

Councillors: you are summoned to attend
a meeting of the Pilton Parish Council
in the Pilton Village Hall
on Wednesday 1st August 2018 at 7.30pm

AGENDA

1 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- i Mobile phones should be switched to silent.

2 **APOLOGIES:**

3 **MINUTES:** of the 4th July 2018 to be approved.

4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS:**

5 **MATTERS ARISING:**

i Traffic Strategy:

- Update
- Puffin Crossing:
- A361 meeting: Update from Joe King

ii Highways: Updates re the following:-

• **Culverts:**

- a) Blocked culvert at Cockmill Lane: Ref 525151, the items were inspected on the 16th March and the issue relates to lack of maintenance of the landowners ditches. The Parish Council are asked to provide the landowners details to enable SCC to write to them.
- b) Pylle Lane past the railway line there is a blocked culvert where the stream is flowing across the road; Ref 526389, an inspection of the location has been carried out and a jetting order will be issued to clear the partial blockage as soon as the necessary resources become available.

• **Blocked Drains/ Gullies:**

- a) Meadowcroft: Ref 523675, the item has been inspected and the drainage was functioning at the time of inspection. The overall issue at this location has been referred to the flood risk management group who are based in Taunton who are now taking the lead.
- b) Blocked drain outside Thornton House: Ref 524664, no flooding was found on original inspection however after inspection with Councillor R Kearle a jetting order will be issued to clear the partial blockage as soon as the necessary resources become available.
- c) Drains are blocked at Lays Lane: Ref 524665, Gullies were working at the time of inspection on 22/2/18
The drain in the road of the A361 opposite Parson Batch is blocked. Ref 524578, it is located near the footpath leading to Gabriels Orchard. This was in working order when SCC inspected it on the 22/2/18. This has since been

located further down the road under debris and will be cleared as part of the planned programme.

- d) The Gully was working when inspected 20/2/18. However after an inspection with Councillor R Kearle will now be cleared as part of the next planned works programme.
- e) Overflowing drain in East Town Lane: SCC advised complete however Councillors advised that the drain is full and water is not running away. The drain needs sucking. SCC have requested a more precise location.
- f) Drains and gullies need cleaning opposite Cutlers Cottage at Totterdown Lane. Ref: 526385. An order will be placed for the required works.
- g) The drain needs clearing and the tarmac has lifted outside Shutwell House: The drain ref: 526378 has been inspected and a jetting order issued when resources are available.
- h) The owners of West Cottage have spent money on drainage by putting bigger pipes in however the access for the water to get through is not good enough. Highways are asked to contact Councillor Noble for further information. The overall issue at this location has been referred to the flood risk management group who are based in Taunton who are now taking the lead.
- i) Blocked Drains Perridge Farm: Ref; 526379 after an inspection with Councillor R Kearle will now be cleared as part of the next planned works programme.
- j) The gully opposite the telephone exchange on Totterdown Lane needs emptying. Inspected 18/5/18 and will be included in the next programme of work.

- **Potholes**

- a) Pothole at North Wooton down from Folly/Stoodley Hill: A more precise location has been requested by SCC.
- b) There are very bad potholes outside Perridge Farm: Ref 524579
- c) Potholes at the Ford in the middle of the village: An inspection was carried out on 9/5 and completed on 21/5/18.
- d) A large hole has appeared at Westholme Junction by the Old Shop. An inspection was carried out and this does not constitute a safety defect. SCC has advised that the main road is inspected on a monthly basis and any safety defects will be actioned as necessary.
- e) Pothole at the bottom of Park Hill on the A361 at the Retreat, No Safety defects identified at this location. At Burford Crossroads and Stoodley Hill. The ditch at the same location needs clearing. Ref 526381, it is SCC's intention to put this location forward for patching as soon as the landowner has cleared the ditches. SCC have asked if the Parish Council are able to approach the landowner or provide their details to that they could write to them to request that they clear their ditches.
- f) It has reported to Councillor Wynn that a resident has tripped over a pothole near the sheltered housing by the Post Office/Village Hall. The resident is fine however this is obviously a concern as this area is busy area and used by the residents in the sheltered housing. Ref:526688, Inspected in 18/5/18 safety defects identified and works ordered to be completed by 15/6/18
- g) There is a pothole adjacent to Ashfield House in Bakery Lane. Ref 526689, Inspected 18/5/18 safety defects identified and works ordered to be complete by 15/6/18.
- h) There is a pothole in Totterdown Lane by Two Oaks. Ref: 526690, Inspected 18/5/18 safety defects identified and works ordered to be complete by 15/6/18.

- **General**

- a) Road Markings on Stoodley Lane and Bowermead Lane: These have been inspected and passed to traffic for inclusion in their works programme.
- b) Overgrown Vegetation: This has been referred to the 'Traffic Section'
- c) Visibility down Lamberts Hill: This has been referred to the 'Traffic Section'
- d) Yellow Lines at the bottom of Totterdown Lane: This has been added to the next Mendip Traffic Regulation Order with the support of Nigel Hewitt-Cooper. This is now only done once a year and likely to be done later in the year with all other Mendip sites.
- e) Compton Lane Ditches and gullies: Ref 523162, temporary grips cut, further works to improve grips through verge to be programmed. Ditch clearance rests with the homeowner.
- f) Damage by Badger set Westholme/Water Lane: Signs erected, site works to be programmed when permit can be obtained.
- g) Bank channels to ditch need redigging in Neat Lane: Ref 52476 Not a safety defect as on hill and not traffic impeding. Works will be considered for inclusion in programmed works.
- h) Ditch above Totterdown Lane blocked. Ref 526384, an inspection of the location has been carried out and a jetting order will be issued to clear the partial blockage as soon as the necessary resources are available. Ditches are the landowners responsibilities.
There a large amount of litter on the A361 at Springfield Cross to Lamberts Hill. Litter should be reported to <https://www.mendip.gov.uk/streetclean?formid=10982>
- i) The signposts at Springfield Cross and Park Hill have been knocked down. Ref 525150, SCC advised that damaged fingerposts and arms are now undertaken by parish councils who may employ their own contractors as long as certain assessments and codes of practice is met. Details can be found on <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/policies-and-plans/schemes-and-initiatives/somerset-fingerpost-restoration-project/>
- j) Drop at Ford Lane/Weir Lane: Ref 526693 is on the programme for this financial year to install warning signs and a depth board.
- k) The finger on the sign at Stumps Cross to Shepton Mallett/Croscombe has been broken off. (See q above)
- l) Road breaking up in dip past Winding Lake Farm: Ref 526376, Barriers have been erected in the interim period and any necessary works will be arranged as soon as possible.
- m) The sign at Burford Cross has been knocked over.

- **New Defects:**

- iii Fingerposts & Signs:
 - Dog Fouling Notices: Update
 - Sign near Toll Cottage: Update
- iv Community Speedwatch:
 - Update from Joe King
 - Truck Count for July
- v The Crown Inn: Assets of Community Value: Update from Councillor King
- vi Police Report: July Police Report
- vii Pilton War Memorial:
 - War Memorial Planning Application

- Update from Historic England re funding
- viii Low Cost Housing: Low Cost Housing Criteria – S106
- ix Gypsy and Traveller Count: Update from Councillor Noble
- x Overgrown Vegetation/ASBO's: Update re Joe King/ Robert Kearle.
- xi Bye Laws on Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI's): Questionnaire for completion

6 PLANNING

ii MDC planning decisions and recommendations:

Application Number: 2018/0167/FUL

Proposal: Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling with associated access works.

Location: Deo Gratis, Neat Lane Pilton

Applicant: Mrs P Riley

Application Type: Full Application

Decision: Approval with Conditions

Application Number: 2018/1268/FUL

Proposal: Erection of a storey

Location: and a half rear extension with a dormer window and a single storey side extension with alteration.

Applicant: Mr Robert Smith

Decision: Refusal

Application Number: 2018/1388/AGR

Proposal: Application for prior notification of agricultural development for a proposed new track road (track 3)

Location: Steanbow Farm, Steanbow, Pilton

Applicant: Mr Michael Christensen

Decision: Approval is not required

Application Number: 2016/1271/APP

Proposal: Application for approval of details reserved by condition 3 (joinery details) on planning permission 2015/1408/HSE

Location: Beechcroft, Top Street, Pilton

Applicant: Mrs Joanne Long

Decision: Approval of Details – Cond

Application Number: 2018/0648/FUL

Proposal: Retention of alterations to outbuildings to provide ancillary residential accommodation (Use Class C3) and use of building to provide workshop/studio space (Use Class B1)

Location: East Town Farm, East Town Lane, Pilton

Decision: Approval with Conditions

iii Enforcement:

- Cock and Bull Drove:

- Beggars Roost:
- Friars Oven Farm:
- Tanyards Lane:
- West Compton:

7 **FOOTPATHS:**

- i Update: Update from Councillors

8 **FINANCE:**

- i Financial Statement:

- ii Financial News:

9 **CORRESPONDENCE: A361 Committee Meeting 5th July**

- i. Parish Information Bulletin June 18
- ii. Public Sector Executive Online 29/6
- iii. Somerset Prepared, Safe this Summer 29/6
- iv. SALC, Mobile Homes – Planning Permission & Tax 2/7
- v. Public Sector Executive Online 2/7
- vi. Private Water Supply 4/7
- vii. Women in Local Government 5/7
- viii. St Margaret’s Hospice Newsletter and Open Gardens 5/7
- ix. Patient Engagement Weekly Bulletin 5/7
- x. Public Sector Executive Online 6/7
- xi. Weekly Update from James Heappey 6/7
- xii. Public Sector Executive Online 9/7
- xiii. Public Sector Executive Online 10/7
- xiv. Official Forum 19th July Agenda 10/7
- xv. The Civic Service at Priddy Village Hall 10/7
- xvi. The Rural Bulletin, Rural Services Network 3/7
- xvii. Westminster Briefing 11/7
- xviii. Private Sector Housing Enforcement Policy 12/7
- xix. Public Sector Executive Online 13/7
- xx. Somerset County Council Press Release re Fingerposts 13/7
- xxi. Weekly Update from James Heappey 13/7
- xxii. Women in Local Government 16/7
- xxiii. NALC Annual Conference 2018
- xxiv. SALC – Councillor Training 16/7
- xxv. Public Sector Executive Online 16/7
- xxvi. Rural Bulletin, Rural Services Network 17/7
- xxvii. Patient Engagement Weekly Bulletin 19/7
- xxviii. Public Sector Executive Online 22/7
- xxix. Weekly Update from James Heappey 20/7
- xxx. Public Sector Executive Online 23/7
- xxxi. The Rural Bulletin, Rural Services Network 24/7
- xxxii. Recycle, Hot weather start for waste collections 24/7
- xxxiii. Public Sector Executive Online 24/7
- xxxiv. SALC – Consultation, Bye Laws on Sites of Special Scientific Interest 25/7
- xxxv. Recycle – SWP July Monthly Briefing 25/7

10 **BURIAL GROUND**

- i Maintenance reports:

11 **ITEMS FOR COUNCIL’S INFORMATION:**

- i Roundabout report

12 **GLASTONBURY FESTIVAL:**

- Licence Application: Update

13 **NEXT MEETING:** Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 5th September 2018 at 7.30pm

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