

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Budleigh Salterton Traffic Group held online via Zoom on Tuesday 23 March 2021 at 2.00pm.

PRESENT

Cllr A L Jones (Chairman)
Cllr A F Chaplin
Cllr Mrs M P Lewis
Cllr Mrs C A Sismore-Hunt
Cllr H Houston (East Budleigh with Bicton Parish Council)
County Cllr Mrs C Channon
District Cllr A J Dent
E Stamp (Devon County Council Neighbourhood Highways Officer)
A Tilbury (Chamber of Commerce)
G Maddaford (Otter Valley Association)

Secretary: Mrs J E Vanstone

465. Apologies for Absence

None, all Members being present.

466. Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Traffic Group held online via Zoom on 19 January 2021 had been circulated prior to the Meeting. It was unanimously agreed they be signed as a true record.

467. Matters Arising from the Last Meeting

- East Budleigh Road – speed check results. Emma advised that she had finally acquired the results! The check had been carried out in November 2020 and showed a mean speed of 28.1mph. She confirmed the results showed that there were no speed issues to warrant further investigation.
- High Street – creation of a passing place. Emma confirmed this was on her “request list” and she hoped this would be on the East Devon Highways and Traffic Orders Committee (HATOC) meeting in December.
- High Street/Fore Street – obstructions on footways. Emma confirmed she checked signage etc each time she visited the town.
- Fore Street – damaged railings. Jo advised she had been notified that the railings would be replaced during the week commencing 12 April.
- Coast path to Rosemullion Flats – No Cycling signs. Emma advised she would be checking the area with the Public Rights of Way Officer and would arrange signage.
- Dark Lane – speeding issues. Jo advised she had not received any response from the Dark Lane residents.
- West Hill/Exmouth Road – speeding issues
 - Flexible Bollards. Emma said she would prefer to look into this after Lockdown Restrictions had eased. Penny advised that the white lines had been reinstated after the recent resurfacing works! Emma said she had thought this had been a virtual footway but it was in fact edge marking.
 - Community SpeedWatch. Jo said she had contacted the Police and hoped to have more to report at the next meeting.
- Stoneborough Lane/Otter Court – double yellow lines. Jo confirmed the lining had still not been installed so Emma said she would chase this up with the relevant officer.
- Redhills – double yellow lines. Emma said she had added this to her list and would check the area on 24 March.

- South Field Lodge – issues with heavy goods vehicles and tractors using this lane. Emma said she would look at the restrictions and also speak to Christine about the issues.
- Middle Street and Lower Budleigh, East Budleigh – Emma confirmed she still had to arrange a site meeting with Heather.

468. Upper Stoneborough Lane

Consideration was given to the installation of wheelchair access from this road onto East Budleigh Road. It was agreed that dropped kerbs were needed on both sides of this road as well as opposite on East Budleigh Road. Christine suggested she and Emma take a look at this junction. Emma will meet with the Road Safety Officer and report further at a future meeting.

469. Moormead

The parking issues in some areas of this road (particularly in the vicinity of number 43) were discussed.

Emma confirmed she had received numerous complaints about the vehicles parked in this area and had been visiting regularly. She would monitor the area and asked that the item be kept on future agendas.

470. Coastguard Road/Fore Street Hill/East Budleigh Road

A suggestion for the renovation of the bollard at this junction was discussed.

Emma said that she had asked Skanska to repair the bollard. Once this was done, Alan J suggested that ideas should be discussed by the Group before being approved by the Town Council.

471. Station Road

A request for traffic calming in the vicinity of the Budleigh Community Workshop, which was being created in the former Fire Station, was discussed.

It had previously been suggested that users access the Workshop via the side door, off the Lower Station Road Car Park.

Christine said she would speak to the Trustees to get an idea of the perceived problem and pass on the gist of the Group's discussions.

472. West Hill

Snagging issues following the recent resurfacing works were reported:

- Alan T said that the new surfacing had not been sealed at the entrance to West Hill Gardens. Emma will report to South West Highways but advised that this process (over-banding) was no longer used; Alan T said it had been done outside the Public Hall!
- Similar issues were reported at Meadow Road and Fountain Hill. Emma will report this as well.
- Northview Road had not been resurfaced. Emma confirmed that because of the bad weather the crew had run out of time. This work would be carried out later in the month.

Penny said that West Hill was much quieter following the resurfacing and asked that the Group write to thank the contractors. Christine confirmed she had already done this.

473. Evans Field, B3178

The possible extension of the 30mph limit to include this development was discussed. Emma will request an extension to the 30mph limit and also investigate the possibility of a temporary limit; she wondered whether Road Safety Officers should be involved as well. It was agreed that both District and County Planning Officers needed to look at all the issues associated with this development.

Emma suggested the Group contacted Simon Jupp MP; Christine said she would contact him if that was required but she was unsure he would be able to offer much help.

474. Bus Stop at Knowle/Exmouth Road

Consideration was given to relocating the bus stop on the northern side of the road which was causing issues with queueing traffic.

After some discussion it was agreed that no further action would be taken as a suitable alternative site could not be agreed.

475. Moor Lane, junction of Station Road

The perennial problem of surface water flooding at this junction was discussed. Emma confirmed that the drains were cleared every three years and they due to be cleared soon. She hoped there would be an improvement after the gully team had been but would keep an eye on the issue.

476. Any Other Business at the Chairman's Discretion

- Christine said an unattached trailer had been left on Cricket Field Lane for some time and asked Emma to report this.

477. Date of Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 25 May 2021 at 2.00pm.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 3.57pm.

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Chairman

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Date

Approved