Burton Bradstock Parish Council

7 October 2015

Agenda Item 10

Cliff Road Field Entrances South of Cliff Farm

This report deals with the entrances to the fields on Cliff Road to the south of Cliff Farm.

The Parish Council owns the land south of the entrance to Cliff Farm between the road and the field wall to the west of the road, which has been left to nature except for a rough pathway. Wooden posts adjacent to the road are intended to prevent parking on the land. Some of these posts are in disrepair or missing, and parking has started to occur on the PC's land.

There are double yellow lines on the west side of the road throughout and on the east side to just south of the entrance to Cliff Farm. The eastern side of the road is a popular parking place. The fields to the east and south of Cliff Farm to the west are owned by the National Trust and are leased out.

The issue is that farm vehicles entering the NT's fields often need a wider sweep than the entrance ways permit. In respect of the entrance to the western field, some of the wooden posts to the north of the entrance are missing and the adjacent Parish Council land has become rutted and is puddled/muddy in wet weather.

I have met with the National Trust's Ranger, Rowan Thompson, to attempt to resolve the situation. We propose that:

- 1. The entrance to the western field is widened, the National Trust taking on maintenance of part of the PC's land to provide this, which it will undertake to maintain to a reasonable standard see attached sketch map.
- 2. The NT provides new wooden posts to match existing (about 20 in all) for the PC to install to prevent parking on the verges.

To improve access to the eastern field the NT has requested that the PC promotes double yellow lines from the entrance to the eastern field extending north for about 4 metres. The Parish Council's views are requested.

Councillor Graham Moody 2 October 2015

