

BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 4th October 2017 at 7.30pm in Burtle Village Hall.

85 PRESENT

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

86 APOLOGIES

Councillor S Bull (*arrived at 8.30pm*)
County Councillor David Huxtable

87 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr J Porter and District Councillor S Kingham declared an interest in the Burtle Inn Planning application

88 DISPENSATIONS

None were sought

89 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6th September 2017 were agreed and signed as correct.

90 MATTERS ARISING

Highways - Overgrown hedges in Robin's Lane have been cut back by a neighbouring farmer. There is a loose bollard on the side of the road near to River Bridge. There is no sign of where it has come from but it still has the concrete around the base and is causing a hazard to traffic – to be reported to Highways.

Drainage – Next stage of an ongoing project by the Drainage Board to reinstate historical water courses in the parish in a bid to help reduce the risk of future flooding in Burtle. A section from rear of Chapel Hill Farm to the pond in Robin's Lane is currently under way. The phase after that will cover the Robins Lane/Robins Drive area and cllrs discussed the possible need to look at ditches, hedges and trees in that area.

Catcott Broad Drove – nothing to report.

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

Laptop for Clerk – Suitable software to be purchased before grant application can be made.

Sign on Sandpit and Finger Posts -Working party to be arranged to carry out the work as soon as possible.

Burtle website – Cllr R Dallimore has completed the upgrading the website. Cllrs thanked him for all his work to improve the website for the village.

91 PLANNING

Applications – **55/17/00002** Change of use and extension of Public House to form two dwellings at Burtle Inn, Catcott Broad Drove, Burtle

The latest version of the plans for conversion of the Burtle Inn to two dwellings, registered on 27.9.17, was discussed together with a bat survey and materials schedule for the project. Councillors unanimously agreed to support the application in its latest form with the following conditions:

Meare and Westhay with HGV traffic and dust etc. At the end of the formal meeting the representatives from Burtle took the opportunity to flag up the application at the Godwin's site to all the panel members including James Heapey MP.

95 CORRESPONDENCE

Planning meetings to be held at Bridgwater House on 12th and 18th October

96 ITEMS OF INTEREST

Road signs - Some parishioners have enquired about the signs through the village indicating the 30mph limit. These were agreed and erected when the limit was first put in place several years ago. Clerk to make enquiries about current rules for such signs and the possibility of having a priority sign by Red Gate for vehicles leaving and entering the village.

Fly tipping – Clerk to arrange collection of rubbish tipped at Huntspill Drove and Westhay Road. Cllrs noted correspondence from Sedgemoor regarding a gentleman who has recently spent a night in jail for not paying a fine for fly tipping.

Poppies on Sandpit – Burtle poppy organizer would like to erect some large poppies on the Sandpit during this year's campaign. Cllrs unanimously agreed to this request.

97 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st November 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm

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