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Major Improvements to Fore Street and High Street Welcomed

Budleigh Salterton Town Council has welcomed the completion of resurfacing works on Fore Street and High Street, following a prolonged period during which residents and businesses experienced deteriorating road surfaces and persistent potholes.

The works have significantly improved the condition of two of the town's most important roads, enhancing safety, accessibility and the overall appearance of the town centre for residents, businesses and visitors alike.

The Council wishes to thank all those who played a part in securing these improvements. Particular recognition is due to the Budleigh Salterton Traffic and Transport Group for its tireless efforts in raising highway concerns and advocating for improvements on behalf of the community. The Group's ongoing work continues to make an important contribution to local transport, road safety and accessibility issues across the town.

The Council also extends its gratitude to Emma Sampson, Devon Highways' Highway Neighbourhood Officer for Exmouth and the Budleigh Coast, whose support and commitment were instrumental in bringing these much needed works forward.

Many residents took the time to report concerns about the condition of the roads, while local organisations including Budleigh Information Centre and Shop Budleigh also highlighted the need for action. Their collective efforts helped ensure that the issue remained firmly on the agenda.

Special thanks are also due to County Councillor Nick Hookway for his constructive engagement and willingness to listen to the concerns of residents, community groups and the Town Council throughout the process.

While there will always be further improvements to consider, Budleigh Salterton has seen a significant enhancement to its road network in recent months. The completion of these works represents another positive step forward and demonstrates the benefits that can be achieved when residents, community organisations, elected representatives and highway officers work together to improve the town.

The attached photographs illustrate the substantial improvement that has been delivered and the positive impact these works will have for all who live, work and visit Budleigh Salterton.

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Photography Credit: Melyn Moon Photography

**Fore Street & High Street - Budleigh Salterton
Potholes gone, yellow lines reinstated.**



Photography Credit: Melyn Moon Photography

Location: High Street / Fore Street Budleigh Salterton

Photo from R to L: Members of the Budleigh Salterton Traffic & Transport Group plus representatives from Shop Budleigh

Co Cllr Nick Hookway, Cllr Penny Lewis (Budleigh Salterton Town Council), Alan Tilbury (Budleigh Information Centre (BIC)), Alice Gater-Wildgust – Town Clerk, District Cllr Charlotte Fitzgerald, Bob Wiltshire (Otter Valley Association), Emma Sampson, Devon Co Council Highways Neighbourhood Officer, Helen Warren (BIC), Jen Mills (Shop Budleigh), Sarah Coles (BIC)



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