

BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 4th April 2018 at 7.00pm in Burtle Village Hall.

165 PRESENT

Councillor R Dallimore (chairman)
Councillor A Duval (vice chairman)
Councillor Nathan Ponsillo
Councillor J Porter
District Councillor S Kingham
County Councillor D Huxtable

166 APOLOGIES

Councillor S Bull

167 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr R Dallimore declared an interest in the drainage issues in Robins Lane
District Councillor S Kingham declared an interest in the planning application 55/18/00001 and took no part in the discussion.

168 DISPENSATIONS

None were sought

169 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th March 2018 were agreed and signed as correct.

170 MATTERS ARISING

Highways – Vote of thanks to Cllr J Porter who has cleared the drainage grips in Edington Road/ Station Road from the Nydon to the church. The barbed wire at the Godwin's site has not yet been removed, clerk to remind.

Drainage – work carried out from Mark Road to the pond is proving effective in the current wet weather but there are now problems by the pond in Robins Lane being caused by blocked ditches in that area. Matthew Wall from drainage Board who has been coordinating the process has reviewed the area and is contacting the landowners. He has advised that the water running over the road by the pond is a Highways issue. Clerk has contacted Highways.

Catcott Broad Drove – nothing to report

Bus Shelter – resurfacing of the area in front of the shelter is ongoing. Cllr A Duval has inspected the problem of the damaged cladding on the bus shelter and will make the necessary repairs in the next few days.

Sign on Sandpit and Finger Posts – New signs for Sandpit being researched. Finger posts to be painted when weather improves.

Road signs – SLOW signs have been requested for Redgate. 30mph roundel repeater sign by Poplar Farm appears to have faded Clerk to notify Traffic Department.

Defibrillator – SWAST have given notice that warranty will expire on current defib in December 2018 and it will have to be returned. Clerk has queried this with them as Burtle PC's agreement was for the life of the machine which was expected to be seven years. SWAST now offer four year contracts with similar cover to that which Burtle has at present at a cost of £1800.00 +VAT. There are other options eg to purchase a machine from elsewhere but this would not have the backup package given by SWAST.

SIDs – Still awaiting further information about options now that service has ceased.

171 PLANNING

Applications – 55/18/00001/DT Erection of detached dwellinghouse including first floor balcony, detached garage with office over and formation of vehicular access on land to the East of, Swallows Nest, Burtle Road, Burtle

After discussion Councillors unanimously agreed to support the application for the following reasons:

- *They believe that the proposed dwelling is suitable in size and proportions to fit into the infill plot and blend in with adjacent properties.*
- *The applicant is employed on the family farm in Burtle.*
- *The applicants are from an established village farming family who have always played an active part in the community and councillors are keen to see young families such as this make their home in the village to continue that tradition and help sustain local amenities such as the playgroup and village hall.*

Decisions – none notified

172 FINANCE

Draft accounts for 2017/8 were discussed ahead of the Annual Parish meeting to follow.
Grant for purchase of IT equipment has been received

The following cheques were signed:

Mrs M Perdue (<i>reimbursement of cost of software</i>)	£229.99
HMRC (<i>NIC and PAYE</i>)	£ 76.80

Proposed: Cllr A Duval

Seconded: Cllr R Dallimore

Steve Hodge is happy to continue cutting grass on Sandpit during 2018/19 at same rate and conditions.

173 NOISE AND INCREASE IN HGV TRAFFIC FROM PEAT WORKS

Still no reply or acknowledgment received in response to email sent on 5th February 2018 asking for explanations to current situation at Godwin's despite further reminders.

Email received from Ian Liddell-Grainger MP detailing the actions he has taken to try to obtain some answers about the situation. He too is disappointed with the response that he has had so far including a conversation with Cllr Harvey Siggs Chairman of Mendip District Council and suggests that Burtle PC might consider other options such as Freedom of Information Request or a complaint to the Local Government Ombudsman.

174 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Unfortunately, Mr David Eccles or another representative from EDF is unable to attend as guest speaker. Chairman will give an update on Burtle Parish Council's actions regarding the wood processing operations at the Godwin's site.

175 VILLAGE CLEAN UP

Clean up day – took place on Sunday 8th April. Some eighteen people took part and enjoyed a soup and pudding lunch after. Sedgemoor DC collected all the rubbish on the following Monday.

176 CORRESPONDENCE

Catcott School has a vacancy for a governor.

177 ITEMS OF INTEREST

Nothing raised

178 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday 2nd May 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. This will be the Annual Meeting.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 7.55pm. The annual Parish Meeting followed at 8pm

179 ACTIONS FROM MEETING

Action	Assigned to	To be actioned by	Actions Taken
Remind Planning officer again for reply to email 5 th Feb re Godwin's	Clerk	May 2018	
Report faded 30mph sign	Clerk	May 2018	
Carry out repairs needed to bus shelter	Cllr A Duval	May 2018	
Research new signs for Sandpit c/f from February	Cllrs	May 2018	

Signed.....Date.....