

Bilbrook Parish Council

Clerk's Report – May 2018

- The Police will be holding drop in surgeries occasional at Holy Cross Church Hall on Thursdays at 10am. The surgery on 12th April proved very successful.
- Resident complaint – Barnhurst Lane Potholes – Referred them to Highways.
- Resident complaint – Pendeford Hall Lane potholes and mud on the road. Referred them to Highways and Brewood and Coven Parish Council as the section in question is within their Parish
- Confirmation received from South Staffs Council that their operatives have completed the weed spraying across Bilbrook due to grass growing over shale footpaths and others to minimise back up/trimming once the mowing has been completed. This year they haven't weed sprayed around the grass edges on the highway verges this year as this can cause damage and unsightly areas.
- Complaints from resident regarding potholes around Bilbrook. Informed them that the County Councillor has said to report all potholes on line to Highways and to record the log number.
- Compliant from Resident regarding litter collecting by the gate on the Alleyway between Bilbrook Road and Cherry Tree Gardens reported to the SSHA.
- Application submitted for Staffordshire Safer Road grant Funding for a Vehicle Activated Signs on Dam Mill.
- Letter from Compton Hospice confirming name change to Compton Care.
- Request received from South Staffs District Council that any old copies of the electoral registers held need to be destroyed confidentially. These have now all been shredded / destroyed.
- Confirmation received from Highways that they no longer accept reports of defects via email. Residents encouraged to download the “My Staffs” app onto their smart phone and upload photos
- Request for information on Ownership/responsibility for Culvert at Bilbrook Recycling Centre from Staffordshire County Council. Clerk to look into this.
- Staffordshire Pension Fund are holding an LGPS practitioner meeting on Thursday 21st June 2018, in the Council Chamber of County Buildings in Martin Street in Stafford. The meeting will start at 9.30am. Agenda item
- All Tree works with a risk index of 1/1000 completed by contractors.
- All staff given and informed of annual increment as a result of the NJC agreement.
- Email received from South Staffs Council encouraging us to join them in the “[Great Plastic pick up](#)” - 11-13 May 2018.

Items emailed to Councillors

29 Mar 5, 12,19,26 Apr	SPCA Bulletins
09.04.18	Nomination of Chairman
18.04.18	Reminder Lets Work Together - Friday 20th April
18.04.18	Localities celebration masterclass : Thursday 26 April 2018

On-going Matters

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| 1. Twentyman Playing Fields Assoc. | Cost for legal advice received. To be discussed by the finance Committee |
| 2. Parking restrictions - Carter Avenue | To be discussed with the new County Councillor, Bob Spencer. |
| 3. Electronic Banking & payment Card | Clerk and Cllr I Fieldhouse looking into this. |
| 4. Signs on the Twentyman Playing fields and Changing Room Roof | Working party set up to discuss this. |
| 5. Speeding signs on Dam Mill | Application submitted for Staffordshire Safer Road grant Funding for a Vehicle Activated Signs on Dam Mill. Codsall Parish Council have also submitted a grant request for a sign on the other side of the road. A decision should be made mid-July. |
| 6. Severn Trent – drainage | Project manager to discuss directly with Cllr P Fieldhouse which sewer the run is connected to. |
| 7. Path in memory of Cllr Robert Marshall | Approved by South Staffs Council. Exact naming of the path delegated to Cllr V Chapman subject to his widow's approval. |
| 8. Extra Lighting on Bilbrook Village Green | Extra Lighting on Bilbrook Village Green – Working party of Cllrs Barrow, Chapman, A Hill, D Hutchinson, P Hutchinson, I Fieldhouse, P Fieldhouse. Cllr D Hutchinson to lead. May Agenda item |
| 9. S Bend in front of the Woodman | To be discussed with County Councillor, Bob Spencer. Mark Keeling from Highways is looking into the proposal for keep clear lines |
| 10. Parking at Duck Lane Shops | To be discussed with County Councillor, Bob Spencer |
| 11. Resident Complaint – sewage vehicles driving over verge. | Verge re-seeded by workman |
| 12. Bollards on Bilbrook Road | Metal posts are too expensive. Awaiting quotes from South Staffs council for wooden posts. |
| 13. Removal of shrubs on the Village Green | South Staffs Council to undertake the work around June time. |
| 14. Bench on Village Green in memory of War Veteran Stan Bennett | Cllr Chapman to discuss options with Stan's widow |

Planning Applications received between meetings

Details can be found at: www.sstaffs.gov.uk/planningfiles. All applications to be reviewed at Full Council Meeting

Planning Decisions Issued by South Staffordshire Council Planning Department - None received this month

Publications Available in the Parish Office – None this month

Training Attended – SPCA Local Councillor Training – Clerk and Cllr G Burnett

Website Posts

- Various Police Community Messaging Alerts
- Weekly South Staffs Council News Community Speed Watch
- Community Speed watch poster
- Join the Great Plastic Pick Up
- Policy Surgery Bilbrook – Thurs 24th May – Cancelled