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FW: Kilve Parish Council Meeting to be held at Holford Parish Hall on Monday 3rd October 2022.

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Dear Karen,

I also have Williton P.C. tomorrow therefore will not be able to stay to end of your meeting.

Would you please telephone me to confirm you have receive my report

As my County laptop is playing-up.

Please receive my County report.

1; Our new CEO Duncan Sharkey will be joining us today the 3rd October 2022.

In his current role as CEO of the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead.

He has been directing national arrangements for local government following the death of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 11.

2; Update on LGR Programme from Alyn Jones LGR Programme Director.

The LGR programme is currently rated at Amber. This means we remain on track overall.

There are issues that we need to address to keep it that way.

The key issue remains resourcing. Our teams are creating the new council, maintaining services and now contending with the significant challenges very carefully and remain alert to the pressures on all our teams.

We are working very well together as five councils and while there are often difficulties when dealing with a complex programme like this, the large part of our work is progressing remarkably well.

South Somerset D.C. will move onto a shared IT platform, the actual 'cutover' will be 6th October.

Over the district will change over in the coming months, we will all be working from same system

On 1st April 2023.

3; Somerset's Public Health Nursing Team celebrate GOOD inspection from Care Quality Commission.

The report recognised the efforts of the workforce to maintain high quality care and safeguarding, commenting on their ability to understand how to protect children and young people from abuse.

Further welcome news,

4; Ofsted Inspection Result – Children's Social Care Services.

From a rating of INADEQUATE in 2017 to GOOD 2022, a splendid improvement, this was due to the commitment of our Children services and partners lead by Julian Wooster, director of Children's Services.

After learning this good news we received a personal message from Julian Wooster that he has decided After 7 years with SCC that is time to retire, leaving end of October 2022.

He said "although I am retiring from the role of Director Children's Services, I will stay involved with supporting colleagues in other places to help them on a similar journey to what we have achieved together". Plans are well progressed to appoint Claire Winter as Interim Director of Children's Services.

5; Dillington House in Ilminster.

SCC Executive has confirmed that the Council will seek to end its activities at Dillington House On the 30th September 2023.

Operations in the building currently run at a substantial loss this decision will enable to be focused On its statutory duties.

The deficit has accumulated over the past 11 years of more than £1.8 million and in the current financial year a further deficit is predicted of approximately £500.000, reflecting increased energy and other costs.

The current lease has a break clause in March 2023 and the council is seeking to adjust the terms of the lease to enable it to continue activities until the end of September 2023 allowing it to deliver weddings already booked and to minimise disruption to academic courses and other events.

6; Bridgwater Tidal Barrier Project.

There are online briefing session, Tuesday 18th October 2p.m. – 4p.m.

Join by entering a meeting ID, Meeting ID 366 822 941 v119 Passco

Or Thursday 10th November 5p.m—7p.m. Meeting ID 374 512 461 75 Passcode 25mrrX

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7; Innovation Zone proposal could put "SOMERSET" at the heart of the GREEN ENERGY REVOLUTION
says Cllr Bill Revans, Leader of Somerset County Council.

The Chancellors announcement that the GRAVITY SITE just north of Bridgwater could be part of the
Government's new Investment Zones.

End of my report

Hugh