

## Summary of Burtle Parish Council Meeting - October 2020

A virtual meeting was held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

**Highways** Hole in the bridge at Halterpath Drove has still not been repaired. Clerk to report hole in the road near to historic badger activity in Mark Road near to Lilac Farm and leaning 30mph sign at Lowland Farm. Trees and vegetation overhanging the highway in Catcott Broad Drove is causing vehicles to drive over the opposite verge damaging the edge of the tarmac.

**Planning 55/20/0004** Noted that formal application is not required for proposed agricultural development on land to the North of Lilac Farm

**Finance** Audit of 2019/20 Accounts is now completed. Exemption certificate has been accepted by the external auditor.

**Noticeboards** Councillors have volunteered to carry out repairs to the noticeboards by Hill Farm and at the Village Hall.

**VE Day Coins** Cllrs had planned to present a special coin to all the young people of Burtle to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of VE Day on 8th May 2020. Unfortunately, Covid 19 restrictions meant that it was not possible to do that in May or on the anniversary of VJ Day in August. With restrictions still in place coins will now be distributed to the young people of the village. They can be requested from the clerk or any councillor.

**Speeding and Traffic through the village** site meeting with the County Traffic Engineer to discuss problems and options to try to improve safety and compliance with speed limits through our village has been agreed. Cllrs have been requesting this for many months.

**Footpaths** Cllrs have received complaints that many footpaths in the parish are not passable. The Parish Council is aware that there are issues on many of the footpaths in the parish most of them longstanding, but there is very little that the Parish Council is able to do apart from reporting them to the County Council Rights of Way Service and asking them to take action. This has been done this on many occasions over the years but they still remain unresolved.

There is a link to the County Council's interactive map on the Footpaths page of the Burtle website. This shows all reported faults on paths and their status together with the facility for individuals to report any faults or obstructions that they might find.

**Next meeting** Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 7.30pm to discuss two planning applications. This will be a virtual meeting with everyone welcome to attend.