

Burtle Parish Council Summary January 2020

Highways Cllrs pleased to note that pothole in Catcott Broad Drove has been repaired.

Clerk to inform Highways Dept. that drain at the Cross by Watts Farm is ineffective as it is higher than the road surface also road surface is breaking by the Sandpit.

Still some trees overhanging the Highway in Robins Lane. Land owner to be made aware.

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. The Mendip District Councillor for Meare and Westhay, Matt Martin, was present and will also take the matter up as the lake is actually in Westhay.

Westhay Broad Drove still awaiting updates from Environment Agency and Highways regarding action they are taking regarding barbed wire fencing on the Highway and rubbish tipped on the site.

Speeding and Traffic through the village County Cllr D Huxtable was not present at the meeting but reported that his December meeting with the Traffic Engineer had been cancelled and so he had been unable to take up the Parish Council's continued requests for road markings. This matter has been ongoing for two years now.

Finger Posts some grant aid may be available for the renovation of the post at the Cross. Clerk to pursue. The post by Black Bull Bridge has been renovated by Mark Parish Council but as the border is so convoluted at this point Cllrs unanimously agreed to share the cost of the work with Mark Parish Council.

Wood chipping operations Mendip District Cllr Matt Martin informed the meeting that following the withdrawal of the appeals the Ashcott Road site is being cleared. The Meare group are now looking at the Godwin's site which is in their Parish. Burtle Parish Council offered to share all their correspondence about the site.

Planning Sedgemoor District Council Planning Dept have granted permission 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. Formal application not required for the formation of a concrete yard area at Lowland Farm, Burtle.

Appeal against refusal for retrospective application for wall and downlights at the site of former School, Burtle has been dismissed by the Planning Inspector.

Precept 2020/21 Cllrs unanimously agreed to set the precept at £4100 unchanged from the previous year.

Noticeboards Cllrs agreed to review the noticeboards and refurbish them as necessary in the Spring

Next meeting Wednesday 5th February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.