

BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL MEDIA POLICY Reviewed 1.6.16

1. Burtle Parish Council will only accept enquiries from the media (press, television or radio) in a written format.
2. All such enquiries must be made through the clerk or the Chairman.
3. All responses or statements will be made in writing via the clerk or Chairman.
4. The Chairman or in his absence the vice chairman will be consulted to formulate the response or statement in conjunction with at least one other Councillor.
5. Burtle Parish Council can accept no responsibility for any statements or responses that individual Councillors may make to the media without proper consultation as outlined in sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 above. Any such statements or responses will be deemed to be their own personal opinion and this must be made quite clear at the time that the statement or response is made.
6. Parish Councillors will not discuss issues in any format as a representative of the Parish Council unless they have been specifically authorised to do so by a meeting of the Parish Council.