

EAST BUDLEIGH with BICTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the East Budleigh with Bicton Parish Virtual Council Meeting held on Tuesday 27th October 2020

PRESENT: Councillors D. Wensley (Chair), J. Tresidder, J. Shaw, M. Walters, J. Carter (briefly), F. Ward. District Councillor T. Wright & P. Jarvis. Apologies from M. Smith, District Cllr. Alan Dent and County Councillor C. Channon.

The Clerk announced that Councillors had voted to accept the application to become a Councillor from Heather Houston. She was duly co-opted to the Council.

The **MINUTES** of the Virtual Council Meeting held on 29th September 2020 were approved by all.

There were no **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

District Councillor Tom Wright reported that recycling of plastic had increased, Additional staff were taken on to deal with collections. If there is a future lock-down, the recycling depots will remain open.

District Councillor Paul Jarvis reported that he was involved with “Action on Poverty”. Hardship in rural areas was being overlooked.

MATTERS ARISING from the previous Minutes: None

PLANNING: A discussion took place, on the LORP proposal. Cllr. Wensley provided notes for discussion. Assisting the discussion was Sam Bridgewater of CDE and Mike Williams from the Environment Agency. Councillor Channon had sent a recommendation for a traffic impact assessment. Council raised concerns about traffic, flooding and the need for benches. Detailed recommendations to be uploaded to the planning portal.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

1. **Telephone Box.** Cllr. Tresidder reported three options had been suggested – a Museum & information for walkers, a Book Exchange or a Seed Swap. He will bring costings and more detail to the next meeting.
2. **Use of Public Noticeboards.** A detailed policy on fly posting and the use of public notice boards was approved
3. **NHP Community Actions.** CA 6,14,16: The Clerk has added a page to the Parish Council website, for community information. Cllr. Ward will investigate the potential wildlife corridor development from the path off Middletown Lane.

4. **Section 106 Grant:** The Clerk reported that a ball hoop, climbing rope and football net are to be placed on the village playground, using funds from our Amenity Grant. The Hall is now in direct contact with the fundholders to take this forward. Cllr. Mike Smith had provided costings of about £500.00 for insertion of a second gate on the footpath into Vicarage Lane, to be addressed later in the year.
5. **Toilet Refurbishment:** Council agreed to accept the quotation from Skinners for £5350.00, to commence in January.
6. **Toilet Closure:** Council agreed to reduced cleaning throughout December, then closure of the toilets until 1st April 2021. Cleaning South West to be approached to provide cleaning of one hour per week- day from 1st April 2020
7. **Nature Trail:** Council agreed the approximate costings and the plans for development of the trail. A written report was provided. All approved.

REPORTS:

1. **Chair** – Nothing further to report
2. **Recreation & Dog Forum.** Nothing to report
3. **Parish Paths** Nothing to report
4. **Village Hall/Shop/Police Committee/Climate Emergency.** Cllr. Tresidder provided a report. He is still in talks with DCC about electric charging points. The Village Hall is operating under restrictive measures for some groups.
5. **Traffic Calming:** Cllr. Walters confirmed talks are continuing with Emma Stamp and the Highways authority. A speed test showed no-one exceeding the 30mile limit. Ideas being considered are:
 - i. Extension of double-yellow lines in Lower Budleigh
 - ii. Removal of 2 car parking spaces
 - iii. Double-yellow lines at the corner of Brookfield Road
 - iv. A ban on daytime parking in Lower Budleigh
 - a) Bicton Arena now put Notices out in Otterton to warn of coming events.
 - b) The Clerk reported County Cllr. Channon had contacted the Site Contractor at Otterton to discuss ways and means of discouraging lorries driving through Yettington.
 - c) **Emergency Plans:** Cllr. Walters asked for assistance in identifying those who might be in need at Christmas, so that some form of comfort could be offered, using our Prompt Action Fund.
6. **Cllr. Carter** provided written comments on LORP which had been circulated to members. He also raised questions on the FAB link, which will need investigating.

Planning

20/2008/FUL: The majority of Councillors rejected this application

20/2201/FUL: Councillors voted to accept this proposal

20/2158: Councillors voted to reject the application

All remarks will be available on the Planning Portal

Monthly Transactions: All invoices were approved. Councillors noted the cost of living rise and agreed to an additional day's holiday for the Clerk.

Financial Statements: All were approved.

**The meeting closed at 9.25 pm
The next meeting will be on 24th November 2020**