

BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 3rd March 2021 at 7.30pm. This was a virtual meeting held via zoom.

89 PRESENT

Councillor R Dallimore (chairman)

Councillor A Duval (vice chairman)

Councillor N Ponsillo

Councillor J Porter

District Councillor Stuart Kingham

District Councillor Matt Martin (*Joined the meeting briefly at 7.30pm*)

90 APOLOGIES

Councillor S Bull

91 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None made

92 DISPENSATIONS

None were sought

93 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the virtual meeting held on 3rd February 2021 were agreed and will be signed as correct by the Chairman.

94 MATTERS ARISING

Highways – Potholes in Mark Road and deterioration of road surface in Halterpath Drove noted for repair by Highways Dept. Response received from Highways re report of potholes and deterioration in Catcott Broad Drove is ‘numerous repairs have been done on this road. Planned and reactive inspections will also continue to be carried out.’

Bridge in Halter Path Drove Highways Dept plan to repair damage to Bow Bridge in next financial year.

Flooding by pond in Robins Lane nothing to report - grant application meeting due 5th March

Safety of Lake by Godwin’s District Cllr Kingham and Mendip District Cllr Martin are still pursuing the matter with the new traffic engineer.

Burtle Inn site Cil due still not paid. Stop notice will remain in place until it is paid in full. Owner has been made aware that if ‘self build’ section is sold Cil will become due on that portion too

Tree for Sandpit awaiting planting

Plaque for Bow Bridge still at Rural Life Museum to be collected after lockdown. Bridge has been repaired and plaque will be replaced when it has been refurbished.

Footpaths Cllr Ponsillo has made contact with new area warden and is awaiting a response.

Fly tipping continues to be a problem. Annual Spring Clean not permissible under current Covid 19 restrictions. Thanks to parishioners who are picking up rubbish on the verges on an ad hoc basis.

Grass cutting on sandpit – Clerk has written to Wayne Pople asking if he is willing to continue for the next financial year under the same terms.

95 FINANCE

Grant Applications

Following a request from Burtle Village Hall Committee for some financial help, Councillors unanimously agreed to make a one-off payment of £500 to cover loss of income that would have arisen from the Parish Council's use of the hall for meetings and events over last year and the current year. A contribution of £200 towards the upkeep of the Churchyard was also agreed following a request.

Proposed Cllr J Porter

Seconded Cllr N Ponsillo

The following cheques were agreed for payment:

Mrs M Perdue	Clerk's salary 1.10.20 – 31.3.21		
	(including back pay 1.4.20 – 30.9.20)	£480.00	
Mrs M Perdue	Clerk's exps 1.10.20.- 31.3.21	<u>£ 90.00</u>	£570.00
Burtle Village Hall			£500.00
Friends of Burtle Church			£200.00

Proposed Cllr A Duval

Seconded Cllr R Dallimore

96 PLANNING

Applications – none notified

Decisions –

55/20/00006 Erection of an agricultural building at Whites Farm, Burtle Road, Burtle
GRANTED

97 APPLICATION TO STOP UP HIGHWAY AT BURTLE INN SITE

Cllrs unanimously agreed to make no objection to the formal application to the Department of Transport to stop up part of the Highway at the Burtle Inn site

98 TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE AND ROAD MARKINGS

Still awaiting reply from Aileen Fletcher, the new Traffic Engineer, about outstanding issues.

99 CATCOTT BROAD DROVE

Sedgemoor Enforcement Officer has most recent tipping logged. Telephone call from Simon Fairthorne, Environment Agency, has confirmed that they are not interested, OK to tip soil. Telephone conversation with Stephen Parker Natural England, has confirmed that he had confused it with Westhay Broad Drove site but will now look into it from an SSSI aspect.

100 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND ANNUAL MEETING

SALC has confirmed that under the current emergency regulations both of these meetings may be held virtually. The following dates were agreed:

Annual Parish Meeting Wednesday 7th April 2021 at 8pm via zoom. Clerk to issue invitations to usual participants.

Annual Meeting Wednesday 5th May 2021 at 7.30pm via zoom

101 CORRESPONDENCE

Email re Climate change and Environment champions from Sedgemoor was noted

102 ITEMS OF INTEREST

1st April 2021 will mark forty years since the formation of Burtle Parish Council

103 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 7th 2021 at 7.30pm via zoom. This will be a short meeting to deal with urgent business prior to the Annual Parish Meeting at 8pm.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm.

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