

BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 6th March 2024 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

124 PRESENT

Councillor S Bull (vice chairman)
Councillor R Dallimore (chairman)
Councillor N Ponsillo
Councillor J Porter

125 APOLOGIES

Councillor J Hedges

126 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None noted

127 DISPENSATIONS

None were sought

128 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2024 were agreed and signed.

129 MATTERS ARISING

Highways Cllrs are pleased to see that the large pothole in centre of the carriageway in Edington Road has been repaired although others in the vicinity have not been repaired.

Bridge at Redgate Damaged/missing reflector posts are listed for replacement but news of bridge repairs still awaited.

Damage to railings at Black Ditch Rhyne, Westhay Road Bridge dept have responded that they have asked their contractors to monitor safety of the barriers and have said that repairs will be carried out as soon as practicable.

Finger post by Blackbull (River) Bridge repair of finger post damaged by a vehicle is in hand.

130 FINANCE

Invoices for Payment

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| Mrs M Perdue <i>Clerk's salary 1.10.23 - 31.3.24</i> | £440.00 |
| <i>Clerk's exps 1.10.23 - 31.3.24</i> | <u>£ 98.50</u> |
| Total | £538.50 |

Proposed Cllr R Dallimore

Seconded Cllr S Bull

Somerset Council's Financial situation. Asset and Service Devolution

Letter has now been received outlining more information about devolution plans but nothing of any significance for a small parish such as Burtle

131 PLANNING

Applications 55/24/00001 Change of use of agricultural land to domestic curtilage at Cherry Tree Barn, Robins Lane, Burtle TA7 8NT

After discussion Councillors unanimously agreed to support the application.

Decisions 55/23/00006 Erection of a two storey extension to the side (NE) elevation, single storey extension to the rear (NW) elevation on site of existing conservatory (to be demolished), and front porch to the (SE) elevation on site of existing porch (to be demolished). at 3 Station Road, Burtle TA7 8NU

Permission granted by Somerset Planning – North

132 GRASS CUTTING ON SANDPIT 1.4.24 -31.3.25

Councillors very happy with the way that Wayne Pople has carried out the grass cutting on the Sandpit during the current year. Clerk to write to thank him and ask if he is happy to continue for 2024/2025 under the current terms and conditions.

133 ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

Nothing to report from Natural England or Somerset Enforcement Team.

134 TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE AND ROAD MARKINGS

SID continues to be rotated between designated locations around the village.

135 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Wednesday 10th April at 8pm. Clerk to invite local groups to give a short report of their activities during the year.

136 Village Cleanup day

Everything booked for Sunday 17th March. Recent weather conditions mean that ditches are currently full of water and verges are very muddy. Situation will be reviewed nearer the date and if there are any concerns for safety of participants the event will have to be cancelled.

137 ITEMS OF INTEREST

Flooding in the Village – the recent prolonged periods of heavy rain have caused some areas to flood in the village. It is the responsibility of riparian owners to keep ditches and rhynes clear. Cllr J Porter has cleared several ditches in the area and a request has been made to Highways dept to jet gullies in the village some of which appear to be blocked.

138 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 10th April 2024 at the earlier time of 7.15pm in the Village Hall. This will be a short meeting to deal with any urgent business ahead of the Annual Parish Meeting at 8pm.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 9.00pm.

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