Report from Heather Houston

1. Recreation Ground New Gate - The progress of this has stumbled. After consultation with the PROW officer for EDDC, they proposed they would be unlikely to want to see a secondary gate added, and so approval would be on the ground of removing the existing gate adjacent to the highway. CDE alongside myself agree that if we are to only have one gate, we should retain the existing on the grounds of H&S of minors taking priority over dog control.

2. Highway matters - A meeting has finally been arranged between myself and EDDC's Emma Stamp for 16th June. Matters to discuss seem to be increasing but now stand at The Pound area, Middletown Lane large vehicles, bridge impact at the junction of Lower Budleigh and East Budleigh Road, general speed limits and the road restriction and right of way on Lower Budleigh. Any other matters please let me know.

In terms of the Community Speedwatch, I have now set up an account with the CSW organisation and completed the initial online training. Secondary in person training is to be scheduled by the local police officers. Councillor John Shaw has proposed some possible members and when confirmed I will look to canvass the neighbourhood (noticeboards/WhatsApp group).

As always, the Budleigh Salterton Traffic Group meet just before our meeting, so I will not have an update there, if any, until later today.