

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Budleigh Salterton Traffic Group held in the Council Offices, Station Road, Budleigh Salterton on Tuesday 16 July 2024 at 2.00pm.

PRESENT

Cllr A F Chaplin

Cllr Mrs C A Sismore-Hunt

Cllr D Walsh

Cllr W K Wood

County Cllr Mrs C Channon

Mrs E Sampson (Devon County Council Neighbourhood Highways Officer)

Mr A Tilbury (Budleigh Information Centre)

Mr R Wiltshire (Otter Valley Association)

Mrs J E Vanstone (Secretary)

616. Election of Chairman

Christine proposed, Alan T seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Caz be appointed Chairman.

617. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Mr P Morgan (Devon County Council Neighbourhood Highways Engineer).

Cllr J Carter (East Budleigh with Bicton Parish Council) was not present but passed his apologies to the Clerk after the Meeting.

618. Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Traffic Group held on 16 April 2024 had been circulated prior to the Meeting. It was unanimously agreed they be signed as a true record.

619. Matters Arising from the Last Meeting

- Cricket Field Lane/Chapel Hill – over-hanging vegetation. Christine said the vegetation was so bad it was difficult to see pedestrians when driving down the hill. Emma will inspect the area, including the entrance to Garden Court Road.
- Potholes – Jo read the response from Stuart Hughes and Jess Bailey. Emma advised that a lot of roads were being surface dressed using a different technique and it was hoped this would catch roads before they got too bad.
- Upper Stoneborough Lane – pedestrian signage. Emma will inspect the location and report to the next meeting. Christine added that the campervans parked near the junction of Westfield Close were still causing a problem and she asked if something could be done in the interim, before the Double Yellow Lines are installed.
- Lighting on The Green – Jo advised that due to other work commitments, she had not been able to do anything with this. She hoped things would settle down once her replacement had been appointed.

620. East Budleigh Road

Consideration was given to a request from Budleigh Salterton Cricket Club for both the 30mph limit and street lighting to be extended past the Club entrance/junction with Kersbrook.

Emma advised that the Cricket Club should contact James Bench regarding the speed limit extension. Jo will speak to Andy Ware regarding the lighting.

Christine advised that she would support this request.

621. High Street

- A request for additional bollards in the vicinity of The Hair Lounge was considered. Emma will inspect and report to the next meeting.
- A comment regarding the standard of the footway from Rolle Road to Victoria Place and A-boards blocking the footway were discussed. Emma advised that the footways are inspected regularly by specially trained operatives and any trip hazards dealt with. She added that a paving slab needed to be raised by 20mm to constitute a trip.
- An email with suggestions for improvements on the High Street had been circulated prior to the Meeting. The comments were noted and Jo was asked to respond accordingly. No further action will be taken.

622. Granary Lane

A comment received via Cllr S J Horn regarding the speed of vehicles/cyclists along this road was discussed. The comment was noted and members agreed that it is very difficult for vehicles to speed along this road, although cyclists could be an issue. No further action will be taken.

623. Outer Ting Tong/Dalditch Lane

A request for a mirror and signage at this junction was discussed.

Christine confirmed that Devon County Council Highways no longer install mirrors, although the resident could contact the local landowner to see if they would be prepared to install one.

Emma will inspect to see if additional signage is an option.

624. Any Other Business at the Chairman's Discretion

- The Lawn – Caz advised that the White Hatching needs repainting at the junction with High Street. Emma will pass this on to the relevant team.
- Vicarage Road, East Budleigh – the give way markings need repainting. Emma asked that these requests be made online to ensure they are properly logged.
- Caz asked about sign cleaning. Emma asked that these requests are also logged online.
- David said there was a buddleia in front of the 'Budleigh Welcomes You' sign at Pretty Corner. Jo said she will ask the Town Handyman to deal with that.
- Christine reported on the ongoing issues with South West Water, particularly in Granary Lane and Fore Street where there had been issues with the sewer. She was aware of a plan to close Fore Street later in the summer and she was not happy with this. Emma said that there was an embargo on planned works during the summer holidays and unless it was an emergency she did not think the work would go ahead. She had spoken to Cllr Jeff Trail about this.
- Bob asked when the bollard at Raleigh Wall would be repaired. Emma said this was with the contractor to do when we could, but she would chase him up.
- Alan T reported that cars were parking on the corner of Bedlands Lane and Barn Lane and asked if Double Yellow Lines could be installed.
- Jo asked when the "blips" would be painted on the passing place in High Street. Emma said the traffic team would be dealing with this in September.
- Emma advised that the planned work to resurface Station Road had been deferred to financial year 2025/26.
- Alan T said that cars were still parking on Moor Lane at the end of The Green and this blocked the cycle path. Emma said she would put out some cones.
- Alan T also reported that the gap in the centre of the carriageway in the High Street was becoming worse. Emma said she understood this work would be carried out in September.

625. Date of Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held in the Council Offices on Tuesday 24 September 2024 at 2.00pm.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 3.28pm.

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