

EAST BUDLEIGH with BICTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the East Budleigh with Bicton Parish Council Meeting held on 25th October 2022 in the Village Hall

RISK ASSESSMENT BY CLERK – All checked

PRESENT Cllr. John Tresidder, Cllr Derek Wensley (Chair), Cllr Angie Canning, Cllr. Kathy Moyle, Cllr. Louis Allan and Cllr. Jim Carter, District Councillors Alan Dent and Tom Wright

APOLOGIES: County Councillor Christine Channon, District Councillor Paul Jarvis, Cllr. Mike Smith and Cllr Heather Houston

The **MINUTES** of the Parish Council meeting held on 27th September 2022 were approved.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - none. Cllr. Wensley pointed out that persons may still comment on planning applications even if they know the persons applying. They should declare an interest and potentially not participate if there is a very close relationship or financial or personal interest with the application or applicant.

County Councillor's Report – Cllr. Channon is still chasing Highways to urgently clear blocked drains in the Village. She provided details of correspondence concerning the AONB and the need to protect water quality along the Jurassic Coast World Heritage Site

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT – Cllr. Dent said parking would be £2.00 for all day during the Winter season, with tickets interchangeable at any EDDC carpark. He reported that work has started to create a 70metre gap and footbridge on the west side of Lyme Kiln carpark. The new embankment road will be completed by April 2023 and the Cricket Club will be ready for us by Summer 2023.

Cllr. Wright said there will be a larger replacement pipe to cope with the increased outflow behind the shingle embankment. He reported EDDC voted to return to live meetings for all decision-making by the Council. Other meetings may still be held via Zoom.

Cllr. Carter raised the need for strong replacement handrails and improved lighting around All Saints Church. Cllr. Canning endorsed this. The Clerk will enquire about their plans for improvement and the costs involved.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Cllr. Carter volunteered to be the Parish Council representative for the All Saints Church “East Budleigh Fund in Need”

Footpaths: Cllr. Wensley presented a statement on potential footpaths. See attached report. All formally acknowledged and accepted the report. Clinton Devon Estates are discussing potential areas where they might assist.

Local Plan: Cllr. Wensley highlighted key features. There may be a new town between the A30 to A376 on the east side of Exeter for potentially 2,500 homes by 2040, plus 500 homes at Topsham. This is likely to mean less development in our AONB, except for modest development to meet local needs sustainably. This means our rural area including Budleigh is less likely to have forced development. However, EDDC still do not have sufficient 5 year supply of land. A consultation will begin on 7th November 2022. The Draft Plan of 304 pages will be placed on the Parish Council website. Cllr. Carter pointed out the $\frac{3}{4}$ of the land in our area is owned by CDE.

Cllr. Wright said a drop-in meeting will take place on 15th November 2022 from 1.00 to 8.00pm at Oceansuite, Exeter. This is to give the public an opportunity to discuss their concerns. Councillor Wensley said Sue Cooper is interpreting and preparing a summary on proposed changes in our area including changes to the settlement boundary. This can be discussed by the PC and then promoted via the Parish News. Councillors **all agreed** to discuss Ms. Cooper’s draft via email; views to be collated by Cllr. Wensley in order to meet December Parish Magazine timescale.

REPORTS

Chair: Budleigh Traffic Group: Cllr. Wensley attend a zoom meeting on behalf of Cllr. Houston. Budleigh Town is keen to develop the footpath between Budleigh and East Budleigh into a foot and cycle path. Cllr. Moyle pointed out that more maintenance was required to make it accessible.

Salem Chapel: Cllr. Wensley presented the attached email from Historic Chapels. A newly formed entity will administer received funds to repair or repurpose chapels. Cllr. Moyle said the Salem Chapel needs urgent protection.

Cllr. Canning said the **Sir Walter Raleigh community pub** is introducing a regular “Warm Room” meeting-place, to counter loneliness and isolation. Funding for free drinks and cake will be met by EDDC. The Clerk will write to confirm the PC’s support for the project. Cllr. Dent said Colaton Raleigh Parish Council have set up a similar scheme and Veterans can meet in Peter Hall, Budleigh.

Clerk. The Clerk reported that the **Speed Indicator Device** is now up and working in Yettington. A video for **defibrillator training** has now been placed on the PC website. An electrician is checking the **light in the Car Park**. A volunteer group, run by Ernie Barnes, will tidy up the **public carpark** on 31st October 2022. There is a new **Public Space Protection Order** for dogs on and near beaches.

A request was received from Stan Roberts of the **Roger Conant Society** to incorporate his name below “Sir Walter Raleigh” on the road sign entering East Budleigh from Yettington. **All were in favour.** The Clerk will investigate costs, which the Society plans to pay.

A resident, Christine Hadley has contacted the **Telecoms company**, who will replace the dead tree on the Nature Trail.

A reminder that the **King’s coronation** will be on May 6th. Preparations for a celebration will be needed nearer the time.

Parish Pathways: Jon Roseway submitted the attached report. He will also attend to minor strimming on the Recreation field.

Shop, Village Hall, Climate Change: Cllr. Tresidder submitted a report – available on the website. No problems identified. He has been able to cut The Pound.

Village Hall: Cllr. Allan submitted the attached report. The Village Hall faces challenges and is increasing the cost of hiring and trying to increase its attractiveness.

Cllr. Moyle attended a Community Workshop at Seachange and submitted a report. There is a problem in identifying those in need or isolated. The “Warm Room” project will help.

Cricket Club: Cllr. Carter said there will be an Open Meeting on 11th November 2023 at St. Peter’s Hall to inform people of developments.

LORP: As the project comes to an end Cllr. Carter expressed the desire for a clear transition. Cllr. Wright said this would happen between the Environment Agency, the Landowner and the Pebble Bed Heath Trust (Sam Bridgewater). There is a small planning application in to alter one of the paths by 8 degrees to the Northwest. Cllr. Cater said it would be important to continue community involvement.

Planning: An application was received re White Friars, Oakhill ref 22/2294/FUL.

All Agreed to submit this recommendation: “The front facia of the extension would blend better if it matched the main house and garage. This is not as shown in the proposed drawing, but there is a confusing sentence in the Planning Statement regarding this.

It is noted that the new garage with two rooflights now abuts the Western boundary directly, which may or may not compromise the boundary and light / privacy for the neighbouring property.

The two rooflights shown on the main house principal South facing roof facia may be better on the rear roof facia for aesthetical reasons and with a view to compromising potential solar panel installation.”

Accounts and Finances: All bills and financial records were approved.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm

Date of Next Meeting 21st November 2022 in the Village Hall