

Bilbrook Parish Council

Clerk's Report – July 2017

- Direct Debit for Allotments water will now go to Water Plus instead of Severn Trent.
- Complaint from a resident regarding Lorries on Bilbrook Road passed to South Staffs council whose enforcement officer will raise it with the site manager on 20th June.
- Complaint from a resident regarding silt being discharged into the brook by Taylor Wimpey. South Staffs Enforcement have said this is a matter for the Environment Agency. An incident has been raised with the Environment Agency No. 1533442
- Complaint from a resident regarding litter around Lime Tree Road. South Staffs Council have confirmed that the area is litter picked twice a week and in due for a litter pick next week.
- Complaint from Councillor regarding overgrown stile on Bilbrook Road. Request forwarded to South Staffs Council Street Scene.
- Confirmation from Bilbrook Scouts that grant request will be re-submitted when they have quotes for new storage area.
- Email from Policy & Partnership services offering Wii consoles and fitness accessories that are no longer being used to community youth groups. Forwarded to the Scouts.
- Email received from Volunteer confirming they had litter picked Wobaston Rd from Balliol Rd to Pendeford Business Park on both sides on 26th June and plan to litter pick Barnhurst Lane soon.
- Complaint from Councillor regarding the state the verges on Manor House Farm following gas works. Complaint raised with Cadent who asked that resident contact them. Cadent's number passed to resident
- Complaint from resident regarding water leak by Duck Lane Shop. Leak reported to Severn Trent.
- Confirmation that the bank mandate has been received by the Nationwide and that the bank account is now set up and ready to take funds.

Items emailed to Councillors

Jun 1,8,15, 22,29	SPCA Bulletins
06.06.17	Healthwatch Staffordshire fourth annual Conference – 4 th July 2017
09.06.17	Bilbrook Resilience Group Multi-Agency Meeting – Meeting Monday 12th June.
16.06.17	Police and Fire Consultation & updated email
19.06.17	Staffs County Council Consultation: Updated planning application validation requirements
29.06.17	Useful website showing current and upcoming roadworks www.roadworks.org

On-going Matters

Flag	Received and raised on the Village Green on 27/06/17
Logo	Received and paid for, and as such is now the Council's property. Logo on Village noticeboard replaced and letterhead updated.
BPT website	4 quotes obtained. Quote obtained for.gov.uk domain name.
Cows Crossing sign Wobaston Rd	Cllr Marshall has confirmed that this is being sourced.
Bilbrook Resilience Project	On-going. Next Meeting date to be confirmed.
Twentyman Playing Fields Assoc.	Extraordinary Meeting - Monday 10 th July at 5.30pm in the Parish Office.
Flower beds by Lane Green Shops	South Staffs Council Development Officer confirmed the variation order has been sent out and the work should be completed by the end of July.
Joey's Lane Car Park Registry	Staffs County Council have submitted the application to the Land Registry. 28/06/17 – SCC confirmed still not heard anything.
Local Council Award Scheme	Working Party – Cllrs Chapman, I Fieldhouse & N Caine. Clerk working through Policies required.
Allotments Association	Email sent to Association 28/6/17 for confirmation of status.
Water Tap at Village Hall	Work completed.

Wreaths on the War Memorial	Responses to be requested in the next Parish Newsletter (Delayed to July 2017 due to the Housing Needs Survey)
Grazing Agreement	Now signed by the Chairman. First invoice under the new terms to be sent out in September 2017.
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	National Express are looking into whether the bus stop could be brought back into use for the No. 5 bus. Shelter renovators have confirmed the resale / scrap value of the shelter to be £20-30. Staffordshire County Council confirmed they own the land.
Parish Newsletter	Ready to go to print. Delayed to July 2017 due to House Needs Survey
Parking restrictions - Carter Avenue	This will be addressed in the County Highway Budget for 2018-2019.
Proposed Bus Shelter on Duck La.	On hold due to land ownership issues.
Trees on Pendeford Mill Lane and other parts of Bilbrook	Staffs County Council Infrastructure Liaison Manager advised that the Sorbus group of trees would be suitable to plant. Awaiting to hear back on potential suppliers.
Public space CCTV	Parish Council to look into funding that is available.
Traffic Complaint from Resident	Cllr Marshall has spoken to and arranged to meet with the resident.
Request for replacement trees on the Twentyman Playing fields.	Open Spaces Committee has recommended a tree survey to ascertain if and what type of trees are required.
Electronic Banking	Clerk to look into this.
New Office Printer	Three Quotes requested. On hold as printer is now working.
Bollards	Staffs County Highways team have installed the bollards on Joey's Lane. Workmen have cleaned and removed damaged bollards from around the village.
Bench on Duck Lane	Cllr Chapman liaising with SSHA regarding this as joint financial venture
Traffic around Bilbrook	Staffs County Council Highways department looking into removing surplus signs around the village and at a number of traffic management schemes.
Community Paths Initiative grant	Bid submitted and confirmation email received.
Parking spaces on Ringhills Road	Contractors contacted to confirm project will not go ahead.
Pre-payment card	Email sent to Clerk at Burntwood Town Council. Council would need to have an account with Unity Bank. Other options to be explored.
Woodman Inn	Brewery have conformed the car park will be available for public use once the pay and display facilities are installed. Woodman Inn customers can redeem their ticket from the bar.
Housing Needs Survey	Confirmation sent to South Staffs Housing Association. Accompanying Letter transferred on to Parish Council Letterhead and returned to SSHA
Rising Crime and loss of one PCSO	South Staffs Council Community Safety Officer has confirmed that the request for a locality 4 meeting has been forwarded to Inspector Richard Meaden, South Staffordshire Local Policing Team commander.
Community Council Grant	Grant on hold while other locality 4 Parish Councils decided on grants.
Bilbrook Recycling centre – Ownership of Culvert and Drain	Awaiting plan from the Recycling Centre showing the drain and culvert.
Welcome to Lawn Lane Sign on Lawn Lane	Email sent to Engineering Services at South Staffs Council requesting a sign and confirmation received that they will look into this.
Trees on Joey Lane	Cllr P Fieldhouse is liaising with the resident.
Land next to Bilbrook Train Station	Order placed with land registry to find out land owners £14.95+VAT