

BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 4th December 2019 at 7.30pm in Burtle Village Hall.

104 PRESENT

Councillor R Dallimore (chairman)
Councillor A Duval (vice chairman)
Councillor S Bull
Councillor N Ponsillo
Councillor J Porter
County Councillor D Huxtable

105 APOLOGIES

District Councillor Stuart Kingham

106 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared

107 DISPENSATIONS

None were sought

108 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes of the meetings held on 6th November 2019 were agreed and signed as correct.

109 REVIEW OF ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

These were reviewed and progress noted

110 MATTERS ARISING

Highways – Cllrs pleased to note that 30mph sign in Edington Road has been replaced and that overgrown hedge in Robins Lane by the pond 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 are keen to see historic plaque on the bridge restored and retained and will carry out the work on a voluntary basis. Clerk to liaise with Bridge Dept.
Overhanging trees on northern side of Robins Lane near to the church have been cut back but there are a few overhanging on the southern side. Cllr J Porter will approach the owner of that land.

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. County Cllr D Huxtable noted concerns.

CIL Payments for Burtle Inn development still outstanding.

111 PLANNING

Applications – *none notified*

Decisions – *none notified*

A planning application for Knapp House has been received but too late to be discussed at this meeting. Cllrs agreed to hold an additional short meeting on 11th December to discuss the application in time to make any responses before the deadline.

112 FINANCE

Invoices for payment There were no invoices for payment

Precept 2020/21 to be considered at January meeting

113 TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE

District Cllr D Huxtable took another note of the continued requests for road markings and agreed to take the matter up with the Traffic Engineer including the concerns raised by the Village Hall Committee regarding safety of those visiting the hall. Reflectors have been installed on the stone parapets at Redgate.

114 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. In the meantime, clerk will continue to pursue the possibility of a grant for the work as the post is an unusual design.

Letter has been sent to Mark PC regarding finger post at Black Bull Bridge including an offer of a contribution towards the cost of renovation.

115 SSSI LAND AT WESTHAY BROAD DROVE

Liam Gill, Highways dept has replied saying that when the plot was inspected the barbed wire fence had been taken down but as they have now seen that the fence is still in situ, he has ascertained the contact details for the owners and advised them that it should be removed.

116 WOOD CHIPPING OPERATIONS

Appeals against Enforcement notices on Ashcott Road site have been withdrawn and it would appear that South West Wood products are vacating the site.

Group from Meare were planning to attend the meeting to give an update on the situation with that site and the Westhay Road site but no one was free to attend.

117 CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Burtle Village Hall pointing out the condition of the noticeboard by the postbox. Cllrs agreed to review the condition of the board. Cllr N Ponsillo will arrange and go ahead if under £100.00

118 ITEMS OF INTEREST

Verge in Edington Road 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. Cllr J Porter will arrange and go ahead if under £100.00.

119 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting Wednesday 8th January 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. **NB** This is one week later than usual as first Wednesday in January is New Year's Day.

There will be a shot additional meeting to discuss the planning application on Wednesday 11th December at 8pm.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

120 ACTIONS FROM MEETING

Action	Assigned to	To be actioned by	Actions Taken
Arrange additional meeting 11 th December	Clerk	11.12.19	
Continue to remind Highways re barbed wire fence on SSSI land at Westhay Road.	Clerk	ongoing	
Prepare part year spreadsheet up to 31.12.19	Clerk	Jan 2020	
Publish updated Media Policy on website	Clerk/Cllr R Dallimore	Jan 2020	
Continue to request information re progress of overdue cil payment at Burtle Inn	Clerk	ongoing	
Write to Mark PC re fingerpost at Black Bull Bridge	Clerk	Jan 2020	
Continue to monitor response from Natural England re hardcore on SSSI land at Westhay Broad Drove	Clerk	ongoing	

Signed.....Date.....