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**Minutes of a meeting of Buriton Parish Council held at Buriton Village Hall, at 7:00pm on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021.**

**Present:** Cllr D Jones (Chair), Cllr L Ashcroft, Cllr A Bray, Cllr H Coates, Cllr M Johnston, Cllr L Lloyd, Cllr S Stevens, Cllr T Wheeler, County & District Cllr Mocatta and Mrs P Norris, Clerk.

**In attendance:** There were no members of the public in attendance.

**1. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Crew.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

Declaration of interest from both Cllr Jones and Cllr Mocatta – as a Member of the South Downs National Park Authority, the Local Planning Authority for the area, I wish to make it clear that any views which I express today are based on information before me at this meeting and might change in the light of further information and/or debate at National Park meetings. This is to make it clear that I am keeping an open mind on the issues and cannot therefore be found to have predetermined any matter if it should come before me at the National Park for decision. Cllr Mocatta declared that he is a member of the South Downs National Park Authority's Planning Committee. Cllr Jones also declared that he is also a member of the South Downs Local Access Forum: a body which advises Hampshire County Council, SDNPA and others about their decisions in relation to Rights of Way and about making improvements to public access for outdoor recreation and sustainable travel. It is purely advisory and has no decision-making powers.

**3. To approve minutes from BPC meetings held on 5<sup>th</sup> May and 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021.**

The draft minutes of the meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021 were approved as a correct record and the Chairman will sign a copy for the Council's Minutes Books. **Action:** Chairman to sign. Amendments were identified for three items in the draft minutes of the meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021 (at a point in the meeting when there had been noise disturbance from activities outside the open doors on the recreation ground) relating to: standard wording for planning applications, Village Inn and Huntley Scrapyard. Changes to produce an accurate record were agreed by all who had been present on 9<sup>th</sup> June. The minutes would then be signed by the Chairman for the Council's Minutes Books. **Action:** Clerk to amend and Chairman to sign.

**4. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> May and 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021.**

- Pond Green Bridge – Matt Marriott is still planning to finish this work.
- Bank signatories: Cllrs Coates and Stevens yet to be added.
- Monks Walk: location of refuse bins for collection and contribution towards car park maintenance. Not yet agreed with residents, meeting to be arranged when possible. Cllr Lloyd confirmed that the Management Company is in place and that there are new owners of the Cart Shed. The Management Company has purchased scalplings to fill potholes on the entrance. **Action:** Cllrs Jones, Johnston and Lloyd to meet to discuss the way forward.
- BT connection to the church: not yet installed.
- Finance Committee review of insurance values for Parish Council buildings and Asset Register: still to be completed.
- Staging stored in the village hall: not yet considered by the Hall Committee.
- Proposals from Buriton School for School Meadow – further details still awaited.
- Defibrillator and BT Payphone Kiosk – Update on the agenda.
- Halls Hill Car Park: Queen Elizabeth Country Park is waiting to hear from Cllr Bray about adjustments to positions of logs if required. **Action:** Cllr Bray

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- Recreation ground car park – work on remaining potholes: update on the agenda.
- Halls Hill area: all actions taken by HCC/QECP continue to work well. Parish council monitoring continues. Capacity of car park appears adequate.
- Climate change: update on the agenda.
- Revised Code of Conduct: uploaded on the website.
- Tree near Kiln Lane entrance to recreation ground yet to be addressed by Matt Marriott.
- Vendors at Village Pond: decision from previous meeting implemented with successful outcome.
- Following the inclusion of our Dark Night Skies work in an event for parish councils, a number of enquiries have been received from other parts of the National Park and beyond. The BBC's World Service is visiting the village on 26<sup>th</sup> July to record an interview.

Cllr Jones explained that he would need to leave the meeting at some point to take part in the radio interview and that Cllr Johnston, as Vice-Chair, would conduct that part of the meeting.

### 5. Coronavirus and Chairman's Update

Cllr Jones presented a report on Buriton's ongoing response to the Coronavirus Pandemic and other updates, attached to these minutes. Main points included:

- Cllrs confirmed that (i) the Council should continue to keep available the delegation arrangements made in the early stages of the pandemic (re-affirmed on 5<sup>th</sup> May) in case Covid restrictions are reintroduced during the autumn or winter months so as to enable the Clerk to take decisions after proper consultation with the Chairman of the Council, the Vice-Chairman and the chairs of committees relevant to the decisions being taken; and (ii) that this course of action will remain in place until the crisis eases or alternative arrangements are announced by the government to supersede the need for this action.
- A list of achievements of the parish council during 2020/21 has been added to the website.
- Cllrs agreed to consider the options to recognise members of the community who have been helping other residents during the pandemic. It was thought that an event could take place next spring, possibly a tea party. Councillors were asked to think about options, ideas and about potential recipients. Funding to be considered for the budget 2022/23. Cllr Mocatta informed Cllrs that East Meon Parish Council have awarded a plaque to an individual at their annual meeting.

### 6. County and District Councillor's Reports

County and District Cllr Mocatta informed the meeting of the following:

**EHDC:**

- Are asking current providers of temporary accommodation for the homeless to continue to do so for the foreseeable future.
- A Climate Change event will be held with Damian Hinds, to encourage residents to do more. Lord Devon is the headline speaker. The event will be held at the Alton Maltings.
- Grass verges in Alton and Petersfield have been used as trial sites for looking at different ways of maintaining them, it is hoped that this will be used in other areas.

**HCC:**

- The red/white barriers are being removed in the High Street and The Square in Petersfield, but planters will be placed in parking bays, disabled parking will be provided.

### 7. Defibrillator Update

Chris Stagg, a member of the Defibrillator Group, provided a written report:

"As a team we would very much like to make use of the current phone box for locating the defib unit within. After several conversations with BT we understand that this has to be taken over by the

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Parish council it cannot be an individual or small group (like us!!) who takes it over. I have seen the message to BT from the Parish Council highlighting our interest, thank you for this.

I am under the understanding that BT will fund the running costs of the unit for the first 7 years (very minimal anyway) and we would have to undertake looking after the phone box itself. The current defib unit that has been purchased and is located currently on my garage wall is of the standard that BT require.

At this moment in time I do not know the full details of how the install is undertaken.

We would greatly appreciate the opportunity to take this further with the Parish Council undertaking to adopt the kiosk and the Defib team looking after the defib side/phone box.”

Cllrs agreed to adopt the BT Kiosk which would need to be added as an asset for insurance purposes in the future. **Action:** Clerk

### Open Forum

There were no members of the public present.

### 8. Finance and Accounts

- **Summary of reserves** – Cllrs approved the reserves but noted that £18,700 needs to be transferred from the Village Hall account to the Parish Council account to be held as part of the Village Hall Reserve. **Action:** VH Manager & Clerk.
- **Approve receipts and payments up to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 for the Parish Council** – Cllrs approved 8 receipts totalling £18,856.43 and 22 payments totalling £8,081.17.
- **Approve receipts and payments up to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 for the Village Hall** – Cllrs approved 21 receipts totalling £2,719.50 and 29 payments totalling £3,696.41.
- **Budget against performance up to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021** – Cllrs clarified a small number of queries and noted the budget against performance.
- **Approval of quotation for internal audit from Lightatouch** – Cllrs agreed to accept the quote of £410 from Lightatouch to carry out the internal audit for 2021/22.
- **Renewal of Insurance** – the insurance renewal is due 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021, this is the end of the 2 year agreement. The value of the playground equipment has been updated, the garage needs to be removed, the Commemorative Bench should be added if not already included and also possibly the BT kiosk and defibrillator. It was agreed that the revaluation of the buildings be requested. **Action:** Clerk to ask for 3 competitive quotes with one that offers a free valuation of buildings.

### 9. Village Hall and Recreation Report

The Chairman summarised points from a report which is attached to these minutes:

#### Village Hall

- There are no bad debtors.
- Cllrs agreed to carry on with the current Covid precautions.
- Two quotes have been received for filling in the potholes in the car park but it was proving very difficult to obtain a third due to the pandemic and access issues to the car park. The quotes received were £3214 + VAT and £5970 + VAT. Cllrs agreed to accept the quote from Kattenhorn & Partners LTD for £3214 + VAT. **Action:** Cllr Crew to make arrangements for the work to be done as swiftly as possible
- Cllrs agreed to investigate appropriate signage for the car parks. **Action:** Clerk.
- Network Rail are still not prepared to pay for the damage to the fence and vegetation caused by unauthorised access by their workforce to the line from the recreation ground. A tree damaged by Network Rail is a rare Chinese Elm which is specifically included in a 2011 book (“Champion Trees”) by Owen Johnson, based on surveys of “the finest

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examples of every kind of tree growing in the British Isles". Cllrs agreed that a letter be sent to Damian Hinds to ask for his help. **Action:** Cllr Jones.

- The area of grass in the recreation ground that has been left uncut is attracting positive comments from parishioners but will still need to be cut for biodiversity benefits. Cllr Johnston volunteered to make arrangements to cut it but it could be included in the grounds maintenance contract in the future. After cutting, the arisings would need to be raked away and the idea of a Community Hay-Day (with volunteers bringing rakes and wheelbarrows) was agreed.
- Changing Rooms – Several options have been put forward for the future use of the changing rooms. One is a Health & Wellbeing Hub, Cllrs agreed to invite Chris Paterson from SDNPA to the next meeting to discuss this. Cllr Johnston agreed to look at what was required for the rooms being used as an office space. **Action:** Cllr Johnston.
- The Chair thanked Cllr Lloyd for arranging for the line and internet access for the village hall.
- Missing Bin – Cllr Crew to provide clarification the position of the missing bin, check whose property it is and obtain a quote to replace if necessary. **Action:** Cllr Crew
- Cllr Wheeler informed the meeting that the bench by the play park has some broken slats, he agreed to inspect further and if required Cllr Crew to close off. **Action:** Cllrs Wheeler and Crew.
- Cllr Wheeler agreed to look at the spring on the gate to the playground. **Action:** Cllr Wheeler.

Cllr Jones left the meeting at this point for the interview with BBC World Service radio.

### 10. Planning

Cllr Johnston presented a report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

**Horse Chestnut Farm** – Buriton Parish Council has been asked to comment on a retrospective planning application for flood lights on the menage. There are several retrospective applications submitted which should be consulted on together. As the farm is on the border of the parish, the floodlights will have an implication on Dark Skies. Cllrs agreed to oppose this application due to Dark Skies and that the original planning permission was that the farm was for the owners use only.

**Village Inn** – a further letter has been received from Chris Cooper. With advice from Cllr Mocatta Cllrs agreed to thank him for the letter and that they were looking forward to meeting the management team and the pub reopening. **Action:** Cllr Johnston

Drought Management Consultation – Cllr Jones had circulated a draft response which Cllrs approved. This will be submitted. **Action:** Cllr Jones.

**Butser Quarry** – Cllr Jones had circulated a draft letter relating to the discharge of conditions. Cllrs agreed to the letter. **Action:** Cllr Jones

**SDNPA Design Guide Consultation** – Cllrs agreed that this be delegated to the Planning Committee.

**Huntleys Scrapyard** – no reply has been received from EHDC on the queries raised. Action: Clerk to chase.

Cllr Jones re-joined the meeting at this point.

### 11. SDNPA CIL Reporting

Cllr Jones had circulated a report on the CIL received, Cllrs approved this report which will be submitted. **Action:** Clerk.

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### 12. Work for Lengthsman

The new Lengthsman has commenced work in the parish. Following a query about the maintenance of the area around the War Memorial, Cllrs agreed that the vegetation should be kept short and tidy. **Action:** Clerk.

### 13. Rights of Way

Cllr Jones informed Cllrs of the following:

- Information about adverse effects of vehicular use of BOATs/Restricted Byways (including the South Downs Way itself) continue to be received from a number of parishioners. Similar issues are also being raised by a number of other parishes in East Hampshire at EHAPTC meetings and National Park events.
- HCC Rangers and SDNPA volunteers have undertaken a number of tasks in the parish in recent weeks including:
  - Cutting their way through dense brambles and scrub to reinstate the main Hangers Way footpath along The Links
  - Clearing fallen trees across the Hangers Way in the Chalk Pits Nature Reserve
  - Increasing the “shared use” signage on the same section of route to try to reduce dangers caused by cyclists on the steep downhill descent.

Cllrs discussed the work carried out the Hangers Way, the brambles are already growing back creating a trip hazard, further along the Hangers Way is still very overgrown and that people will continue to use the “alternative” path. Questions were also asked as to why this path is maintained by HCC when other paths are the farmers responsibility to maintain. It was agreed to contact HCC. **Action:** Cllr Jones.

### 14. Update on Trees, Pollinators, Biodiversity and Climate Change Initiatives

The Chairman highlighted points from a report which is attached to these minutes:

- Two groups of parishioners (including some Cllrs) have met, one to discuss the way forward with the Pollinator Project and the other Climate Change.
- A draft ‘Climate & Nature Charter’ for the Parish Council’s actions and activities had been produced and circulated. Cllrs agreed for it to be circulated more widely for reactions and comments before adopting at a future meeting. **Action:** Cllr Jones.

### 15. Queen’s Platinum Jubilee (June 2022)

Cllrs agreed to look at events to mark this celebration next year, it is hoped to form a working party with parishioners. There will be an extra Bank Holiday in June. This will be considered for the budget next year.

### 16. Correspondence

The list of correspondence received is attached to these minutes. All have been covered within the meeting.

- It was agreed to alert the South Downs Way Officer at HCC about the increase use of the way by delivery drivers. **Action:** Cllr Jones
- HCC highways have not yet responded on the Greenway Lane Development. It was agreed that this be chased up. **Action:** Cllr Jones.

### 17. Date of next meeting

- The next meeting of Buriton Parish Council is on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (subject to any legislative changes)

At the conclusion of business the meeting ended at 9.20pm.

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### Coronavirus – Chairman’s Update Report (July 2021)

Along with the rest of the country, the parish has moved to Step 4 of the ‘Roadmap out of lockdown’ although the Government states that ‘while cases are high and rising, everybody needs to continue to act carefully and remain cautious. This is why we are keeping in place key protections.’ These include: testing, isolating and quarantine arrangements; advice about face coverings and about minimising the number, proximity and duration of social contacts; and the importance of being outside or letting fresh air in.

Virtual meetings of Parish Councils (or of any Local Authorities) are no longer permissible and most legal limits on social contact have been removed: there are no longer any limits on gatherings inside and outside or on social distancing. However as cases continue to rise the government is urging caution and personal responsibility. It is still possible for people who have been fully vaccinated to catch and spread COVID-19 and we are still in the third wave of this pandemic in the UK.

For the Parish Council this probably means that we should take reasonable measures to balance the end of social contact restrictions with the ongoing COVID reality as well as our duty of care to employees and users of our premises. Councils can, for example, continue to provide hand sanitiser in buildings and for use in council meetings, ensure rooms are well ventilated (doors and windows open) and seek to maintain social distancing/ one way access where possible. It is also suggested that, in the light of a range of future uncertainties, we continue to keep available the delegation arrangements that we made in the early stages of the pandemic and which we re-affirmed on 5<sup>th</sup> May. The Council is asked to consider these matters this evening.

Up-to-date information relating to local implications of the pandemic continues to be posted on the ‘COVID-19 VIRUS’ section of the Community Website and regular update emails are still circulated to as many parishioners as possible.

In spite of the ongoing circumstances it is pleasing to note that the Parish Council has been able to continue with many wide-ranging aspects of business as reported in items elsewhere on this agenda as well as actions arising from previous Minutes. The first ‘in-person’ meeting of the Council since January 2020 was held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021 with four Parish Councillors and the Clerk meeting together and complying with ‘the rule of six’ which was still applicable at that time. It was a strange meeting with each person sat at individual desks, spaced well apart in the main hall, all wearing their face coverings and with all windows and doors wide open (with quite a bit of noise from outside on the recreation ground)! Although not ideal circumstances (it was sometimes difficult to hear clearly exactly what everyone was saying) the important business on the Agenda was all undertaken.

It has also been possible, since our Annual Meeting in May, to put the summary report of the Parish Council’s achievements during 2020/21 onto the community website. As in previous years, it is often refreshing to be reminded of the wide range of actions and activities undertaken.

We noted, at our last meeting, that Buriton’s initiatives in relation to Dark Night Skies were showcased as part of an on-line event for parish councils in April. This has led to a number of enquiries from other parts of the National Park and beyond – and the BBC’s World Service is visiting the village on 26<sup>th</sup> July to record an interview.

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**Village Hall and Recreation Report for PC Meeting: 26 July 2021**

This report provides updates on a number of matters since the last meeting of the Council and seeks views from Councillors on a number of matters:

- Our Hall Manager, Steve Franks, has continued to do an excellent job in these challenging circumstances including liaising with all prospective users, inspecting Risk Assessments as/when necessary, ensuring that the hall remains Covid-compliant, obtaining bookings from new customers and arranging for repairs, regular maintenance and servicing
- There are no bad debtors
- The 'Buriton Ducklings' child-minding service appears to be continuing successfully
- Internet access has been reinstated with BT Openreach (thanks to Cllr Lloyd)
- With the lifting of Covid restrictions regular users of the main hall are returning and other enquiries and bookings are being received
- It is proposed that the Council would want all hall users to adhere to whatever Covid advice and guidelines apply at the time of use (for the safety of all involved) but that we cannot currently see any need to apply any extra restrictions of our own. It is also suggested that we keep internal signage and amendments (hand sanitiser etc) in place for the foreseeable future as extra reassurance (although not technically required) and the Track & Trace for people to scan could also still be useful. From 19 July venues no longer need to ask people to scan the NHS QR code poster (or provide their contact details in other ways). It is, however, suggested that we should retain our QR code poster as this may help identify people who may have the virus in the future. Councillors are asked to consider these proposals and agree the way forward.
- Each of the first three months of the current Financial Year has resulted in a small deficit of costs over income but July looks more promising with a five day booking from Aspire and the first payment from the Tennis Club for the changing rooms
- Although the surplus of income over expenditure during 2020-21 has now been transferred to the Village Hall Reserve (towards the costs of our major refurbishment project) the equivalent cheque payment from the Village Hall bank account to the Parish Council bank account (agreed at the last PC Meeting) has yet to be made but will be done soon
- Andy van den Broeke continues to lead work on the project which is exploring the replacement of windows, doors, soffits etc (and is also considering work to the roof and rear stairs) and he is pursuing quotations from prospective contractors in line with documentation agreed at Parish Council Meetings
- The Changing Rooms are due to be used by the Tennis Club for the remainder of 2021/22 but the Council still needs to encourage the consideration of alternative ideas for the use of the building in the future. Articles have been included in the Parish Magazine and on the community website and have resulted in the following suggestions:
  - Could they be converted into a self-contained office with internet, toilet and kitchenette for those who wish to 'work from home', but do not have a study in their house? Is it worth asking some agencies who specialise in managing office space for information about what might be needed, likely demand and what the income from such a venture might be?
  - A great opportunity for a catering facility, however, I've decided for the time being in these uncertain times that my focus needs to be on my current outlet. Thank you for showing me around and if I can be of any assistance please don't hesitate to get in touch.
  - Market them as an artist's studio? People have been looking for space to rent in the past: all they needed was power and water. As well as a working studio they could perhaps also sell their wares from there

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- The National Park Authority may be looking for small buildings in rural villages to act as 'hubs' for 'health and well-being' activities and the Changing Rooms could be in a suitable location: with car parking, public transport links, toilet and tea/coffee facilities, close to walking routes, including short circular walks, and suitable for arts/crafts uses etc. Funding may be available to make improvements and changes to buildings (but not until the next financial year at the earliest). Chris Paterson is willing to come to the next Parish Council meeting to explain more.
- The remaining repairs to pot-holes in the village hall car park have still to be addressed
- Observations suggest that usage of the playground continues satisfactorily. Quarterly inspections now take place and Cllr Wheeler also inspects the playground on a regular basis
- Correspondence continues with Network Rail about damage caused by their contractors in the southernmost corner of the Recreation Ground: creating paths through the wild area of vegetation towards the trackside and damaging the Council's supplementary fencing so as to leave it potentially ineffective. Councillors are asked to consider next steps
- There have been positive comments about how the new Recreation Ground mowing contract is leaving swathes of longer grass at the margins for the benefit of pollinators and other wildlife. Advice received suggests that the area should be cut at least once per year (in September) and that all the cuttings should be moved elsewhere. This cutting would need to be arranged (with the current contractors or in some other way) and then there could, perhaps, be some sort of 'Community Hay-Day' later in the month to move the cuttings? Councillors are asked to consider next steps.

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### Planning Report 25th July 2021

To be read in conjunction with the minutes of the planning meeting of the 9th June 2021

#### **Update on current planning matters.**

**SDNP/21/00956/FUL.** Construction and part retention of farm track access from Horsechestnut Farm onto the Causeway (B2070), Petersfield. Application in Progress

**SDNP/20/05618/FUL** Installation of a 30m lattice telecommunications tower (and compound) at Head Down Hanger, New Barn Lane, Buriton. Application in Progress

**SDNP/21/02014/FUL** 10 residential houses at Greenway lane. Application in Progress

#### **00017/003 Removal of Payphone Kiosk.**

The Parish Council voted to allow the Payphone to be removed. A response was sent in accordance with this decision. Some issues regarding keeping the kiosk as a housing for the defibrillator have arisen. BT has already issued a removal notice and it is unclear if there'll be time to make the arrangement for the defibrillator before it has been removed.

**SDNP/21/02169/CND** Substitution of plans for new dwelling at Cobwebs, North Lane. Application in Progress.

**SDNP/21/01479/REM** Reserved matters pursuant to application SDNP/17/05563/OUT for one detached family dwelling  
High Banks North Lane Buriton Petersfield GU31 5RS. Application in Progress

**SDNP/21/02983/TCA** 04a - Portuguese Laurel -remove decayed stem, 11 - Horse Chestnut - Fell, 21 Sycamore - Fell, 23 Sycamore - Fell, 40 Honey Locust - cut back southern spread to clear trampoline, 41 Beech - reduce height to 2m, 46 Handkerchief Tree - prune to remove sub-dominant developing leader, 54 Field Maple - reduce height to 4m and spread to 2.5m, 61 Monterey Cypress - remove northern low branches to 4m  
The Old Rectory High Street Buriton Petersfield GU31 5RX. Application in progress

**SDNP/21/02979/HOUS** Front and rear dormers to existing loft conversion.  
35 Glebe Road Buriton Petersfield GU31 5SD. Application in progress

**SDNP/21/03220/DCOND** Discharge of Conditions 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 24 and 27 of Planning Approval SDNP/20/01535/FUL.  
Butser Hill Lime Works Ltd Butser Hill Buriton Petersfield Hampshire GU31 5BQ. Application in progress.

#### **Other items under discussion:**

Current situation at the Village Inn.

The drought management consultation.

SDNPA design guide

Maggie Johnston

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### Trees, Pollinators, Biodiversity and Climate Change Report to Parish Council meeting (July 2021)

Hampshire County Council continues to experience delays in launching the Pollinator Project for which this parish has been selected as one of six Pilot Parishes: to explore low cost actions to improve the local environment for pollinating species alongside increasing general awareness about pollinator issues to help people take action locally to make a difference. It is hoped that, in Buriton, the initiative could be extended beyond pollinators into something to promote greater awareness and understanding of nature more widely (biodiversity loss etc) and to connect with other important issues such as climate change, health & wellbeing and changing other behaviours such as reducing littering, dog fouling etc.

The ongoing delays mean that the **Pollinator Project** cannot really commence work but some actions have recently taken place here including:

- Two meetings of volunteers have been held (suitably socially distanced) in the garden of the Five Bells on 8 June and 13 July – primarily focused on making plans for activities at the Village Show on 7 August which has adopted the theme of pollinators. Although there was a good attendance in June (8 parishioners as well as 4 Parish Councillors) there were only 2 parishioners at the meeting in July (and the 4 Parish Councillors)
- Steve Peach (HCC) attended the meeting in July and was very impressed with the ideas for activities at the Village Show – at which it is hoped to engage a much wider interest etc
- A four-page (centre-pages) insert was included in the most recent edition of the Parish Magazine providing background information and opportunities to take part
- It is also hoped to generate interest via new social media sites created for the Buriton initiative
- Children at Buriton School have produced artwork about pollinators for the village show
- In addition to planting new trees on the recreation ground, the parish council's mowing contract has been revised so as to leave significant swathes of longer grass at the margins along Kiln Lane and the railway embankment for the benefit of pollinators and other wildlife. A number of positive comments have been received about this but advice suggests that the area should be cut at least once per year (in September) and that all the cuttings should be removed. Cutting would need to be arranged (with the current contractors or in some other way) and then there could, perhaps, be some sort of 'Community Hay-Day' later in the month to move the cuttings
- We continue to try to liaise with HCC and EHDC officers about their verge-cutting regimes and are hoping that the parish can be included in a pilot project with Petersfield. Cllr Mocatta is trying to ensure that this happens.

As a result of the presentation and discussion about **Climate Change** at the special Parish Council meeting in May, some volunteers have subsequently met (on 29 June), suitably socially distanced in the garden of the Five Bells, as follows:

- It was recognised that climate change could affect future life in Buriton in a wide range of ways: more storms, periods of drought, fires affecting farmland, effects on nature and changes in population movement as sea levels rise which could lead to more houses on land in the parish
- Responses to these challenges will require both mitigation (taking actions to reduce the severity of climate change and adaptation (adjusting to live in new conditions)
- The group identified some potential next steps with a focus on domestic measures and transport
- Ideas included: seeing if thermal imaging equipment could be borrowed so that households could find out how they could save energy costs; sharing expertise that already exists in the parish (including homes which have already installed energy saving measures); showing

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electric vehicles on the recreation ground; considering some sort of event to help people identify grants and subsidies; circulating examples of useful websites; helping the school and the parish council take more actions (including a potential Parish Council Charter).

Both initiatives have relatively small groups of volunteers at this stage (and no emerging champions or leaders) but it is hoped that momentum will gradually grow.

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### Correspondence

Date	Details	Sender
6.5.21	Spraying of verges	Mel & Andrew Young
6.5.21	Removal of the telephone kiosk	Nicky Harrison
6.5.21	Use of the telephone kiosk for the defibrillator	Barbara Muir
13.5.21	Fly tipping, New Barn Lane	Kelly Barrow
14.5.21	Village Inn	Chris Cooper
18.5.21	Hog Roast response to no permission to trade at the pond	Simply Hog Roast
18.5.21	Halls Hill Car Park: the new signs and rubbish bin will not be adequate	Jamie Lister
19.5.21	Positive feedback on wild areas and tree planting on recreation ground	Mel & Andrew Young
19.5.21	Complaint about off-road vehicles 'playing' off BOATs	Wendy Wolfe
20.5.21	Copy of email to SDNPA re Greenway Planning Application	Tim Kemp
22.5.21	Requesting an update on phone box removal	Barbara Muir
23.5.21	Complaint about dangerous speed of motorised vehicles on BOAT	Sarah Massey
24.5.21	Horse Chestnut Farm planning application	Greg Enjin
1.6.21	Defibrillator and BT Phone Box	Barbara Muir
2.6.21	Response to queries relating to highways re Greenway Lane development	HCC
2.6.21	Huntleys Scrapyard	Michelle Bradley
5.6.21	Thank you for donations	Rev Bee, St Mary's Church
6.6.21	Idea for the changing rooms	Caroline Gray
8.6.21	Hedge on green by pond	Tony Caplen
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25.6.21	Response re Village Inn	Chris Cooper
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28.6.21	Consultation: Design Guide SPD	SDNPA
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1.7.21	Reply re damage to rec and fencing	Network Rail
8.7.21	Asking why village sign was moved to Kiln Lane in 2008	Jamie Lister
12.7.21	Adoption of phone kiosk	Sarah Wheeler, EHDC
14.7.21	Adoption of phone kiosk	BT
14.7.21	Fishing at Buriton Pond – signs	Tony Caplen
15.7.21	Copy of complaint to HCC about use of South Downs Way Restricted Byway by delivery vans	Hilary Myers
16.7.21	Village Inn	Chris Cooper
16.7.21	Shed Marsh Mead	Sovereign HA
16.7.21	Report about 4x4's and enduro bikes in	Wendy Wolfe

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25.7.21	Update from Defibrillator team	Chris Stagg

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