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	Date	Cat.	Type	In/ Out	From/To	Detail	
Items in RED require decision / action. Other items may also require decision / action.							
AGENDA ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES.							
AGENDA ITEM 5 - COUNTY COUNCILLOR AND POLICE REPORTS							
AGENDA ITEM 7 - REPORTS							
	11/11/20	BLAP Parish Liaison Meeting	Info	In	BLAP	Notes from meeting held on 20 September 2020 and Agenda for meeting to be held on 18 November	Sent to all
	01/12/20	As above	Info	In	BLAP	Notes from meeting held on 28 November.	Sent to all
		DAPTC AGM	Motions			All motions from Parish / Town Councils were passed.	
	20/11/20	Dorset Council Asset Review	Info	In	Dorset Council	Extract - "We would like to work with you, as local councils, to develop a policy to define what sort of assets Dorset Council would or would not transfer and the sorts of financial arrangements that would surround these assets." In Chideock's case this refers to the public toilets at Seatown.	Sent to all
	20/11/20	Dorset Council Asset Review	Req'st	Out	Dorset Council	"Please will you circulate the link to the MHCLG consultation, which I have never heard of, and Dorset Council's response to the consultation."	Chased 8/12
	12/11/20	Seatown Toilets	Resp	In	Dorset Council	"On the day that you reported this the customer service agent phoned this through to us at the depot and we sent an operative to clean the toilets as soon as possible that day. We clean the public toilets daily, but occasionally the toilets are misused by the public and we always try to resolve any incidents as quickly as we can. We are very sorry that on this occasion the toilets were not in a presentable manner. Please accept our sincere apologies for this, we did return to clean the conveniences as soon as possible after the report."	Sent to all and forwarded to originally complainant
	13/11/20	Seatown Toilets	Resp	In	Original complainant	"Thanks for returning a response much appreciated. I have to say I don't believe for second that them toilets are cleaned daily. I've been back several times now at different times of the day and I can safely say there has been no change with regards "	
	13/11/20	Questions to Dorset Councillor	Req'st	Out	Cllr Christopher	"Firstly, thank you for the e-mailed update. At the meeting it was agreed to ask you the following questions: - 1. When you anticipate you will be able to attend a Parish Council meeting in person? 2. What progress have you made re a visit to Chideock by Chris Loder MP and Dorset Council Leader Cllr Flowers for them to see the A35 and its issues to the village? 3. Please send regular updates regarding the setting of the Dorset Council budget for 2021 – 2022 and beyond."	
	13/11/20	Questions to Dorset Councillor	Resp	In	Cllr Christopher	"Always pleased to attend a physical parish council meeting, whether inside or outside. Do you have any plans to push the November meeting back to after the current lockdown ends on 2nd December i.e. to early December or to have a first virtual meeting? I have invited to our MP and the Council leader to meet with us in Chideock and have extended this invitation to the chief executive Mr. Prosser. I confirm I will update you regarding the setting of the Dorset Council budget for 2021-2022"	Sent to all
AGENDA ITEM 8 - A35 matters.							
	18/11/20	A35 Issues	Resp	In	Department for Transport	Response to CPC's letter of 22 October 2020	Sent to all

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	11/12/20	A35 Issues	Resp	Out	DfT, cc Chris Loder, Cllr Christopher	Agreed response to DfT letter dated 18/11/2020.	
	19/11/20	Air Quality data	Info	In	Dorset Council	Air Quality monitoring data to September 2020	Sent to all
		Air Quality - Stage 1 complaint to Dorset Council	Complaint	Out	Dorset Council	Agreed letter of complaint regarding Dorset Council's lack of action	
	16/11/20	Air Quality - Stage 1 complaint to Dorset Council	Complaint	In	Dorset Council	"Please find attached a reply to the recent Parish Council complaint. I will copy the response to Chris Loder MP, the named Councillors and Chief Executive"	Sent to all
	30/11/20	Air Quality - Stage 2 complaint to Dorset Council	Complaint	Out	Dorset C	Agreed Stage 2 letter of complaint regarding Dorset Council's lack of action.	
	01/11/20	Air Quality - University Study	Resp	In	Bristol University	"I am a co-leader of the Atmospheric Chemistry Research Group in the School of Chemistry at the University of Bristol. Through the University networks I have been sent your letter. I hope that you will have a positive response from my colleagues in other institutes in the U.K.. However, the ACRG are uniquely placed to undertake some research to determine the fraction of pollution from vehicles that arrives at Chideock and through a generous donation from the University itself we will be able to carry out these experiments. Clearly there are several issues, the most recent lockdown instructions from the Government and the time of year to undertake these experiments. In any case, I suggest that Dr. James Matthews, who leads this research, arranges a time to visit and carry out a scoping exercise to plan experiments. Ultimately, these experiments will require samplers to be deployed in the village and its environs. Having visited, James can then devise experiments and liaise with your office in terms of planning. Do you have any meteorological data available? i.e. is any data being collected on wind speed and wind direction at Chideock or nearby? I am most sorry to read about your situation and hope that our research will not only help to identify the key issues (I know that we already have a very good idea) but also propose some solutions."	Sent to all

09/11/20	Air Quality - University Study	Resp	Out	Bristol University	<p>"Thank you for your most welcome e-mail dated 1 November 2020. I apologise for the delay in responding – it is necessary for a majority of councillors (in Chideock’s case 4) to agree letters of importance.</p> <p>The Parish Council will be pleased to meet Doctor Mathews at any time when lockdown is not a problem and suggest that early in January 2021 would be ideal, when traffic is at its lowest. I attach a copy of the only pollution data available for 2019. This has not yet been validated by Defra nor been adjusted for bias. The data is hand typed by Dorset Council Environment Health Department – at present they are unable to load anything onto the Dorset Council website. The data shows a fairly typical year where the traffic generated Nitrogen Dioxide is higher at weekends, Bank Holidays and between May and September.</p> <p>The coldest months of December, January and February, without holiday traffic, show readings which are probably mainly background pollution from wood / coal fires and agriculture.</p> <p>There is a major difference with evidence so far in that the south side of the hill to the west (Chideock Hill ,where nearly all the diffusion tubes are located) has the highest Nitrogen Dioxide readings. Whereas downhill eastbound on Chideock Hill towards Chideock bridge is where it is believed most PM2.5 will occur, due to vehicles braking downhill for nearly a mile. Doctor. Ben Barratt took his reading towards the eastern end of this section (just past Chideock House). This reading is the only PM2.5 data available for Chideock, as far as is known.</p> <p>The A35 runs East to West and the prevailing wind is South West, West Southwest.</p> <p>In respect of Meteorology data we have in the past relied upon “Worldweatheronline” who have all the data you may require. I am unable to attach an example of this website. It includes all the usual features for the whole of 2020 together with the same features in graphic form for years 2009 to 2020. The website address is worldweatheronline.com/Chideock-weather-history/Dorset/gb.aspx</p> <p>Is there a “funding window” for research as obviously that could affect timings?</p> <p>If there is anything more you require please do not hesitate to contact me."</p>	Sent to all
17/11/20	Air Quality - University Study	Resp	In	Bristol University	<p>"Thank you for your letter on behalf of the Chideock Parish Council dated November 9th, 2020. We were very happy to read that you would like to meet with us, and I hope that we are able to provide some measurements that will be of use to you, as well as to us. In the next few weeks I will look over the data you have sent and put together a plan of what I believe we could measure in your village.</p> <p>I would be very happy to come to visit the site in January 2021 to discuss these plans with any interested stakeholders and I will be back in contact once lockdown is over and we are in a better position to tentatively put some dates forward. It would be helpful for me to try to identify some locations we could use for equipment that could be left for a few days to take samples, and I will provide a list of possible equipment before I visit. Thank you for pointing us to the weather site, we may want to supplement this with some weather equipment of our own (local measurements of wind speed from one or more locations could be instructive) but we can discuss this if I am able to visit next year. I will check with my colleagues before I visit in January whether there are any funding windows that we have to work within."</p>	Sent to all
20/11/20	Air Quality - University Study	Resp	Out	Bristol University	<p>"Thank you for your reply dated 17 November, The Parish Council looks forward to hearing from you in the New Year to arrange a date for your visit, COVID-19 regulations permitted.</p> <p>In the meantime, I attach the NO2 readings for 2020 to September."</p>	

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11/11/20	Chideock Bridge Safety Inspections	Req'st	Out	Connect	"In 2016 you sent me information about inspections of Chideock Bridge. I have recently been asked whether Chideock Bridge is regularly checked so please will you send me the latest reports •Principal Inspection Report for Chideock Road (/A35//121.30//) •General Inspection Report for Chideock Road (/A35//121.30//)."	
11/11/20	Chideock Bridge Safety Inspections	Resp	In	Connect	"We do not hold these records ourselves but they are held by Highways England. I have a meeting later this week to discuss structures so will ask if we are permitted to send a copy of the reports. If they give consent I will send them to you next week."	
03/12/20	Chideock Bridge Safety Inspections	Resp	In	Connect	"Reports as requested sorry for the delay."	Sent to all
03/12/20	Chideock Bridge Safety Inspections	Resp	Out	Connect	"I see that an inspection was due this November. Was it done and when will the report be available??"	
04/12/20	Chideock Bridge Safety Inspections	Resp	In	Connect	"It was done as far as I am aware it will take a few months to be ratified."	
03/11/20	HE Stage 3 Complaint	Complaint	Out	HE, cc Chris Loder MP, Cllr Christopher	Agreed Stage 3 Complaint sent.	Sent to all
24/11/20	HE Stage 3 Complaint	Complaint	In	DfT Independent Complaints Assessor	Acknowledgement of receipt of the Stage 3 HE complaint.	Sent to all
13/11/20	Monitoring devices	Questions	Out	Dorset Council & Highways England	Agreed letter sent	
23/11/20	Monitoring devices	Answers	In	Dorset Council	"Thank you for your email of the 13th November 2020 on behalf of Chideock Parish Council, also sent to Andrew Roberts, Highways England. Miss McGown and Mr Roberts have discussed the email, and it was considered appropriate that rather than one response, be sent to the parish Council, separate, but co-ordinated responses would be sent form Dorset Council and Highways England, concentrating on their relevant points....."	Sent to all
23/11/20	Monitoring devices	Answers	In	Highways England	"Thank you for your email of 13 November 2020 about sensors on the A35 through Chideock. These are traffic speed sensors and don't measure air pollution. We requested additional speed data of west bound traffic to be collected at these three locations to complement the air quality trial data. We also intend to gather additional speed data after the removal of the traffic management and after the end of the second lockdown, although we are not certain at this time when that might be. We hope this helps with your enquiry. We have liaised with Dorset Council and they will be replying about the other issues you have raised. If you have any further queries, please contact our Customer Contact Centre on 0300 123 5000 or info@highwaysengland.co.uk"	
11/11/20	Quarr Cross Pedestrian warning sign	Req'st	Out	Connect	"A resident has asked if a sign warning of pedestrians crossing the A35 can be erected in both directs at Quarr Cross, given that walkers cross from Eype Lane to Quarr Road and vice versa."	
11/11/20	As above	Resp	In	Connect	"This is a development which needs to go through Highway England. I will forward to Andrew Roberts for his attention."	

17/11/20	As above	Resp	In	Highways England	<p>"Thank you for your email of 11 November 2020 about the erection of a sign warning of pedestrians on the A35 at Quarr Cross. We appreciate you bringing your parishioners enquiry to our attention. We undertook a safety improvement in this section of the A35 by introducing a speed limit reduction from the National Speed Limit to 40mph in 2016.</p> <p>Existing signage, which includes - cross road warning signs, red count down markers on the road and 'slow' on the road, is keeping drivers well informed about the need to approach the junction with caution. Additional signage would only add sign clutter. As there have been no collisions at this junction we'd be unable to prioritise funding for a problem there's no evidence for.</p> <p>Our preferred approach to improve safety on the A35 is to progress the Charmouth roundabout to Yellowham Hill route safety feasibility study."</p>	
01/12/20	As above	Req'st	Out	Highways England	<p>"Thank you for your prompt response (17 November 2020) to Chideock Parish Council's concerns about pedestrian road safety of the A35 at Quarr Cross and the request for additional warning signage.</p> <p>The Parish Council understands your reliance upon accident statistics and your wariness of "cluttering" existing signage but are disappointed that you dismiss these concerns so lightly - indeed partly on a funding basis for something which would surely cost very little but could save so much. Whilst the Parish Council accepts that the road junction is identified from both directions (although the westbound signage is, once again, badly obscured by vegetation, and the "SLOW" on the road is fading - see attached photo) there is no signage specifically warning motorists that many pedestrians cross the A35 at this blind-spot.</p> <p>The Parish Council emphasises to you that this junction is much used by ramblers and cyclists who sadly have to take their "lives into their own hands" when attempting this crossing. Indeed one villager has advised me that the best way to cross here is to wait for a quieter period then listen carefully for westbound vehicles (since one is blind to traffic coming up the hill from Bridport) whilst watching carefully for eastbound traffic. Only when you can neither see nor hear any traffic should you attempt to get across. The Parish Council hopes you agree that this is hardly "Highway Code" advice for crossing a road.</p> <p>Whilst the Parish Council eagerly awaits the publication of the Charmouth to Yellowham Hill Review, it sincerely asks you to reconsider your refusal for additional safety signage."</p>	
11/11/20	Speed Cameras	Req'st	Out	Dorset RoadSafe	"I keep being asked if there is a camera in the eastbound casing - people say it looks empty?"	
11/11/20	Speed Cameras	Resp	In	Dorset RoadSafe	"We do move cameras around for various reasons. There is a "front" that can go in when the camera isn't there which it appears they haven't put in. However the camera is on its way back so will be looking normal soon."	Sent to all

	17/11/20	Speed Cameras	Resp	Out	Dorset RoadSafe	"Thank you for your reply. The cameras were installed in 1999 as a result of community concerns. Which is why they were excluded from the Dorset wide "cull" of speed cameras a few years ago. The previous GATSO devices were, as far as I know, permanently in place and functional, unless of course there was a fault or they ran out of film (or were set on fire!). The Parish Council is very concerned that the cameras are now being shared with other locations and requests that, as a site of community concern, this decision is reversed. Chideock Parish Council continues to lobby Highways England for the installation of Average Speed Cameras, as was recommended in the HE commissioned WSP Safety and Severance Study (published January 2019). "	
	17/11/20	Speed Cameras	Resp	In	Dorset RoadSafe	"In reality all of our cameras are based on collision and community concern as is all our mobile camera van and "no excuse" deployments. When we discuss fixed cameras we do always refer to Chideock as a separate entity rather than within the total number of sites and do our best to keep your cameras on line. We currently have 30 fixed camera sites plus 2 at Chideock with 20 cameras to rotate through those sites. The East Bound camera was removed from Chideock as it was prone to catch reflected image offences i.e. it was bouncing off more than one vehicle and producing erroneous speeds - hence we removed it to check it. It was repaired and returned. In general I will endeavour to keep the 2 cameras at Chideock. As you are aware I am working with HE on the A35 Average Speed Cameras. Hope that answers your questions. "	Sent to all
	06/11/20	Water on road outside Rose Cottage	Req'st	Out	Balfour Beatty	"There appears to be some sort of water leakage onto the westbound carriageway outside Rose Cottage. It has been there for several days and there are concerns that it will freeze and cause an accident. Can you follow this up please."	
AGENDA ITEM 10 - PLANNING MATTERS - Planning Applications.							
AGENDA ITEM 10 - PLANNING MATTERS - Planning Other							
	27/10/20	All-Weather All-Purpose Path	Info	In	Mr Maskell	"Have at last got details of land ownership. Have written letters to Mr. & Mrs. Marsh of Higher Pymore Farm and J C Palmer outlining project and willing to meet if required."	Sent to all
	04/11/20	All-Weather All-Purpose Path	Info	In	Mr Maskell	"Re. The two fields adjacent to the A35, between Quarr Lane and the London Inn. 1. The western field is owned by Mr. & Mrs. Marsh of Higher Pymore Farm. I have written to them, and telephoned. So far, no response, but will keep trying. 2. The eastern field is owned by J & C Palmers. Have written to them. Received a quick reply stating the field is leased and it would be difficult to support etc. but, here is an anomaly. The letter from Palmers stated that (what I have always thought was just a thick hedge between the A35 and the field) was, he thought in the ownership of Symondsburry PC. Local enquiries then suggested it was owned by Eype Church. It seems that this was once a small orchard. A further 2 x checks with Land Registry is showing this particular piece of land belonging to Palmers! I contacted Palmers again and he was surprised at this revelation and is looking into it. So, that is the situation at the present. Until I have anything more positive to report I do not think it is worth me attending either of the next meetings of the respective PCs in whatever form they are due to take place."	Sent to all
	06/11/20	As above	Resp	Out	Mr Maskell	"Thank you for the update and for all the work you have done on this. Lets hope Palmers are willing to play ball and that you get a positive response from Higher Pymore Farm."	

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	07/11/20	As above	Info	In	Mr Maskell	"Re. The thin wooded area adjacent to the A35 starting by the old telephone box in the London Inn car park. 2 x searches with Land Registry showed it in the ownership if J & C Palmer, however this is not the case. Mr. J Palmer has copied to me a plan from the title deeds showing the area outside of their boundary. Even though, in doing the search, I used the smallest diameter circle and on the widest part of the wood the result came back as Palmers. I have heard that the land could belong to the Church at Eype or - even Symondsbury PC. Would it be possible for Symondsbury PC/Steve, to look into this anomaly?"	Sent to all
AGENDA ITEM 11 - FINANCES							
	18/11/20	River Bank - Foss Orchard Car Park	Req'st	Out	Mr Barnes	Request for quotation for river bank work, removal of fallen trees and repair to broken gully in car park	
	11/12/20	Precept	Info	In	Dorset Council	The Council Tax band D taxbase for Chideock has gone up slightly. It has been applied to the draft CPC budget for 2021 - 2022.	
AGENDA ITEM 12 - CLAPPS MEAD PLAYING FIELD							
AGENDA ITEM 13 - DCC HIGHWAYS AND FLOOD MANAGEMENT							
	28/10/20	Hell Lane	Info	In	PCSO Bishop	"I spoke with a young lad re the below information. He told me that he has a field they own where he and a friend ride an off road bike. He said they don't go onto the road and know not to. I have given them some advice which they were happy with and understood. I have previously spoken to a resident who I believe spoke to me about the same young lad. The resident had not seen them riding on the road, but wasn't happy with the use of the bike in the field. I advised him that if it is their field or they have permission to ride in the field, they can do. Also I have spoken with a resident that lives on Shutes Lane, Symondsbury (other end of Hell Lane) I have advised them to contact us with any relating evidence, should they see people driving along the lane."	Sent to all
	11/11/20	Hell Lane	Req'st	Out	Dorset Highways	"Chideock Parish Council has received notification of a TTRO for Hell Lane and Shutes Lane which will be in force for 18 months. The Parish Council asks for details of the works to be undertaken and requests assurance that these will take place, given that the 3 TTROs made last year saw no work on either of these lanes."	
	12/11/20	Hell Lane	Resp	In	Dorset Highways	"At present I do not have any details of work in this area, unfortunately due to the pandemic we have not had resources to do any works in this area, hence a further road closure. I will keep you updated once a meeting is arranged and perhaps one of the parish council would like to come on the walk through and discuss on site ?"	Sent to all

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16/11/20	Hell Lane	Req'st	Out	Dorset Highways	<p>"Last Friday a lady from Symondsbury walked down Hell Lane towards North Chideock. She fell 3 times and was very apprehensive about returning but there is no viable alternative route. She met one of my councillors which is how I know about it.</p> <p>All my councillors are very concerned about the state pf Hell Lane and also about the impossibility of walking to Symondsbury / Bridport safely. A local resident has revived the idea of an all-purpose all weather path from Chideock to the London Inn, on the north side of the A35 and both Symondsbury and Chideock Parish Council's support this in principle. However, at the moment it is only a "concept" with many hurdles to jump!</p> <p>This is why I keep nagging you about that is going to be done to improve Hell and Shutes Lanes. Some councillors feel that it should be paved so that it is safe for non-vehicular traffic and that vehicular traffic (except for farm purposes) should be banned and the lanes be gated. I suspect that this is impossible – your input as to why would be appreciated."</p>	
16/11/20	Hell Lane	Resp	In	Dorset Highways	<p>"You are not nagging you want to know what is going on.</p> <p>At present the lanes are closed as you are aware, I am awaiting for my upper manager to become free along with some other members of staff to go out and walk the route so we can see what is required.</p> <p>Due to Covid we are not allowed to meet till after the 3rd December and once I have arranged a suitable time and date, I will make contact to see if one of the parish councillors would like to join us"</p>	Sent to all
08/12/20	Hell Lane	Req'st	Out	Dorset Highways	Request for update.	
09/12/20	Hell Lane	Resp	In	Dorset Highways	No further update I will be arranging a walk in the new year to look at the amount of work that is required at these locations, does one of the Cllr want to come? And if so what is available late January?	Sent to all
11/12/20	Hell Lane	Resp	Out	Dorset Highways	Request for time and date for a meeting.	
16/11/20	Hell Lane	Req'st	Out	Dorset Highways, cc Cllr Christopher,	<p>"Chideock Parish Council notes the 18 month Temporary Traffic Regulation Order for closure of Hell Lane North Chideock and Shutes Lane Symondsbury.</p> <p>You may be aware of a renewed initiative from Chideock resident Mr Maskell to create a dedicated footpath / cycleway adjacent to the A35 from Chideock to the London Inn (just east of Chideock on the A35). Naturally Chideock and Symondsbury Parish Councils are fully supportive of this much need facility.</p> <p>However Mr Maskell has also proposed an interim measure whereby, with some improvements, Hell Lane and Shutes Lane could be upgraded to make them properly usable as a safe bicycle / walking / equestrian route.</p> <p>Chideock Parish Council is aware that the existing lanes may need some minor changes and improvements to the road surface (especially for use by disabled person's scooters) and have no intention of it becoming an "alternative route" for motor vehicles. However this proposal would support Dorset Council's "green strategy" and would provide a much needed safe route for walkers; cyclists and horse-riders between Chideock and Bridport other than the potential "death trap" of the A35 up Furches Hill.</p> <p>The Parish Council therefore asks you to please convene a meeting between the Council and the appropriate Dorset Council representatives so that this project can be fully understood and hopefully moved forward.</p> <p>I look forward to hearing from you in due course."</p>	

	16/11/20	Hell Lane	Resp	In	Cllr Christopher to Cllr Bryan, cc CPC	"Further to our discussions on Saturday Please find e mail from Chideock Parish Council This will not be the first time you have heard about these lanes from myself and indeed the police because of the actions of 4 x 4 drivers as off-roaders Not withstanding this Una and I are well acquainted with the desire of many people that there should be quiet enjoyment of the Lanes. I myself am a keen cyclist. I support Chideock Parish Councils comments and look forward to receiving your comments on what can be done Incidentally , West Dorset does not have the equivalent of the Sturminster Newton Blandford Spetisbury i.e. North Dorset Trail Way I recognise that considerable work has been done to improve cycling between Bradpole , Bridport and West Bay but help for the people of Chideock is imperative Please let me know when circumstances allow for a West Dorset visit."	Sent to all
AGENDA ITEM 14 - CONSULTATIONS							
	29/10/20	MHCLG Planning for the Future Consultation	Consultation Response	Out		Submitted by due date	