

BURTLE PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Burtle Parish Council was held on Wednesday 10th April 2024 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall. This was a short meeting to deal with urgent business ahead of the Annual Parish Meeting at 8pm

139 PRESENT

Councillor S Bull (vice chairman)
Councillor R Dallimore (chairman)
Councillor J Hedges
Councillor N Ponsillo
Councillor J Porter
Somerset Councillor H Munt

140 APOLOGIES

None

141 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None noted

142 DISPENSATIONS

None were sought

143 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 6th March 2024 were agreed and signed.

144 MATTERS ARISING

Highways damage to road surface in Robins Lane has been repaired although it is felt that the quality of the work is not that good. Concerns about the standard of recent repairs as the tarmac is already breaking down in the pothole recently repaired in Edington Road.

Bridge at Redgate nothing to report

Damage to railings at Black Ditch Rhyne, Westhay Road nothing to report

Finger post by Blackbull (River) Bridge nothing to report

Blocked gullies Highways dept have responded that gullies in the village are scheduled to be checked in this financial year and any that are found to be blocked will be jetted. They have advised that they will not work efficiently until the water levels are lower.

Grass cutting at the Sandpit Wayne Pople has confirmed that he is happy to continue for the period 1.4.24 – 31.3.25 under the same terms and conditions as previous year.

145 FINANCE

Statement of Accounts 2023/24 was presented to the meeting. Balance Carried forward at 31.3.24 £5982.29.

Invoices for Payment

HMRC PAYE	£110.00
Mr W Pople <i>Grass cutting</i>	£ 45.00

Proposed Cllr R Dallimore

Seconded Cllr J Hedges

Clerk's Salary

Has been reviewed and an increase to £1,300.00 per annum from 1.4.24 was agreed

Proposed Cllr R Dallimore

Seconded Cllr J Porter

146 PLANNING

Applications

55/24/00002 Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed use of the property as a children's home that offers supported living accommodation for children aged between 11 and 18, that will allow up to 5 people living together (up to 3 children and 2 carers at any one time) as a single household the provision of care under use class C3 (b) of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 - Part C. at Huntspill House, Catcott Broad Drove, Burtle

NB Burtle Parish Council are not required to comment on the above application but have been notified as a matter of courtesy.

Decisions – none notified

147 ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

Cllrs were very disappointed to receive an email from Natural England, Enforcement Team stating 'Natural England's enforcement investigation of both the cases referred to as "Catcott Broad Drove" and "Westhay Broad Drove" have been concluded and we have referred this back to our local Area team, Wessex, with the view that going forward they should be in contact with the local planning authority. We would also suggest that any further information akin to the below should be referred to the local planning authority for investigation as they are attributed more to a potential breach in planning.'

New Enforcement Officer at Somerset - North has visited Westhay Broad Drove regarding horsebox at Rosebank, Catcott Broad Drove, but will take no further action at the moment as it is no longer parked on the site. He noticed mobile home on the site further along. History of this and other parts of the site have been sent to him.

148 TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE AND ROAD MARKINGS

SID is currently in Catcott Broad Drove.

Cllrs agreed to purchase an additional bracket making one for each pole. This will avoid having to remove the bracket when changing location of the SID.

149 ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mark Road sign on verge by the Sandpit appears to have been stolen. Replacement has been requested from Somerset Council.

Parking in Catcott Broad Drove Concerns about the number of cars parked on the road near to the Old Burtle Inn site. This is a narrow section of road and the number of parked vehicles makes it difficult for large vehicles to pass. Clerk to write to the manager at Huntspill House as it is believed that some of the vehicles belong to their staff.

150 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 1st May 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. This will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 7.40pm.

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