BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 6th December 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

83 PRESENT

Councillor R Dallimore (chairman) Councillor J Hedges Councillor N Ponsillo Councillor J Porter

84 APOLOGIES

Councillor S Bull (vice chairman)

85 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None noted

86 DISPENSATIONS

None were sought

87 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 1st November 2023 were agreed and signed.

88 MATTERS ARISING

Grit Bin by Black Bull Bridge Bin has been delivered and Cllrs agreed to put it in place as soon as possible. A cheque for £70 has been received from Mark parish Council as a donation towards the cost of the bin as it is right on the boundary between both our parishes and will benefit all residents. Clerk will send an email of thanks to Mark PC.

Bow Bridge in Catcott Broad Drove await repair by Somerset Council before refixing plaque.

Rubbish Bin at Bus Shelter Bin and fixing post has been removed and notice requesting that dog owners take waste home has been fixed on the side of the shelter. Thanks to Cllr J Hedges for carrying out the work.

89 FINANCE

Invoices for Payment

The following payments were agreed:

Mr W Pople Sandpit grass cutting Oct	£ 45.00
Tudor Environmental Grit bin	£150.00
Somerset SID poles	£300.00
M Perdue reimbursement for signs	£ 11.20

Proposed Cllr R Dallimore Seconded Cllr N Ponsillo

90 Letter from Somerset Council re Financial situation. Asset and Service Devolution

Councillors discussed information to hand but most of the services etc. listed are not relevant to Burtle. Agreed to discuss the matter again in the new year when Somerset Council provide the further information that has been promised.

91 PLANNING

Applications - 55/23/00005/EC Application to determine if prior approval is required for the proposed installation of 1 x (approx.) 7.5m wooden pole, underground 397m duct and 2 x jointing chambers (all in the verge alongside the carriageway). Ref: HV6152 Electronic Communications Apparatus adjacent to, Tween Cottage, Catcott Broad Drove, Burtle, TA7

After considering the new information submitted, Councillors unanimously agreed that they had no observations to make.

Decisions – none notified

92 ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

The new Enforcement Officer for Natural England, Candice Sereaton, has now taken up the longstanding issues at Westhay Broad Drove and Catcott Broad Drove. Email has been received advising that she will let Burtle PC have a written report in due course.

93 TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE AND ROAD MARKINGS

Speed Indicator Device continues to be rotated around the village to the approved locations.

94 ITEMS OF INTEREST

Burtle Village Hall Councillors were concerned to see the headline in the Village Hall Newsletter that the hall may have to close because lack of volunteers to help to run it and to join the management committee. They resolved to invite the chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee to attend their next meeting in January.

Soil piled up between grass verge and highway in front of Mapledean, Station Road Concerns about the mound of soil that has been created. Clerk asked to report to Highways dept as it is felt that it could become a danger to road users and pedestrians.

Finger post by Blackbull (River) Bridge has been knocked over by a vehicle. Arrangements are in place to have it reinstated.

95 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 10th January 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

NB this is one week later than normal to take account of the Christmas / New Year Bank holidays.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

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