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<b>Items in RED require decision / action. Other items may also require decision / action.</b>							
<b>AGENDA ITEM 1 - APOLOGIES.</b>							
1						Cllr McAra sends her apologies.	
<b>AGENDA ITEM 5 - DORSET COUNCILLOR AND POLICE REPORTS</b>							
<b>AGENDA ITEM 7 - REPORTS / UPDATES BY THE CLERK AND COUNCILLORS.</b>							
2	20/03/23	BLAP Parish Liaison Meeting	Information	In	BLAP	"After lengthy negotiations with Chris Loder MP's office, we concluded it would be simpler (given his busy diary) to meet him later in the year. The provisional date for this meeting is Friday 15th September 2023. We can confirm that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th April at 4pm at Mountfield and via Zoom. Our guest speaker will be Ian Rees Dorset AONB Countryside Officer, who will give us an update on the quality of local rivers and the role that parishes and/or their communities can play to improve them. "	Sent to all. Cllr G Dunn cannot attend. The Clerk will attend.
2A	27/03/23	Christmas Decorations	Questions	In	Chideock Resident	"I am confused why the Chideock Parish Council deemed it necessary to put a small article in the April Chideock News saying "Should Chideock have Christmas decorations on Main Street", especially as the next sentence states "They would have to be in front gardens or on houses. It has always been traditional that people put up Christmas decorations in their own home or garden so long as they are not offensive or intrusive to other people. So is the CPC inferring that a) we need to ask permission from the CPC to have Christmas decorations displayed on their property b) have a general discussion regarding Christmas decorations in Chideock on Main Street houses. c) has some non Christian organisation made a complaint about Christmas decorations in Main Street d) the CPC has got a hidden agenda about this subject"	Sent to all
<b>AGENDA ITEM 8 - A35 matters.</b>							
3	13/03/23	A35	Request	Out	Ben Hampson, National Highways	"Chideock Parish Council requests answers to the following questions. 1. What is the current position re the Charmouth to Yellowham Hill Route Study? 2. What is happening re the 30mph Order for Chideock Hill and when is it anticipated that Average Speed Cameras will be installed? 3. When will remedial works on the northern side of Chideock Hill be resumed?"	

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4	13/03/23	A35	Response	In	Ben Hampson, National Highways	<p>"The Charmouth to Yellowham safety study and average speed cameras are part of the same piece of works. The study looks at the feasibility of the average speed cameras amongst other measures along the route and within the village sections.</p> <p>As previously set out the feasibility is scheduled to report next month, in line with our end of financial year target with detailed design over the next financial year as well as the phase 1 construction start.</p> <p>I have a meeting today with Dorset CC to discuss the 30mph section and make sure these agreements are prioritised for completion.</p> <p>With regard to the Chideock hill works I will need to refer this to the operator."</p>	
5	11/03/23	A35 Communities	Request	Out	Sent by Cllr George Dunn	<p>"Chideock PC held a monthly Parish Council Meeting this week and the Chideock PC A35 Action Group (Cllrs Vanessa McAra; Anna Dunn and myself) and Clerk Sal Robinson were tasked with following up our last email to you dated 9 February 2023.</p> <p>We strongly feel that NH are continuing with their usual ploy of appearing to do something whilst actually doing nothing and that Chris Loder's "A Roads Meeting" (of which we find it almost impossible to gain any information - no minutes etc) has become little more than a "talking shop". The Parishes Meeting that you organised last year really demonstrated the depth of feeling and exasperation amongst our Villages that something urgent must be done to improve the A35 situation for all of us. Also with the RIS3 Consultation approaching we really ought to be building on this foundation to become "stronger together" and formulate a strategy to really put some pressure on NH and the Government to finally address the A35 problems that we endure on a daily basis.</p> <p>We feel that the time is now overdue for another Meeting, and strongly suggest a smaller gathering of just the affected Parishes in order to formulate the best way forward. We repeat our earlier offer that we would be very happy to help you and Carol in any way we can to organise this follow-up meeting as soon as possible.</p> <p>We look forward to receiving your comments in due course."</p>	
6	07/03/23	A35 Resurfacing Works	Response	In	Connect Balfour Beatty	<p>"We can confirm that both Bilberry Close and the hydrant outside the Clock Inn have been reported as a Section 81 to the utility companies.</p> <p>The cover just prior to the village hall, a Technician went out yesterday and checked this and stated that the cover is not breaking out or moving, but we will continue to monitor this one going forward."</p>	Sent to all
7	10/03/23	A35 Resurfacing Works	Response	Out	Connect Balfour Beatty	<p>"Thank you for your swift response and apologies for my tardy reply.</p> <p>You have answered the third question and I have passed the information on.</p> <p>However, a response to questions 1 and 2 would be much appreciated.</p> <p>In relation to question 1, I understand that a letter drop took place on Tuesday as 2 councillors who live on the A35 have informed me of this. However, I have not heard from anyone who lives off the A35. I would remind you that on 1/11/2022 you said "We will make sure residents that live on the side roads will in the future get a letter with regards any overnight closures works we will be undertaken."."</p>	
8	10/03/23	A35 Resurfacing Works	Response	In	Connect Balfour Beatty	<p>"Could you please confirm what the side road names are in Chideock and we will make sure they get a letter.</p> <p>Also, we will drop another one off at the post office and ask them to display it in the glass case at the front of the shop."</p>	

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9	10/03/23	A35 Resurfacing Works	Response	Out	Connect Balfour Beatty	"South of the A35. Duck Street, Sea Hill Lane all the way down to and including Seatown (don't forget the Golden Cap Holiday Park and the Anchor Inn), Mill Lane, Ridwood, Pettycrate Lane. North of the A35. North Road, St Giles Close, Winniford Close, Hell Lane, Brighthay Lane, Butt Lane, Venn Lane. The following may have been covered when the main road was done. Ruins Lane, Fairfax, Apple Tree Lane, Foss Orchard, Ruins Lane, plus several unnamed "driveways" to the east of Ruins Lane, on the northern and southern sides of the A35."	
10	16/03/23	A35 Resurfacing Works	Response	In	Connect Balfour Beatty	"We apologise for the delay in responding to your email below. SWHBBjv, believe that we have sufficiently contacted the properties that need to be notified, but are happy to forward you a copy of the letter electronically for the Parish Council to distribute as required. An additional letter will be dropped into the Post Office for them to display at the front of the shop."	
10A	23/03/23	A35 Resurfacing Works	Information	In	BLAP	<i>copy of correspondence between Char Valley PC and National Highways re no access during the road closure and lack of information supplied to those affected.</i>	Sent to all
11	13/03/23	Bristol University	Update	In	Via Cllr Anna Dunn	"Good morning Anna and sorry for the slow response. We have the data and we have verified it and now have charts that we could share. I was hoping to present it in a full report, with context, methodologies, and recommendations which could be shared to the committee first and (if appropriate) to other stakeholders afterwards. This report, however, is taking longer to complete than I had hoped. I have a meeting later this week with Dudley to discuss some of the early charts, after this I would be happy to have an online meeting with you and a few of your council in the following week (starting 20th March) to discuss the data as it currently stands. I am currently overseas on a field trip so would not be able to visit in person until May. Please let me know if this is what you would like, and if so when you would be free to meet."	Sent to all
12	07/03/23	Chideock Bridge Inspections	Response	In	National Highways	"Thank you for your email of 13 February 2023 about Chideock Bridge on the A35 over the River Winniford. Attached are copies of the most recent principle and general inspections."	Sent to all
13	08/03/23	Morcombelake Safety and Severance Report	Information	Out	All Councillors	Copy of the Safety and Severance Report 2019	Sent to all
<b>AGENDA ITEM 9 - RIVER WINNIFORD AND WATER POLLUTION ISSUES.</b>							
	<b>Dorset Council Updates.</b>						
14	10/03/23	Seatown Lagoon Signage	Sign	In	Dorset Council	Finally, a copy of the sign! She thought it has been sent but it hadn't.	
15	13/03/23	Seatown Lagoon Signage	Information	In	Dorset Council	"Sign design attached. I will let you know when the permanent signage is due to be installed."	
16	13/03/23	Seatown Lagoon Signage	Request	Out	Dorset Council	"Is it possible to have "Please do not swim or paddle in the stream" amended to "Please do not swim or paddle in the stream and the lagoon". "	
17	16/03/23	Seatown Lagoon Signage	Response	In	Dorset Council	"I'll speak to our designer and see if we can add the extra wording."	
18	19/03/23	Seatown Lagoon Signage	Response	Out	Dorset Council	"Many people let their dogs go in the lagoon and river – the warning must reference dogs as well as children and adults."	

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		<b>Wessex Water Updates.</b>					
		<b>WRAG Updates.</b>					
19	12/03/23	Westcountry Rivers Trust	Information	Out	WRAG	Information about the Westcountry Rivers Trust	
20	12/03/23	Westcountry Rivers Trust	Response	In	WRAG	"Thanks and what a coincidence you should send this today.. We have been trying to get signed up to West Country Rivers CSI since December and today we conducted our first dry run survey at Seatown. This can be viewed on the CSI site under Surveys conducted. So far Linda and I have donated £30 to CSI to obtain our testing kit, so that from next month we will be doing actual water quality testing at Seatown. A great step forward. ! We will then conduct monthly tests, publicising our results to the Parish Council, and the wider Community. Basically CSI asks for individuals to join (rather than Groups but we are registered with them as a Group) and then they allocate a specific location for testing. We expect to achieve a further testing location in North Chideock and maybe a third in between the two. We see sharing our results as a priority and we will also be taking part in a separate sampling called Riverfly, looking at insect presence, etc. which requires about £120 a person for training, etc, conducted by Ian Rees of Dorset AONB. Any future funding would pay for this. We have our next meeting this Tuesday and will share any interesting outcome with you."	Sent to all
21	15/03/23	WRAG meeting of 14/3	Report	In	Cllr McAra		Sent to all
		<b>Other.</b>					
22	16/03/23	Clean Rivers of West Dorset (CROWD)	Information	In	Chris Loder via Cllr Anna Dunn	"Indeed that was the first meeting of the Clean Rivers of West Dorset (CROWD) group, a select taskforce with a representative from rivers across West Dorset. The February meeting really established the remit, aims and objectives of the group and the format with which meetings are to proceed. The next meeting will be attended by Wessex Water so please do not hesitate to let me know if there are any issues you may wish to raise."	Sent to all
<b>AGENDA ITEM 11 - PLANNING MATTERS - Determination</b>							
<b>AGENDA ITEM 11 - PLANNING MATTERS - Planning Other</b>							
23	17/03/23	Foundry Lea (Vearse Farm)	Information	In	Mr Maskell to Barratt Homes	Highlighting the needs of walkers, cyclists etc to safely travel from places such as Chideock, and highlighting the need for provision for these groups at the new roundabout at Miles Cross, construction of which is a planning condition for the Vearse Farm development.	Sent to all
<b>AGENDA ITEM 12 - FINANCES</b>							
24	15/03/23	Clerk Vacancy	Response	Out	Applicant	"My apologies for the delayed response. Further to your application, councillors feel it would be helpful if you would confirm your current understanding of the post before the Parish Council progresses it further. This is being raised because you appear to be in full time employment and this post would require you to occasionally be available during the day as well as allocating a number of hours per week to attend to Council business, including receiving e-mails / letters; drafting and sending e-mails / letters; preparing agendas and minutes of meetings; engaging in research and liaising with councillors and external bodies"	

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25	17/03/23	Clerk Vacancy	Response	In	Applicant	"Sorry for the delayed reply, I have just found this email in my spam folder! When I applied for the role I was fully aware of the responsibilities of a clerk and the monthly morning meetings you hold. I only work 3 days a week and was looking for a new challenge. I have since taken a clerking role with another Parish, I am enjoying the work so far & in time will look to Clerk for another Parish when I gain more experience. Good luck in finding your new Clerk. "	
26	23/03/23	Clerk Vacancy	Report		Clerk	Readvertised with closing date 28 April, interviews w/b 9 May.	
27	16/03/23	Foss Orchard Car Park	Report		Clerk	£467.05 taken from ticket machine and deposited in the TSB current account. Machine set for the start and end of BST.	
AGENDA ITEM 13 - CLAPPS MEAD PLAYING FIELD							
AGENDA ITEM 14 - DORSET RIGHTS OF WAY; DORSET HIGHWAYS; FLOOD MANAGEMENT							
RIGHTS OF WAY							
DORSET HIGHWAYS							
28	13/03/23	Duck Street and Carter's Lane	Request	Out	Dorset Highways	"I am having a review of outstanding items and so would appreciate an update on • The suggested "no footway" signs on Duck Street and upper Sea Hill Lane (actually the whole of Sea Hill Lane as there is no pavement along the entire length of the road) • Carter's Lane, which is a very important link to North Chideock as it is the only access to North Chideock when North Road is closed for works, which has happened several times in the past few years."	
29	13/03/23	Duck Street and Carter's Lane	Response	In	Dorset Highways	"To date I have not yet heard anything from Colin Moores about undertaking any further work to Carters Lane apart from the letter we both received on the 20 of October last year. Adam Marsh has proposed the location of No Footway signs sited at the above locations on the attachments provided. Please let me know your thoughts on the matter."	Sent to all
30	15/03/23	Dorset Council's 20mph Policy	Request	Out	Tony Burden, Dorset Council Road Safety Manager	"I attended the presentation on 7 February and forwarded the slides etc to Chideock councillors. Dorset Council appears to be insisting that a 12-month Community Speed Watch must be carried out prior to a Parish Council making a request for consideration of a 20mph limit in a village. However, Dorset Highways officer Joe Allen has previously informed Chideock Parish Council that: - "Data obtained by CSW is not usually considered to be acceptable as they only collect for short periods of time and are only collecting speeds of traffic exceeding the limit by over 10%+2mph." He also said that: - "The benefit on the traffic counter is it is in place for at least 1 full week, collecting data 24/7 of every single vehicle that passes." This advice contradicts the requirement for a 12-month CSW."	

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31	15/03/23	Dorset Council's 20mph Policy	Response	In	Tony Burden, Dorset Council Road Safety Manager	<p>"I understand that the wording within the policy could be a little confusing and potentially misleading and I have this as a likely amendment when the policy is reviewed.</p> <p>The timing of any application is within the hands of the Parish Council, and I wouldn't want you to delay this if you feel you have a good case. The key point around the need for a CSW is that any new 20mph has an enforcement strategy that will support the limited resources within Dorset Police and not related to gathering data to support an application. Within the policy it is recognised that it can sometimes be difficult to establish a local CSW and this can be taken into consideration as part of your evidence within the application. If Chideock needs support with establishing a CSW then details can be found here Community Speed Watch - Dorset Road Safe Partnership.</p> <p>My only other observation is whether Chideock PC are considering a 20mph for the A35 trunk road in which case any request would need to involve our National Highways colleagues. If the request is for roads other than the A35 you can apply using the online form and I will then work with you to see if it is achievable. "</p>	
	<b>FLOODING</b>						
<b>AGENDA ITEM 15 - CONSULTATIONS</b>							