

## **Burtle Parish Council Summary December 2019**

**Highways** Cllrs pleased to note that 30mph sign in Edington Road has been replaced and that overgrown hedge in Robins Lane has been cut back. Highways dept has confirmed that the contractors building up the sides of the road in Westhay Road are working for them. SCC Bridge Dept are aware of damage to the stone bow bridge in Catcott Broad Drove and have it listed for repair.

Cllrs agreed to arrange to cut back the overgrown vegetation on Edington Road from the bridge up to the Nydon as it is obstructing visibility for road users.

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** No further news from Environment Agency regarding removal of the spoil tipped on the site. Highways dept have now ascertained the owner of the land and have contacted the owners to let them know that the barbed wire fence must be removed.

**Speeding and Traffic through the village** District Cllr D Huxtable was present at the meeting and agreed to take up the Parish Council's continued requests for road markings with the Traffic Engineer. Reflectors have been placed on the stone parapets at Redgate.

**Finger Posts** Somerset Forge have completed the renovation of the finger post by the Sandpit. Councillors are very pleased with the work carried out and thanked Cllr A Duval for his work over many months. Consideration will be given to the renovation of the post at the Cross in the new year.

**Wood chipping operations** Appeals against the enforcement notice at the Ashcott Road site have been withdrawn and it is understood that operations are ceasing on the site.

**Planning** An additional meeting was held on 11<sup>th</sup> December to consider the application for demolition of existing single storey rear extension, raising of roof height, erection of a two-storey extension and erection of a detached garage at Knapp House, Catcott Road, Burtle. Cllrs agreed to unanimously support the application with the following comments:

- *This application will improve and update the property.*
- *Cllrs would prefer reclaimed roof tile to be used rather than the new ones specified. They feel this would be more in keeping with the other properties in the area and the general street scene.*
- *Cllrs note that the height of the front boundary fence has now been confirmed as 1 metre high and that the fencing on the remaining three sides will be 1.6 metres.*
- *Cllrs note that no mention has been made regarding foul water treatment.*

**Next meeting Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. NB this is one week later than usual as the first Wednesday of the month is New Years Day**