Linda Vijeh was in attendance at the meeting. Please see the attached report (**Appendix 1**) written by Cllr Linda Vijeh for SCC/SSDC Councillor Monthly Report. Cllr Vijeh informed the Council of the following:
 - The 'One Somerset' public consultation is currently live. There has been recent cause for concerns regarding a scam email stating some public consultation meeting dates had been cancelled. The Police were informed and are investigating.
 - The Police and Crime Commissioner Elections are taking place in May 2021. It is anticipated that it will be a low turnout of electors so it is important to encourage local people to vote.
 - Proposed changes to education in Ilminster and Crewkerne.
 - Aware of speeding issues in local villages and is in constant communication with SCC Highways highlighting the issue.
 - No further progress/update available regarding the currently phosphates/nitrates issues. The general view on large residential developments should include attenuation ponds BM Shave Lane development has stated they are phosphate neutral.
- **3234 PRESENT** Cllrs Ann Winter Chair, Ray Buckler Vice-Chair, Barry Mosley, Jon Tipping, Ann Richards, David Johnson, Julie Layzell and Richard Clifford.
- **3235 APOLOGIES** Cllrs Philippa Woodman.
- 3236 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.
- **3237 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** Minutes of the meeting held in January having previously been circulated were approved as a true record and correct record of the meeting, subject to the amendment to the typo in the attendance and apologies section. Cllrs approved, seconded, and unanimously agreed.

Action: Clerk to amend minutes to include rays update

3238 PLAYING FIELD UPDATE

BI-MONTHLY UPDATE -

- Playing field Equipment some pieces of equipment need to be repainted however, these items are to be replaced with new equipment therefore, repainting will not be required.
- Skate park Currently an issue with one of the panels due to recent poor weather. Cracks are also appearing.
- Grass cut another cut is required. The perimeter landscaping is fine and no additional works are required at this time.
- Bin Very few littering incidents. Bin now contains a black bin bag.
- COVID-19 Signage Cllr Buckler has re-laminated existing signs as a temporary measure to more permanent signs which are to be ordered shortly.
- Swing one swing still in place still with the second swing to be reinstalled shortly.
- New playing field It has been confirmed by SSDC the awarded grant is paid once proof of purchases has been received by SSDC. Once the contractor agreed, details will be sent to SSDC. It was unanimously agreed that ClIr Buckler will sign official grant paperwork on behalf of the Council.

Action – Cllr Buckler to obtain a quote to repair the skate ramp. Clerk to contact grass cutting contractor to request a further grass cut. RB to review signs in April/May.

3239 SPEEDING ISSUES AROUND VILLAGE – UPDATE Cllr Buckler is trying to get hold of Avon & Somerset Police to arrange a meeting to discuss the proposed location for SID.

Action – Clerk to add the item to next agenda.

3240 SUGGS LANE FLOODING/SEWAGE ISSUES – UPDATE Cllr Winter has spoken with the Chairman of Broadway Parish Council. Wessex Water has been working in the village recently and there is a planned road closure shortly for further works to be carried out however, it is unknown what the exact works are for. Cllr Vijeh in frequent communication with Wessex Water however, no updates have been received recently.

Action: No further action at this time.

3241 A358 TAUNTON TO SOUTHFIELDS DUALLING SCHEME – PROJECT UPDATE Clerk informed the Council that there is a community forum briefing event on Thursday 25 March 2021 at 7:00pm which will provide an update on recent progress and outline the next steps for the A358 planned upgrade. Cllr Layzell has agreed to attend the meeting on the Council's behalf.

Action – Cllr Layzell to report back to the Council in the next Parish Council meeting. Clerk to add the item to next agenda.

3242 LANG'S CORNER FORD – RAILINGS Metal railings have been installed by a member of the public and concerns have been raised with the Parish Council and Somerset County Council. Cllr Winter has been in contact with SCC who informed her that the works carried out are illegal and consequently, the railings are to be removed by SCC shortly. Cllr Winter also raised concerns about a blockage under the bridge and confirmed that SCC is to look into this within the next month.

Action: No further action at this time.

3243 ENVIRONMENT CHAMPION Environmental Champion Volunteers are being sought by SSDC and are vital to the success of the District and County strategies when talking about engaging communities and creating resilient ecosystems and will act as the 'eyes and ears' in their local area as well as acting as a conduit for materials and initiatives. Questions were raised over the role and what is expected of the volunteers. Cllr Vijeh is to provide more information to the Cllrs for their consideration.

Action – Clerk to add the item to next agenda.

- **3244 RETURN OF FACE TO FACE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS** The clerk has been notified by SALC and NALC that it is anticipated that legislation allowing virtual meetings to take place will not be extended which means the return of face-to-face meeting from the 7th May 2021 onwards. Discussions were held and it was agreed that both church halls are not suitable to hold future parish council meetings when following Government advice on social distancing. Cllr Winter to enquiry if meetings can be held in Horton Village Hall in the meantime. Clerk to obtain hand sanitiser, face masks and antibacterial wipes for next bi-monthly face-to-face meeting on the 17th May 2021.
- **3245 WEBSITE- UPDATE** Nothing major to report at the time of the meeting. Cllr Buckler looking into setting up website moderators to approve website content. It has now been confirmed that the website is GDPR compliant.

Action – Clerk to add the item to next agenda.

3230 FINANCE

- A) To Approve Financial Statement Approved.
- B) Cheques issued under delegated powers to be noted for audit purposes -
 - 1. Ian Dunfrord Fee associated gifts and blue plaque for the Post Office Cheque No. 000773 £94.00
 - 2. G B Sport & Leisure Play Equipment Cheque No. 000766 £87.84
- C) Proposal To approve payment of the following cheques:
 - 1. C Duff Wages and expenses Cheque No. 000777 £518.78 Unanimously Approved.
 - 2. M F Salaman Playing Field Cheque No. 000778 £275.00 Unanimously Approved.

3231 CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE The clerk advised the Council of several emails received:

- A formal notification from SSDC of Planning Application Ref. 20/03277/FUL Land North of Broadway Hill, Broadway Hill, Horton - Clerk to arranging an extraordinary meeting for April 2021 to formally discuss and provide subsequent comments to SSDC. Clerk to invite applicant/agent to the meeting. Clerk to agree an extension of time with SSDC.
- 2. A formal notification from SSDC of Planning Application Ref. 21/00599/HOU 2 Broadoak, Horton - Clerk to arranging an extraordinary meeting for April 2021 to formally discuss and provide subsequent comments to SSDC. Clerk to agree an extension of time with SSDC.
- 3. Puddlebridge An email was received from a resident of Puddlebridge informing the Council of another traffic accident that occurred on 22/01/2021. Police attended the accident.
- 4. Insurance Renewal to be noted. Clerk to check with RB regarding cover for playing field.
- 5. Fly the Flag for Somerset Day. Clerk to forward the email to all and add to next bi-monthly agenda.
- 6. One Somerset Formal notification of public consultation has been received. The consultation period will run for 8 weeks until Monday 19 April.
- 7. Update from Avon & Somerset Police:

'Just a quick update for you all, we have had a significant rise in rural crime over the last few weeks, we have had one success with recovering a stolen mini digger and trailer, unfortunately the rest of the farm equipment has not been recovered, Please could you pass out a message to your local residents to be extra vigilant and report any suspicious activity, We have noticed that a significant amount of people do not call us if the see something suspicious because they feel they will be wasting our time, We have a dedicated number for non-emergency calls which is 101, We did have one occasion where somebody has witnessed someone trying to hide a tele handler in a field but rang us 5 hours after as they did not think we would come out at 3am in the morning, This was a stolen bit of machinery and has since not been found, On a positive note we had a call from a member of the public to say a trailer and digger seemed to be hidden in a field, we checked this and it turned out to be a stolen digger and trailer, We will happily take any information anyone has on rural crime and if any of your local farming community would like to join Farm Watch which is completely free please pass on my details and I will sign them up,'

8. Broadway Road Closure:

'Urgent Road Closure: ttro439477SS - Broadway Road, Broadway

Please be aware that we have received notification of an urgent road closure at Broadway Road, Broadway, which will commence on 24th March 2021 and is expected to last until 28th March 2021 (the closure is between the hours of 00:00 - 23:59).

These works are for Wessex Water to repair a leak, their works reference is 038922703001.

For any further information about this closure please contact Wessex Water on 0345 600 4600, quoting reference: ttro439477SS - Broadway Road, Broadway.'

9. Travel links to Taunton - Clerk to forward the email to all. To be noted.

- 10. Somerset Waste Partnership -Expanded recycling services Cllr Johnson to attend 1 of 3 meetings being held of meetings:
 - Wednesday 14th April (6.30-7.30pm)
 - Thursday 15th April (6.30-7.30pm)
 - Monday 19th April (6.30-7.30pm)
- 11. Local public rights of way network Email forwarded to Cllr Winter prior to the meeting who has agreed to look into. The enquiry relates to all public footpaths and reviewing the existing public right of way network in the parish and identify opportunities to improve access ensuring paths are kept clear clearing and enabling access for people less able. Cllr WEinter has identified a couple of issues and will highlight these on the requested mapping system. Clerk to add to May agenda to discuss issues identified.

3232 ANY OTHER MATTERS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

- Cllr Layzell has spoken with the Ding Gardening Club following the last parish council meeting and confirmed they are available to help plant the free trees awarded to the parish council.
- Cllr Clifford raised concerns regarding the traffic island between the Five Dials and Village Hall as the light is not working and is difficult to see in the dark and in bad weather. Clerk to contact SCC.
- Discussions were held regarding the Council notifying more residents of the proposed planning application on land at Broadway Hill. It was agreed to carry out another leaflet drop and post on social media.

3233 DATE OF NEXT BI-MONTHLY MEETING: Monday 19th April 2021 at 6.30 pm

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APPENDIX 1 - ILMINSTER DIVISION COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT – FEBRUARY 2021

There has been a lot going on this month across the county but, as usual, for the sake of brevity I have included only those items relevant to the division. Apologies for such a lengthy report, and also for any omissions, and the usual typos.

COVID PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

Anyone with any concerns can contact the Covid helpline at - 0300 790 6275 - 8am - 6pm.

The key message remains the same – Hands - Face – Space

It is still vitally important for people to stay at home during lockdown and adhere to the restrictions on meeting with others, even if you have received your vaccinations

COVID ENGAGEMENT BOARD

At this month's meeting of the board, it was reported that figures of those contracting Covid-19 are declining, as are the number of deaths.

Last week the PM announced his 'road map' for coming out of lockdown, and confirmation that children will be returning to school from 8th March.

A number of new variants of the virus have developed, which are more infectious. Surge testing is being carried out in the SW to investigate the variants. The professional view is that in the long term this is a virus we will have to live with e.g. like 'flu.

The infection rates in Somerset are coming down, but not as quickly as they did during the first wave. They remain below the SW infection rate, and well below the national rate.

Cases stand at 80 per 100,000 at present in Somerset, and halving every two weeks.

A lag in the data relating to vaccinations, and number of deaths, is due to late registrations.

Concern has been raised that as Somerset is a tourist destination that once lockdown eases up there will be a surge in visitors, and along with it, a risk to local residents.

The situation with churches remains that they may open under certain circumstances, but at present most are choosing to remain closed.

A number of dedicated vaccination sites have now been set up by Primary Care Networks. There is a good flow of delivery in Somerset (£1m+ doses delivered), but at times vaccine supplies have been limited.

Mass centres have been set up at the Bath & West Showground, in Yeovil and also at Taunton racecourse. It is not known at present how long these centres will need to be in operation for. Vaccination bookings are now being taken up until April/May and centres will remain open until 12 weeks after that. The second doses of vaccine, beginning in mid-March, will be given be given at the place where people received their first dose.

The four first cohorts have now all been vaccinated, with a renewed focus on cohorts 5&6.

On vaccination, an advisory leaflet should be given outlining restrictions and precautions.

The majority of care home residents have now been vaccinated, and all funeral directors.

TOURISM BUSINESS SUPPORT

SCC is working in partnership with local tourist organisations to provide free business support. The Visitor Economy Support Programme (VESP), funded by £500k from the Somerset Business Rates Retention Pilot programme (BRRP), is intended to deliver economic growth and prosperity. The scheme will fund free support services to visitor businesses (up to 249 employees), focusing on the impact of Covid, business resilience and growth. Support includes marketing communications and digital advice, as well as compiling sector specific research to assist with forward planning and growth.

Accommodation, retail, high street, food & drink, creative industries, heritage, visitor attractions, activity providers and outside visitor spaces can apply to receive support.

To register go to : - www.visit-exmoor.co.uk/trade/vesp-somerset-business-support

SOMERSET COUNTY COUNCIL

At this month's full council meeting a grant of up to £400k, funded from Covid funding, was awarded to Somerset Citizens Advice Bureau to support the additional work they have been carrying out.

Consideration is being to producing a 'Somerset Medal' in recognition of those who have gone the extra mile during the pandemic.

£100k+ has been used to supplement free school meals, which will continue during Easter and the summer holidays.

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This year's budget has focused heavily on adults and children's services and family support, where it is acknowledged that in recent years funding levels have fallen short, having an impact on services. To fund the additional resources required an additional 3% was precepted, which will be ring-fenced.

A council tax increase of 1.99% was also improved, broadly in line with increases of the majority of other authorities. £130m. has been allocated for new project schemes, including £6m. for climate change.

SCC's financial position, despite continuing to repay loans inherited by the current administration, is in a healthy state, with £90m. in reserves.

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Investment in Property - OPIUM Taunton	130		-
Investment in Property - Fareham Energy Res Ltd Loan	1,320		-
Investment in Property - OPIUM Fareham	9,253		
Investment in Property - Costa Coffee	20	680	
Investment in Property - Trafalgar House, Taunton	23		- SSD
Investment in Property - 27-29 Sherwood Road, Bromsgrove	218		- C
Investment in Property - King William House	1		BU
Yeovil Innovation Centre - 1st Floor Fit-Out	21		DG
Yeovil Innovation Centre - Car Park Extension	94		ET
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Car Park Improvement Works	0	310	- PRE
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At this month's full council meeting a tax increase of 2.91% was agreed, increasing the annual Band D rate by £5 to £177.11, which includes £1.85 of behalf of the Somerset Rivers Authority.

SSDC ENVIRONMENT STRATEGY

Where do we want to be?

SSDC Environment Strategy states as priority outcome

By 2030 we commit to achieving a significant reduction, in the order of 80%, in our carbon emissions. Our ambition is to be carbon neutral across our own operations and land holdings by 2030 at the latest, and ideally by 2023, so any residual carbon emissions will need to be offset.



 investigating in additional green energy investments

ENERGY

SSDC PROCUREMENT

A Facilities Management specialist is being to recruited, to start in July. There is acknowledgement that there are cost implications for Green Energy and at present the position is unclear. SSDC has been awarded a de-carbonisation grant.

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Government support, totalling £50m. is to be provided for small businesses, landlords and leaseholders. <u>Support for small businesses, landlords and leaseholders: government charges up the electric vehicle revolution with</u> <u>£50 million boost - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

SSDC INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Several local residents have shown an interest in SSDC's commercial investment strategy. The table below shows key items. The sums given are in multiples of £1k.

SSDC PLANNING

At this month's District Exec., the item relating to the current situation with regard to the impact of Phosphates was deferred as further work was required, with the result that

planning decisions will be delayed for a matter of months rather than weeks.

At Full Council the adoption of the Phosphate Load Calculator was agreed to assist developers by raising awareness of measures that need to be taken.

Although enforcement issues remain of concern to several communities, the number of outstanding cases has been reduced.

During January 2021 there were 47 reports of suspected planning breaches and over 50 visits have been carried out to address reports of caravans without planning permission. Extra support is being provided for the enforcement team and Planning Contravention notices are being issued.

Wessex Water gave officers a presentation about the EnTrade credit system last month, which seeks to put in place a system of environmental credit for developers to access as offsite mitigation/offsetting for the impacts of development. It is expected that Natural England will introduce a formal accreditation scheme. At this month's meeting a decision weas taken to put pressure on Wessex Water to be more accountable.

The ecologist post has now been filled, subject to starting date. The successful candidate has experience of working with local water companies, local authorities and developers.

FUTURE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN SOMERSET

Earlier this month the Local Government Secretary announced the start of a consultation to decide our future. All residents and businesses are strongly urged to participate.

Two bids have been submitted as follows:

Stronger Somerset, a joint bid for two unitary authorities, with an East/West, split submitted by the four districts <u>www.strongersomerset.co.uk</u>.

One Somerset bid for a single authority submitted by SCC <u>www.onesomerset.org.uk</u>

To respond to the Government's consultation, go to <u>https://consult.communities.gov.uk/governance-reform-and-democracy/somerset/</u>.

You can also respond by email or post.

Anyone requiring additional information about either bid please feel free to contact me.

This month elected members received a briefing from SSDC on the proposals for partnership working and collaboration in relation to Adult's & Children's services and localities. It is accepted that there will be increasing demand for adult services.

SSDC SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM RE-STRUCTURE.

To support the development of a shared approach to economic and community recovery and sharing resources with other Somerset authorities it has been proposed to consider sharing the Director of Place & Recovery role with another authority, and delegate the details of such arrangements, to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader and the Portfolio Holders for **Economy and Community** Health & Wellbeing.



POLICE

Avon and Somerset Police have launched a new Crime Prevention Through Sport fund.

This aims to support projects that use sport and physical activity to reduce violence, crime and anti-social behaviour. It is for projects that focus on using activity as a tool to engage and support young people up to the age of 25. Applications that use sport in its widest sense including traditional, informal sports and activities are encouraged to apply.

For more info. and to download an application pack visit the following link:

SASP covering projects in Mendip, Sedgemoor, South Somerset and Somerset West & Taunton

HIGHWAYS - A303

This month the application for the A303 Sparkford to Ilchester Dualling was been given development consent by the Secretary of State for Transport. This grants development consent for a continuous dual carriageway on the A303, running from the Podimore Roundabout and the Sparkford Bypass.

DEVON & SOMERSET FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY

At this month's meeting the budget for 2021/22 was agreed.



Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority (Budget) Meeting 19 February 2021

Agenda item 10a - 2021-22 Revenue Budget and Council Tax Levels

RECOMMENDATION

That, as recommended by the Resources Committee at its budget meeting held on 10 February 2021 (Minute RC/38 refers), the Authority approves:

- a. that the level of council tax in 2021-22 for a Band D property be set at £90.00, as outlined in Option B in this report, representing a 1.99% increase over 2020-21, and that accordingly a Net Revenue Budget Requirement for 2021-22 of £74,222,400 be approved; and
- b. that, as a consequence of the decisions at (a) above:
 - the tax base for payment purposes and the precept required from each billing authority for payment of total precept £54,849,642 (Option B), as detailed on Page 2 of the respective budget booklet;
 - ii. the council tax for each property bands A to H associated with the total precept as detailed in the respective budget booklet;
- c. that £0.415m of funding is made available to fund an additional 12 development firefighter posts;
- d. that the Treasurer's 'Statement of the Robustness of the Budget Estimates and the Adequacy of the Authority Reserve Balances', as set out at Appendix B to the report, be endorsed.

BROADBAND UPDATE

SSDC are due to hold a Portfolio Holder briefing in March to provide an update on recent developments and initiatives in Superfast Broadband for South Somerset.

The briefing will include:

Wessex Internet and Konnect will make presentations and answer questions

Wessex Internet has the new contract from Connecting Devon and Somerset for increasing coverage in the majority of South Somerset, using government subsidy for areas that are not commercially attractive

Konnect is a new commercial satellite service for remote residents and businesses that can provide good broadband speeds to all addresses. SSDC is negotiating a discount on set-up fees for South Somerset clients. Other commercial suppliers are rolling out networks in South Somerset, where the need is greatest, supported by SSDC.

SSDC is preparing a directory to inform residents and businesses about the available schemes, and how to apply for them.

DOG FOULING

I have received a number of reports relating to dog fouling, which have been reported to SSDC. Dog owners are warned that 'A person in charge of a dog, whether they are the owner or not, must clean up after their dog has fouled in a public place. Failure to do so may lead to a fine or prosecution in court. We will investigate areas where repeated dog fouling is an issue or where a known individual is allowing their dog to foul in a public area.' https://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/services/environmental-health/dog-related-issues/dog-fouling/

NEROCHE SCHOOL

The school, now part of the Uffculme Academy Trust, have reported that their Eco Council have continued to work hard during Covid on recycling initiatives and continue to work towards Green Flag status, receiving notification this month that they have awarded Bronze Eco School status.

ILMINSTER EDUCATION FOUNDATION

I continue to be the elected representative for the foundation.

The IEF was set up after the closure of Ilminster Grammar School and the funds are used to support local children. Normally IEF supports children from Ilminster area schools to participate in school trips and the individual purchase of educational equipment and university book costs. Applications have been reduced this year, and this month Neroche School received a donation of £1927 from IEF and are expected to receive a similar amount shortly. This double allocation is the result of an underspend due to COVID.

IEF have also received a request from Ilminster Town Council to negotiate a new lease on land owned by IEF, including that sub-leased to Ilminster Cricket Club.

CREWKERNE/ILMINSTER SCHOOLS

There has been considerable interest shown in the proposals being put forward by SCC, which has generated press interest and a petition. I have responded to all of those who have been in direct contact with me and continue to meet on a regular basis with officers and other elected members. In response to issues raised, I have received the following:

- There is local opposition, but consultation activity over many years has shown that there is no one way forward that secures widespread support.
- The debate has been ongoing for ten years and during this time many attempts were made to find a way forward, including funding schools to develop a model supported by the majority. All of these attempts failed to secure a model that the community as a whole could agree on, and during this time the financial situation in the area's schools has worsened.
- Performance is <u>not</u> equally high in all the schools locally. While Wadham upper school has gone from strength to strength and was the highest performing in the area in the last round of Key Stage 4 national exams (higher than Stanchester, Beaminster or Holyrood, and the only school locally with a positive score), Key Stage 2 results in one middle school have been below average for many years.
- As part of the last consultation, members of the public put forward alternative approaches, which were all were considered in full and none of them were considered to be either feasible or likely to provide better educational outcomes.
- If this proposal goes forward other public concerns that have been raised would be addressed, specifically more investment locally in school buildings which are in disrepair, and a second bus for Ilminster pupils so that they can access after school activities at Wadham.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT – 22nd Feb. – 7th Mar.

Fairtrade fortnight is well under way this year with the plea that we all do as much as we can to support this, including submitting any Fairtrade recipes, including videos. https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/buying-fairtrade/

ACTIVITIES/MEETINGS

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1/2	Isle Valley prayers
1/2	Fiveways School staffing committee
1/2	SSDC Phosphates update
2/2	School Evidence for Learning training
2/2	SSDC Scrutiny
2/2	Broadway PC
3/2	Isle Valley Northumbrian prayers
3/2	Chard Museum Trustee meeting
3/2	Horton quiz
3/2	Winsham PC
4/2	SSDC District Exec.
4/2	Fairtrade meeting
5/2	DSFRA member forum
6/2	Samaritans recruitment interview
7/2	Isle Valley communion service
7/2	Isle Valley service
8/2	LGA Covi-19 response for Licensing premises
8/2	SSDC Licensing sub-committee
8/2	Neroche School governors meeting
8/2	Isle Valley compline service
9/2	LGA taxi licensing update
9/2	Samaritans recruitment interview
9/2	Horton quiz
10/2	SCC Ilminster/Crewkerne Schools meeting
10/2	Winsham PC planning meeting
11/2	School Governor complaints training
14/2	Isle Valley service
15/2	Isle Valley prayer meeting
15/2	Chaffcombe PC
16/2	SSDC Scrutiny Energy Procurement T&F meeting
16/2	Ilminster Lit. Fest. meeting
17/2	SCC full council
17/2	Horton quiz
18/2	Covid Engagement Board
18/2	SSDC Group Leaders meeting
18/2	SSDC Stronger Somerset Adult's & Children's services briefing
18/2	Samaritans recruitment team meeting
19/2	DSFRA
21/2	Isle Valley Communion
21/2	Isle Valley service
22/2	Museums SW spring meeting
22/2	SEND governor training
23/2	School Governors Careers Forum
23/2	Ilminster TC
23/2	SSDC CEO meeting
24/2	BHMC
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	Horton quiz Portable Appliance Testing (PAT) training
24/2	Portable Appliance Testing (PAT) training
25/2	SSDC FC
28/2	Isle Valley Communion
28/2	Isle Valley service

Since lockdown, I have completed the Training, Assessment, and Quality Assurance (TAQA) qualification which now enables me to professionally assess those working in local government, with a focus on Modern Apprentices.

I am also now certified as a 'Competent Person' to carry out Portable Appliance Testing (PAT) for Class 1 appliances for 'low risk' premises such as offices, village halls and churches etc., and am willing to offer my services free of charge within the Division.