Summary of Burtle Parish Council Meeting – October 2023

Highways Cllrs are pleased to see that the dip in Edington Road by Hillview has been repaired again although they are concerned that it has been repaired several times now but the road surface still continues to sink again a short time after each repair.

Rubbish bin by the bus shelter is still being used for dog waste although it is not a dog waste bin. Somerset Council have advised that they consider it a health risk to empty the bin on a monthly basis and that any contract with them to empty the bin would have to be at least on a weekly basis at a cost of £2.68 per time. Councillors have previously agreed to purchase a special bin and agreed to have the new bin emptied weekly despite the increased cost to the Parish Council.

Enforcement Issues Councillors continue to engage with relevant bodies regarding the numerous planning breaches within the parish, many of which are on SSSI land.

Speed Indicator Device has now been erected in Mark Road for two weeks facing in an Easterly direction and for two weeks facing in a Westerly direction. Data collected has shown some interesting patterns with a maximum speed of 83mph recorded in Mark Road. It was proposed to publish the data on the Burtle website and also to display some printouts at Café Burtle.

New pole for SID in Burtle Road near to Sunset Bay Farm cannot be used at present as Somerset Highways have erected it right in the hedge making it impossible to use. They have agreed to move it to a suitable location as soon as possible.

Grit bins the bin by the Burtle Inn and the church have been inspected and are filled ready for the winter. Consideration to be made to provide one in a location near to Black Bull Bridge. This would have to be purchased by the Parish Council but would be filled by Somerset Highways Dept.

Date and time of next meeting: Wednesday 1st November 2023 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.