Draft Minutes of the Meeting Goathurst Parish Council Meeting
Held on Monday 14 November 2016 7.30 pm, Goathurst Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Jo McDonagh (Chairman), Richard Kilbey, Isabel Shute; Ann Manders (Clerk); one member of the public.

1. Apologies: Cllrs John Capell and Terry Howard; District Cllr Julie Pay.

2. Declarations of interest on agenda items: none.


4. Approval of the Minutes of the meetings of 12 September 2016 and 24 October 2016: these had been previously circulated, were approved by the Meeting as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters Arising: the Clerk reported that John Capell had distributed gifts to the volunteer grass cutters, total cost £36.98. The Clerk was reminded to let Isabel Shute have a copy of the definitive map of local rights of way. **ACTION CLERK.** Jo McDonagh reported that she had not yet written a report regarding speed control for the parish magazine and may get in touch with Mr Newby at Highways before doing so. The Clerk reported that she had not heard back from Planning Enforcement at SDC regarding the breach at Sherwood. The Clerk will chase this. **ACTION CLERK.** Richard Kilbey volunteered to take on the role of Planning Officer, all agreed.

6. Finance:
   a. Half year report; this had been previously circulated, copy attached.
   b. Precept requirement 2017/18, after some discussion it was agreed to increase the precept to £3126.00, a 10% increase and £3.22 per average band D household on the previous year in order to maintain a reasonable reserve.
   c. The Clerk had received a membership renewal for CPRE, £36.00 per year, Jo McDonagh and Richard Kilbey voted to approve this payment, Isabel Shute abstained.

7. Footpaths: nothing to report.


9. Correspondence: nothing to report.

10. Any other business: Jo McDonagh reported that following intense lobbying by the parishes and District Councillors, the Quantock Cluster Group will now most probably stay as it is.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.20 pm

Dates of next year’s meetings Monday 7.30 pm, Goathurst Village Hall:

9 January
13 March
8 May
22 May (Annual Parish Meeting)
10 July
11 September
13 November