

EAST BUDLEIGH with BICTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the East Budleigh with Bicton Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 29 October 2019 in the Village Hall, East Budleigh.

PRESENT

Cllrs

M Smith
M Walters
Valerie Lister
P Barnard

J Carter
Mrs P Hayman (V. Chair)
D Wensley

District councillors P Jarvis, A Dent and T Wright and Cty Cllr C Channon.
7 members of the public were present.

Before the meeting began the Chair (Valerie Lister) reported that she would be resigning as Chair with effect from 31 December 2019. A new Chair will be elected at the January 2020 meeting.

PUBLIC CONTRIBUTIONS:

It has been proposed and agreed that members of the public be allowed to speak for **3 minutes** at the beginning of the meeting. This time scale will run to a maximum of 30 minutes, therefore allowing 10 people to speak. This will bring EBBPC in line with other town/parish councils. Members of the public wishing to speak on an Agenda item are requested to inform the clerk no later than 28 October 2019. It should be noted that this is **NOT** a question and answer session, it simply provides a vehicle for the public to make the council aware of views of the public before discussing Agenda items.

The clerk had received no applications to speak.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received from Cllr Ms S Miller.
2. **MINUTES:** The Minutes of the September meeting were confirmed and were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Vice Chair.
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & RISK ASSESSMENT:** There were no declarations of Interest.

Risk Assessment was given by the Chair.

4. **COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORT:** Cty Cllr Channon reported that the bridge wall opposite the Rolle Arms had been repaired. She also said that Brick Cross is in the process of being repaired. Cllr Channon gave a brief account of the history of Brick Cross dating back to 1743.

5. **DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT:**

Cllr Dent – Cllr Dent commented that increased parking charges were being proposed. A consultation will take place before a final review.

Cllr Jarvis – Over 11,000 residents have signed up for the green waste service. As of the end of September 11,126 bins have been sold, this equates to £534,048 income.

The rent collection figure for September 2019 is 99.82% which is an increase on previous months and represents excellent performance by the Rental team, especially in light of the Universal Credit on the system and our customers.

Cllr Wright – No report.

6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

Capital update

ACTION

Play

The trampoline project had been shown to be unaffordable. The next highest priority items (climbing nets/rope climbing) are already in place in some form on the village green. Liaison with EDDC will continue to find a possible solution.

Sport

The Football Club has still not responded to the 5-a-side goals being located behind the tennis court. CDE will be contacted to see what possibilities exist for extending the rec lease and what costs may be involved.

Open Spaces

Following the signage theme as being one of the options from consultation, it has been suggested, in conjunction with EDDC Heritage representatives, that an East Budleigh Heritage Signage project could be pursued. Liaison will take place with Jackie Best (EDDC) to see how this project could be taken forward.

CIL

The second tranche of £1,055 had been received. Options for spend are already available and will be considered over future months.

Bus Shelter Access Improvement

ACTION – The Chair had received no further information regarding plans, insurance details etc for the alterations to the bus shelter. She will contact Mr Taunton for any details available.

7. **MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED**

Speeding in Frogmore Lane – Two residents from Frogmore Lane spoke of their concerns regarding speeding cars using the road from Sleep Cottage to the

cross road junction opposite the Rolle Arms. It was thought that this was used as a “rat run” by local residents and also used extensively by holidaymakers/visitors. Residents asked if an “Access Only” sign could be put up but signage of this kind would need official enforcement.

ACTION – Cllr Channon will pursue a solution for this ongoing problem.

**8. PLANNING – Cllr D Wensley
Applications to be considered.**

	Plan no. & Type	Location	Proposed Development
8.1	19/2229/TRE	Providence Cottage, Bear Lane, BS	Fell Maple to facilitate extension building work. Due to the previous approval in 2018 of large-scale felling and replacement of trees covered by TPO on site, it is considered that the current application to fell one maple, which is not visible from Bear Lane, is best dealt with by EDDC tree officer.
8.2	19/1985/FUL	Ferndown, Middletown Lane, EB	Retention of boundary fence. The East Budleigh Neighbourhood Plan (NP) policy regarding hedgerow frontages is in favour of green vegetation for character and biodiversity reasons. Loss of hedges has an adverse impact. References in the NP are: 11.8 page 56, Policy N1(a) page 57, 12.14 page 70, 12.16(ii) page 71, 12.20 page 73, Policy B3 (e) page 74.

Decisions from EDDC to planning applications

Reference	Location	EDDC Decision
19/1403/FUL	Brookside Cottage, Dalditch Lane, Budleigh Salterton	Awaiting a decision
19/1972/TRE	East Budleigh Botanical Gardens	Approved with conditions
19/1521/MFUL	Land North of South Farm Cotts. BS	Awaiting a decision.
19/1985/FUL	Ferndown, Middletown Lane, EB	Awaiting a decision

19/2229/TRE	Providence Cottage, Bear Lane, BS	Awaiting a decision
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9. REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES

Chair – No report.

Clerk – The clerk reported that a decision regarding the possible removal/purchase of the telephone box opposite the Village Hall had not yet been reached. A new door has been fitted to the VR post box in Yettington and is now in use. Details for the Remembrance Day service (Sunday, 10th November) will be on display on the Notice Board. Devon Air Ambulance are seeking volunteers for their charity shops. This appeal will be entered in the parish magazine.

Recreation Ground – No report.

Parish Paths Partnership – No report.

Drakes School – No report.

Village Hall – Cllr Mike Walters has volunteered to act as the parish council representative at the Village Hall meetings.

East Budleigh Dog owners Forum – No report.

Public conveniences – In a good and clean condition.

Flood Warden – Cllr Walters reported: I had a really productive meeting with the Environment Agency Flood Resilience Adviser last week, and am attending a Devon Community Resilience workshop in Plymouth tomorrow.

I complete my ‘Being a good councillor’ training on 11th November and will then be better placed, during our November meeting, to provide councillors with a clear path to conclude our village resilience plan work.

At present, I aim to hold a Community Engagement event during February 2020, with finalised Resilience Plan being brought to Council for adoption next March. In the meantime, I will seek costs for Personal Protective equipment; 10 hi vis jackets and 10 head torches, to keep our Community Response Team volunteers safe if called into action. I will also cost ‘Road Flooded’ signs and meet with Chantelle Majors from the police to agree use of the signs and any training needed.

Any Other Reports – Cllr Wensley had attended 3 seminars in October and gave a summary of each:

- Neighbourhood Planning held at EDDC headquarters.
- Planning Workshop for Parish Councils held at Hatherleigh, organised by CPRE.
- East Budleigh Heritage Pilot Project held in the village hall and organised by EDDC. A summary has already been received by the Clerk. It was noted that an East Budleigh Conservation Appraisal Report was produced in 1999 and this was to be updated by the pilot project. Full details of the East Budleigh Heritage Project are available in the parish council files.

A councillor commented that there had been severe disruption over the weekend involving a large horse box becoming stuck in Yettington on the way to Bicton Arena.

10. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCES

The clerk gave out the monthly cash statement and report. She asked for several cheques to be passed for signature. They were proposed, seconded and carried. Cllr Hayman carried out a bank reconciliation and found it to be satisfactory.

October 2019 – Bills for payment

		Cheque No.
• North Devon Clerk’s salary & expenses	£854.10	1078
• East Budleigh village hall hire – Sept.	£ 24.00	1079
• Cllrs course – D Wensley	£ 10.00	1080
• J Lumsden – stationery	£ 7.04	1081
• Value House stores – plants	£ 38.83	1082
Total	£ 933.97	

11. CORRESPONDENCE

A synopsis of correspondence, magazines and brochures received and not covered elsewhere on the Agenda was received and read out. The clerk suggested that councillors who were interested in any of the correspondence should take it away to read and return it to the clerk at a later date.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

12. TOPICS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

(Maximum half an hour) – Please note no decisions may be made, but matters may be discussed which involve no more than an exchange of information.

- A resident suggested that the Interpretation Board in the car park could be updated
- The sign outside Holly Tree Cottage giving information could be updated
- The track beside the B3178 beside Pulhayes Farm, which is used by members of the public has not been cleared and people with pushchairs or mobile scooters have difficulty using it.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – This meeting will take place at **7.30pm** on Tuesday, 26 November 2019 in East Budleigh Village Hall.

SignedChairman Date