

## **BUDLEIGH SALTERTON TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the Meeting of the Foreshore & Footpaths Committee held in the Council Offices, Station Road, Budleigh Salterton on Monday 11 March 2024 on the rising of the Town Council.

Meeting commenced at 7.39pm.

### **PRESENT**

Cllr A F Chaplin (Chairman)  
Cllr Mrs C A Sismore-Hunt (Deputy Town Mayor)  
Cllr Mrs L D Evans  
Cllr D Walsh

**In Attendance:** Cllr Mrs C M Cunningham, Cllr R J Doorbar, Cllr M C Hilliar, Cllr S J Horn, Cllr W K Wood and Mrs J E Vanstone (Town Clerk)

### **23.455 Public Speaking Time**

No Members of the public were present.

### **23.456 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr D J Hayward (Town Mayor).

### **23.457 Declarations of Interests in Items on the Agenda**

No interests were declared.

### **23.458 Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Foreshore & Footpaths Committee held on 13 November 2023 had been circulated prior to the Meeting. It was unanimously agreed they be signed as a true record.

### **23.459 Chairman's Report**

The Chairman provided an update on Outstanding Matters:

- Fore Street Railings. The Clerk had contacted Devon County Council with three suggestions of suppliers. The Highways Officer had responded that the suppliers should comply with Highways Regulations and had provided two alternatives – one was a large company which makes safety railings and the other a small fencing contractor. The Clerk will contact the original companies to see if they comply with Highways Regulations and report back to the Chairman.
- 'Budleigh Welcomes You' signs. The Clerk had received an additional quotation for comparison and these would be discussed later on in the meeting.
- Footbridge from Upper Stoneborough Lane to Copp Hill Lane. The Clerk had received quotations to repaint the bridge but the project was on the backburner until East Devon District Council had concluded its usage survey.
- Madeira Walk. The Clerk was going to obtain quotations for the clearance of the vegetation along this path but the Town Handyman had been tackling the work and had done a great job so far.
- Pretty Corner – removal of leylandii hedge and clearance of gully. The Clerk will get a quotation from the Council's grass cutting contractor to do this work.
- Beach Matting. The EDDC Beach Safety Officer had put in a request for the matting and will inform the Clerk if/when he gets approval. He is aware that the Council is prepared to fund 50% of the project.

Further information is required for the following projects:

- Plastic Bottle repository. Further investigation is needed before a decision is made. The Clerk will contact Exmouth and Scarborough Councils to ascertain the cost of their containers.
- Update the flower bed adjacent to the Library path. The Clerk is still waiting to hear from Budleigh in Bloom with suggestions on replacement planting. When this information is received, she will obtain quotations for the project.

**23.460 Budleigh Welcomes You Signage**

Quotations for the refurbishment of the two signs located at Pretty Corner and East Budleigh Road were received and considered. It was

**Resolved:** The quotation from Devon Signs will be accepted.

**23.461 Devon Loves Dogs**

Cllr R J Doorbar gave a presentation about the importance and value of dog ownership. Cllr Doorbar was particularly concerned with the sizing and wording of some of the signs on the seafront and Lower Otter estuary areas.

Consideration was then given to whether any further action is needed by this Council and it was

**Resolved:** Cllr Doorbar will be invited to put his thoughts to the EDDC Beach Safety Officer when the Chairman meets him to discuss other seafront issues.

**23.462 Any Other Business at the Chairman's Discretion**

- Cllr Mrs L D Evans asked if the sign at bottom of Victoria Place could be repainted. The Clerk was asked to obtain a price for the work.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.18pm.

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Chairman

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Date