

Chairman's Report

2017 - 18

Planning applications - total of 17. This included several applications for West Down Farm and an extensive application for work on Poyntington Manor.

At the request of the Parish Council, WDDC and Natural England obtained the necessary licence and laid pipes for the badgers under Underdown Lane, making the route safe for pedestrians and riders once more.

The Dorset County Council Traffic Team listened to the concerns of the Parish Council and agreed to properly consider horse riders when finalising the new one way system at Sheeplands in Sherborne.

A report by the Castleton Rights of Way Officer found that the footpaths and bridleways are in good condition and any problems are being speedily rectified by the Dorset Rangers.

The Parish Council made a local farmer aware that residents in Goathill were not happy about the amount of slurry being left on the roads. The farmer responded positively and the situation improved.

At the request of residents, the Parish Council has been liaising with SSE about power interruptions in Poyntington. Unfortunately it has not been possible to find a conclusive solution.

The Parish Council is in the process of adopting the redundant telephone kiosk in Poyntington. The new use for the kiosk is yet to be determined.