

BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 5th July 2017 at 7.30pm in Burtle Village Hall.

35 PRESENT

Councillor R Dallimore (chairman)
Councillor A Duval (vice chairman)
Councillor J Porter
District Councillor Stuart Kingham

36 APOLOGIES

Councillor S Bull
County Councillor David Huxtable

37 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr J Porter declared an interest in planning application at the Burtle Inn as he owns properties opposite the pub.

District Cllr S Kingham declared an interest in planning application at the Burtle Inn and took no part in the discussions as he is a Member of Sedgemoor Planning Committee.

38 DISPENSATIONS

None were sought

39 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th June 2017 were agreed and signed as correct.

40 MATTERS ARISING

Highways – Annual cutting of verges has now been carried out but Councillors are grateful to Mr A Lee for cutting the visibility splays at the junction of Robins Lane with Burtle Road at Red Gate before the official cut was made in the interests of road safety. Deep potholes at the side of the road in Westhay Road have been marked for repair, promised patching near to the Peatworks has been completed. Dip in Edington Road by the West Heath Farm appears to be getting worse – clerk to inform Highways.

Drainage – nothing to report

Speed watch – more people have expressed an interest in reforming the group, one of whom is interested in acting as coordinator.

Catcott Broad Drove – nothing to report

Bus Shelter – resurfacing the area in front of shelter - ongoing.

Laptop for Clerk – ongoing

Polden Cluster Meeting – Chairman and vice chairman to attend on 27.6.17

Defibrillator – Clerk has written to SALC as suggested by Councillor D Huxtable .

41 PLANNING

Applications –

55/17/00002 Change of use of Public House to form two dwellings at Burtle Inn, Catcott Broad Drove, Burtle **Revised plans**

Application at Burtle Inn has now been changed to: Change of use and extension of Public House to form two dwellings at Burtle Inn, Catcott Broad Drove, Burtle. Several sets of plans have been submitted and despite correspondence with the Planning Officer, Councillors still do not have

accurate information about the revised plans. The agent was present at the meeting and offered to send a copy of a new materials schedule and the latest plans. He confirmed that the intention now was for two dwellings to be similar to the existing building. Councillors agreed to hold a meeting to finalise their response to the revised plans on Monday 10th July.

Decisions – 55/17/00003 Erection of a two storey extension to SE elevation, on site of existing (to be demolished) and erection of a first floor extension to connect both parts of house at 1 The Cross, Catcott Broad Drove, Burtle **GRANTED**

Cllrs note that the planning officer appeared to have taken no notice of their recommendations

42 FINANCE

Audit of 2016/7 Accounts -These have been submitted to the External Auditor
Period for Public Inspection of accounts is 3.7.17 - 11.8.17.

Invoice has been received and the following cheque was agreed:

S Hodge Grass cutting at sandpit £240.00

Proposed Cllr A Duval

seconded Cllr J Porter

43 CASUAL VACANCY

No applications have been received to fill the casual Vacancy for a Councillor. Clerk has had confirmation that Council can continue with four members until a candidate for cooption comes forward.

44 TREES WESTHAY BROAD DROVE

Matter is still being dealt with by insurance company.

45 NOISE AND INCREASE IN HGV TRAFFIC FROM PEAT WORKS

Planning application regarding the chipping processing on the site has still not been received by Mendip DC despite it being promised by 19th May. Landscape Officer has visited the site and although he could see that some of the mature trees had died he felt unable to enter the site for a closer inspection at that time.

46 RLT2 MONEY

Interest has been shown in Burtle RLT2 money from Ashcott, Catcott, Chilton Polden, Cossington and Wedmore. Councillors unanimously agreed that it be shared as equally as possible between Catcott Playing Field and Chilton Polden Playing Field as they share a boundary with Burtle and are traditionally used by families from the village. Clerk to advise groups and liaise with Sedgemoor to transfer the money.

47 SIGN ON SANDPIT AND FINGER POST

Working party to be set up to repair Sandpit sign. Cllr A Duval and Mr Robin Howell have volunteered to attend the training course on finger posts on 27th July.

48 CORRESPONDENCE

Letter has been received from Mr Colin Pople to say that he will not be able to offer the service this winter. He advised that the equipment that he purchased to carry out the service is available for sale if there is anyone who would like to take on the contracts. Cllrs were very sorry to lose this service that is so beneficial to the community and asked the clerk to write to thank Mr Pople for providing it for the last six years.

49 ITEMS OF INTEREST

Fly tipping – dumping of grass cuttings and garden waste on the verges and in ditches is fly tipping. Cllrs are concerned that as well as being unsightly this can block the ditches that are essential to maintain good drainage in the parish.

50 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

A special meeting to discuss the planning application at the Burtle Inn will be held on Monday 10th July 2017 at 8pm

Next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday 2nd August 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm

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