

	<p>complaining, especially regarding the rubbish left laying around, although it was thought that it was youths from outside the parish that caused the trouble. A request has been received for a shelter to be erected away from any houses and Jeremy would look into this request if youths first tidied up the rubbish. PCSO Nicky stated that she would patrol this area when able.</p> <p>5.3 The Clerk reported that an e-mail had been sent to PCSO Shelley after the last meeting, regarding the parking problem in Abbey Road, asking her to look at the problem and advise, but no reply had been received. After being updated on the problem PCSO Nicky stated that she would visit the site during school drop-off times and report back on her observations.</p> <p>5.4 The Clerk had also e-mailed regarding the Police Surgery that was planned to take place at the Village Hall and if there was a time-table. PCSO Nicky would report back.</p> <p>5.5 Cllr Quinn asked about the Steering Group which is now under Wells as he used to attend and found it very informative. PCSO Nicky would endeavour to find information on this.</p>	PCSO
6	<p>PLANNING MATTERS: There were none.</p>	
7	<p>FINANCIAL MATTERS: 7.1 The Clerk's Salary for the period Jan-March 2008 amounting to £470.76 was agreed by all to be paid. Cheque no.000716 7.2 The Clerk presented Councillors with the new salary scale. A back-pay rise for the preceding year (April 07 – March 08) plus back-pay for moving up the scale from 15 to 17 (YrEnd 2007 and YrEnd 2008). This amounted to £230.88 Cheque no.000717</p>	
8	<p>HIGHWAY MATTERS: 8.1 The Clerk had checked with Frank Lake regarding the on-going reported highway problems. He stated that they were all on the list to be dealt with and asked her to phone back after the meeting if they were still outstanding – when he would look into them. The Clerk was advised by Councillors that all matters were still outstanding. 8.2 Cllr Gittings stated that the flooding at the triangle at Edford Wood had been reported by herself to SCC. Workmen had dug a ditch, but it was on the opposite side to the flood and therefore would not help the situation unless the job was incomplete and workmen were returning. The Clerk was given reference no. DEF 30419 and would also chase this up with Frank Lake.</p>	Clerk Clerk
9	<p>FOOTPATHS: In relation to the proposed footpath diversion (S 19/40 and SM 19/41), the Clerk reported that Clare Haskins of MDC was very keen to move this forward and wondered if Councillors had the wrong idea of the proposed line of the diversion. The Clerk had been asked to arrange a meeting between herself and nominated Councillors. The Chairman read out an e-mail received from Clare stating the test for moving a footpath. After discussion it was decided to meet with Mendip on site to discuss the issue and the Clerk would give Clare Haskins contact details of Richard Jones and Linda Gittings with a view to arranging a mutual time.</p>	MDC Cllr Jones Gittings
10	<p>STREET CLEANING: Neither the Clerk nor Cllr Jones had heard any more on the Lenthsmen Scheme. The Clerk had still not sent a cheque as the Coleford Clerk had not been in touch as yet.</p>	

11	CREATE HOUSE: The Clerk reported that nothing new had been heard from Mendip, although a message had been left on Mr Max Gridley answer phone asking for an update.	Clerk
12	CORRESPONDENCE: The correspondence was read and dealt with accordingly. 1. A brochure with details of ways to celebrate St George's Day was taken by Richard Jones. 2. A report of new procedures to collect plastic and cardboard in pilot districts.	
13	MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING. 13.1 With regard to advertising the forthcoming Annual Parish Meeting, Cllr Gittings suggested posting flyers to every household within the Village and Cllr Jones stated that he would help. 13.2 After some discussion on who to invite to speak at the APM with several suggestions it was decided that Cllr Jones would make enquiries and inform the Clerk of the outcome. 13.3 Cllr Davies suggested that date was given for an RSVP on the invites. 13.4 Cllr Jones reported that a grant was not available from Somerset County Council for the purchase of bus shelters. Therefore the Parish Council would have to fund the purchase itself. It was proposed that before the next meeting the Cllr Quinn and Cllr Jones would decide on the siting. 13.5 It was reported that when contractors had cleared the trees on the south side of the village near Green Lane heaps of wood had been left. The Clerk to ask for this to be cleaned up. It was thought that the contractors were the electricity board, Western Power – High Line. 13.6 It was decided that the proposed Annual Spring-clean of the village was delayed and reviewed when more information was available regarding the Lengthsmen scheme. It was felt that this was the type of work that could be performed by a lengthsmen. Although Watery Lane was a problem regarding rubbish at the moment and the lay-by. Cllr Jones stated that he would deal with the lay-by and Cllr Quinn would email around for volunteers for a Sunday. 13.7 Cllr Norris produced a Welcome to Village guide which was handed to Cllr Jones to add to the Village News Letter.	Cllr Jones Gittings Cllr Jones Clerk Cllr Quinn Jones Clerk Cllr Jones Quinn Cllr Jones
14	DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 14.1 The date of the next meeting will be on April 2008 at 7.30 p.m 14.2 There being no other business the meeting finished at 9.15 p.m.	

CHAIRMAN _____ **DATE** _____