

BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 2nd December 2020 at 7.30pm. This was a virtual meeting held via zoom.

40 PRESENT

Councillor R Dallimore (chairman)
Councillor A Duval (vice chairman)
Councillor S Bull
District Councillor Stuart Kingham
District Councillor Matt Martin
County Councillor David Huxtable

41 APOLOGIES

Councillor N Ponsillo
Councillor J Porter

42 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

District Cllr S Kingham declared an interest in the planning application as a member of the Planning Committee.

43 DISPENSATIONS

None were sought

44 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the virtual meeting held on 4th November 2020 were agreed and will be signed as correct by the Chairman.

45 MATTERS ARISING

Highways – After some confusion bridge at Halterpath Drove has been identified by SCC Bridge Dept. This is not recorded on their list of bridges probably because the span is too small to meet their criteria and if that is the case, it will be responsibility of Highways dept. Pothole in Burtle Road near to Sunset Bay Farm has been repaired.

CIL Restaurant end of Burtle Inn is now up for sale as semi-detached property. Query payment of cil is stop notice still in place?

VE day coins Some delivered still trying to find names of other young people in the village.

Noticeboards Repairs to board by village hall to be assessed by Councillors.

The Chairman brought the following item forward so that it could be discussed whilst County Councillor D Huxtable and Mendip District Cllr M Martin were present.

46 TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE

White line painted on hall side of Burtle Road and 30mph roundels appeared in the road before Traffic Engineer's promised report with a plan of action based on the observations and discussions at site meeting. Report and recommendations now received it appears work is incomplete. To be reviewed.

HGVs from Wood chipping operation at Godwin's continue to be a problem Mendip District Councillor M Martin confirmed that he is in discussion with Mendip District Council regarding the whole issue of wood chipping operations on the site. The road by the site has been covered with a thick layer of peat recently rendering it very slippery and dangerous. The

unfenced deep-water pond makes this even more treacherous. Clerk has highlighted this to Meare Parish Council as it is in their parish. Cllr Martin will take this up.

District Councillor D Huxtable and Mendip District Councillor M Martin left the meeting

47 FINANCE

There were no invoices for payment

48 PLANNING

District Cllr S Kingham left the meeting

Applications -

55/20/00007 Erection of a single storey rear extension and alterations to the existing dwelling and roof at Sunset Cottage, Robins Lane, Burtle

After discussion Cllrs unanimously agreed to support the application with the following comments: *Councillors are pleased to see that the plans keep the traditional features of the front of the cottage whilst updating the property and making it suitable for modern family living*

Decisions – none notified

District Councillor S Kingham rejoined the meeting

49 SOMERSET COUNTY COUNCIL CLIMATE EMERGENCY COMMUNITY FUND 2020 – 2021 -PROPOSED GRANT APPLICATION BY BURTLE VILLAGE HALL

Grant application would have to be made by Parish Council and they would be responsible for administering the project. As one quote had only been received that afternoon it was agreed to hold another meeting in one week when Councillors had had opportunity to study the information put forward. It was also hope that a full council would be present to join the discussion.

50 CORRESPONDENCE

Precept request 2021/22 has been received. To be dealt with in New Year.

51 ITEMS OF INTEREST

Catcott Broad Drove - concerns about extensive clearing and tipping on SSI site.

Enforcement Officer is investigating. Natural England informed.

Daffodil bulbs have been delivered. Cllr A Duval and Cllr S Bull have planted some but about half a sack full still need to be planted.

Tree for Sandpit Replacement was promised for Cherry that had died. Sedgemoor District Council are able to assist with purchasing a replacement with their order from professional tree nursery. Burtle PC will be invoiced for cost of the chosen tree by Sedgemoor. As two cherry trees have failed in this spot a Malus ‘Evereste’ has been suggested. Cllrs agreed to go ahead with purchase of suggested tree and to write to Mr & Mrs Jones to let them know that replacement tree will be planted as promised.

52 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 9th December 2020 at 8.00pm to discuss grant application.

Wednesday 6th January 2021 at 7.30pm both via zoom.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.50pm.

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