

Bilbrook Parish Council



Clerk's Report – February 2017

- South Staffordshire Local Plan – Site Allocation Document received. Available for public inspection in the Parish Office from Monday 16th January to Monday 27th February 2017
- SPCA Local Councillor Training Course - Tuesday 21 February 2017
SPCA “Development Control: How to respond to Planning Applications”- 8th February and repeated 15 February 2017
- Chairman of South Staffordshire Council Civic Dinner – Invitation for the Parish Chairman to attend. Friday, 17th March 2017.
- South Staffs Community Lottery - supporting good causes and local community projects in South Staffordshire could be launched by the Council in April 2017. Request to answer survey. www.sstaffs.gov.uk/sstaffs-lottery
- Friends of Bilbrook send their thanks to the Councillors who attended their litter pick on Saturday 14th January.
- Details of Christmas Light switch on and Remembrance Day 2017 requested and sent to the Community Council of Staffordshire.
- Complaint from resident regarding excessive dog fouling in Jubilee Wood. Complaint passed onto South Staffs Council who are sending out an officer to do an inspection.
- Email sent to South Staffs Council Revenues Manager requesting a precept of £57,512
- Complaint sent to Highways regarding the non-gritting of Bilbrook Roads on the evening of Thursday 20th January following a request from Cllr N Caine.
- Complaint from Resident regarding car that has not moved from Alexander Road for over 3 months. The Police have not been able to help them as the car is insured, taxed, has a valid MOT and is not causing an obstruction. Complaint forwarded to South Staffs Council.
- Complaint from resident regarding lorries from the Watery Lane Housing Estate using Bilbrook Road and Joey's Lane. Cllr P Fieldhouse looking into this.
- Planning Masterclass, 15th February 2017. I Kenyon and G Price booked on. I Fieldhouse & Parish Clerk on the reserve list.

Items emailed to Councillors

Dec : 22nd, 29th

SPCA Bulletins

Jan: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26

On-going Matters

BPC Flag and standard

1 quote obtained so far from House of Flags for an Endurance flag. Cllr V Chapman following this up.

BPC logo

1 quote obtained and two requested. Cllr Chapman, I Fieldhouse & N Caine
4 quotes obtained – Deferred at November Parish Council Meeting. Additional quote from a local company received.

BPT website

BPC history photos

Photographs new with Boulton and Paul. Codsall and Bilbrook History Society sealing with this.

Cows Crossing sign Wobaston Rd

Cllr R Marshall agreed these will come out of his 2017-18 budget.

Bilbrook Drainage Project

Next multi-agency meeting - Wednesday 1st March at 6pm

Twentyman Playing Fields

SSDC legal department have contacted the Charity Commission. Cllr Chapman & Trustee P Barnett dealing with this.

Association

Bilbrook Village Green – flower

Cllr V Chapman & Cllr P Fieldhouse talking to South Staffs Council regarding this.

beds by Lane Green Shops

Car Park Land Registry

Staffs County Council have submitted the application to the Land Registry who have a backlog of “months” Cllr Marshall will try to speed it up.

Local Council Award Scheme

Working Party - Cllr Chapman, I Fieldhouse & N Caine. Meeting to be arranged.

Removal of Bollards and

Cllr P Fieldhouse obtaining three quotes.

installation of gates on field

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| Trees on the Waste tip access road | Quotes received from 4 companies. Clerk used power under 3.4 of the Financial Regulations to engage contractor to do work on 30 th January. Cllr A Morrison, P Fieldhouse & V Chapman. |
| Tree for Village Green | The issue of the siting the tree and potential blocking of CCTV means the decision was taken not to pursue this. |
| Allotments Association | Awaiting documentation from the Association. Request sent 19/12/16. Cllr V Chapman, P Fieldhouse. Clerk to follow up. |
| Water Tap at Village Hall | All pipework purchased. Need to get hold of a locking mechanism for the taps. To be looked at in the Spring. Cllr P Fieldhouse |
| Wreaths on the War Memorial | Responses to be requested in the next Parish Newsletter (June 2017) Cllr V Chapman. Wreaths have been removed for this year. |
| Grazing Agreement | South Staffs Council Legal department are finalising the grazing agreement. – Cllr Chapman, Marshall & Parish Clerk. |
| Clerks Pension | Pension now set up and first contributions made. Pension Policy needs to be sent to Staffordshire Pension Fund by mid-February. |
| Wobaston Road Lighting | Wolverhampton City Council Highways Operations Manager has confirmed that this is on the list of capital schemes to be considered the in 2017/ 2018 Financial year. |
| Bus Shelter outside Motorworld | Staffordshire County Council who are responsible for the shelter are looking into the possibility of moving it to somewhere else in Bilbrook. Transport West Midlands, Network Co-ordination and Services Specialist is exploring bringing the bus stop back into use. |
| Parish Newsletter | Scheduled to go out in June 2017. Working Party - V Chapman, A Morrison & G Price. Meeting to be arranged. |
| Parking issues in – Carter Avenue & Bilbrook Road | Site Meeting to take place between Cllrs Marshall, P Fieldhouse & V Chapman, and Staffs County Council Infrastructure Liaison Manager. |