



Budleigh Salterton Town Council

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You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the Foreshore & Footpaths Committee which will be held in the Council Offices, Station Road, Budleigh Salterton on Monday 8 June on the rising of the Public Hall Committee. The Agenda is set out below.

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AGENDA

1. Public Speaking Time (15 minutes max)

Members of the public are invited to address the Committee.

- Each individual person exercising the right to speak during this public time is restricted to speaking for a total of 3 minutes.
- Any questions put to the Committee must be put through the Chairman.
- The Chairman has the right and discretion to control speaking time to avoid disruption, repetition and to make best use of the meeting time.

2. To receive any Apologies for Absence

3. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

Members are required to declare any interests they may have in relation to items on the agenda and to agree any necessary dispensations in order to remain and participate. Guidance for councillors on making declarations of interest is available online via the BSTC [Code of Conduct](#). *You must also declare any gifts/hospitality you have accepted in excess of £25.*

4. Minutes

To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Foreshore & Footpaths Committee held on 9 March 2026.

5. Chair's Report

To receive the Chair's report.

6. Seafront Benches

To note that the works by BSTC's contractor are almost completed. Thanks to Cllr Chaplin to reviewing the works and confirming that this was completed to a good standard. It is noted that any minor repairs will be completed by EDDC retrospectively, over the coming months. EDDC have been requested to replace the bench at the top of Steamer Steps that was removed by them last year. Additionally, there is a second vacant spot at the top of Steamer Steps and EDDC are working to establish is another memorial bench can be relocated to here.

7. Abandoned Boats

EDDC had agreed to allow a six week grace period from 1.4.26 for all vessel owners to get their licencing in order. The following information has been requested from EDDC and pending at time of writing:

- What action has now been taken to contact the known owners of unlicensed vessels on Budleigh Salterton Beach?
- What budget has been allocated for the removal of abandoned vessels on Budleigh Beach, with no known owner?

8. Foreshore Path Signage

To discuss the signage audit conducted c5.5.26. (Supporting papers).

9. Maintenance of Cliff face between Rockfish and 50 Degrees

Proposed by Steve Cook

10. EDDC Seafront Schedule

To note that EDDC oversee the whole of the sea front on a rotating cycle. BSTC have three contractors who complete works across the whole of the town, primarily in areas that have no known 'owner' and also ad hoc works on the seafront, as required.

11. Madeira Walk maintenance plan

Please note that this public right of way is maintained by Devon County Council, who has confirmed that the route is not normally subject to significant overgrowth. However, there is an element of overlap in maintenance activities, as BSTC's contractors undertake vegetation management in this area. To avoid duplication of effort and ensure the most effective use of public funds, an agreement has been reached whereby Devon County Council will carry out a comprehensive annual clearance each June, while BSTC will continue to manage routine vegetation growth throughout the remainder of the year.

It should also be noted that there is no known private owner of this lane. Devon County Council's role is limited to maintaining the public right of way and ensuring it remains accessible. Responsibility for the general upkeep or management of the surrounding land does not rest with the County Council.

12. Road Warden scheme

A proposal is required for consideration by full council. This was discussed at the Traffic Group recently and it was agreed that a report would be brought forward.

13. Jubilee Shelter

To note that consideration will be given to the appointment of a contractor at the full town council meeting in June, to carry out remedial works on the shelter

14. Cliff Fall Warning Signs

To consider whether, in light of continuing cliff falls in the area past Steamer Steps, the Committee wishes to recommend that Full Council request East Devon District Council (EDDC) to install warning signage advising the public of the risks.

15. Terms of Reference (ToR)

To review ToR and review date to May 2027 (Supporting Papers).

16. Annual Parish Meeting

To review the community responses received at the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) and to consider what, if any, matters could be actioned by the Foreshores and Footpaths Committee (Supporting Papers).

17. Issues and Opportunities

To discuss priorities for the next twelve months

18. Blue Flag

To discuss any plans to regain this

19. Any Other Business at the Chair's Discretion

NB!! No decisions may lawfully be made under this Agenda item.

Foreshore and Footpaths

Cllr S Cook (Chair) Cllr A Chaplin

Cllr P Manfield

Cllr G Woodcraft