

Burtle Parish Council Summary September 2019

Highways Cllrs were pleased to note the resurfacing work in Edington Road and Westhay Road and that the potholes remaining after completion have also now been filled in. Both roads are now very much improved. Highways Dept apologised for the fact that no notification of the road closures was sent and that advance notice signs were not erected to warn of the road closures. Other areas in the parish including the subsidence in Edington Road have been identified marked up for patching work.

District Cllr Stuart Kingham's enquiries regarding the safety of deep-water lake beside the peatworks are still ongoing. Cllrs feel that a safety barrier is needed.

Westhay Broad Drove Highways dept are still trying to obtain details of the owners of this land to contact them regarding the siting of the new fence on the highway verge and the hazard that the barbed wire poses to cyclists etc.

Planning Cllrs unanimously agreed to support an application for alterations and erection of a two storey & single storey extension to rear (south) elevation and single storey extension to side (west) elevation at Robins Cottage, Robins Lane. They were pleased to see that the proposals were in keeping with the original and that the character of the old building will be retained. They also unanimously agreed to support an application to erect an agricultural building at Whites Farm, Burtle Road as it is an agricultural building within the curtilage of the farm.

Sedgemoor District Council has approved an application for Erection of first floor extension at Bowdly, Burtle Rd

Retrospective application for the erection of a front wall with downlights at site of Burtle School, Mark Road has been refused by Sedgemoor District Council.

Speeding and Traffic through the village Burtle Parish Council requested a review some time ago and District Cllr D Huxtable offered to take the matter up with the traffic Engineer. Clerk to write to him to ask for an update of any progress made.

Finger Posts Preliminary assessment has been made and various options for their refurbishment which will comply with the stringent conditions set out by Somerset County Council and will be affordable to Burtle are still being researched.

Burtle Inn Site Sedgemoor District Council has placed a 'stop notice' on all work on the restaurant end of the old pub for continued non payment of Community Infrastructure Levy. This is due for payment when building work commences.

Trees and Hedges overhanging the highway The Parish Council has no responsibility for any trees or hedges that overhang the highway. The land owner/occupier concerned is liable for the safety of any trees or hedges that may cause a danger. The Parish Council has advised the relevant landowners of concerns recently raised to them about some trees in the village.

Social Media Cllrs agreed to review their Media Policy to specifically include social media.

Next meeting Wednesday 2nd October at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.