

## **BUDLEIGH SALTERTON TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the Meeting of the Budleigh Salterton Traffic Group held in the Council Chamber on Wednesday 12 July 2017 at 2.30pm.

### **PRESENT**

Cllr S V Hall (Chairman)  
Cllr T D Wright  
Cllr A L Jones  
County Cllr Mrs C Channon  
Cllr J White (East Budleigh with Bicton Parish Council)  
R Henderson

**Secretary:** Mrs J E Vanstone

### **326. Election of Chairman**

Tom proposed, Alan J seconded and it was unanimously agreed that Steve be appointed Chairman.

The Chairman welcomed Cllr A L Jones to the Group.

### **327. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Alan D, Alan T, George, Chantalle and Emma Stamp (DDC).

Jon wondered if the meetings should be rescheduled or cancelled if not all members were able to attend but all agreed that the meetings should continue as scheduled.

### **328. Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Traffic Group held on 22 March 2017 had been circulated prior to the Meeting. It was unanimously agreed they be signed as a true record.

### **329. Matters Arising from the Last Meeting**

There were no matters arising from the last meeting.

### **330. Town Traffic Order**

Christine advised that she had been notified that double yellow lines were being painted at The Lawn and she hoped the rest of the Order would be completed soon. She would contact Lee Cranmer to see what was happening.

She added she had received an email from a resident of East Terrace regarding that part of the Order. She thought the residents had had adequate consultation and the Order covered everything they had wanted.

Steve said he was constantly being asked by some residents of Meadow Road/Close when the lining would be carried out as the situation there was getting worse.

Christine said there had been a change of personnel at Highways and thought this was probably the cause of the hold-up.

### **331. High Street/Fore Street**

The state of the pavements was discussed.

Christine said there were similar problems in Exmouth and had thought the same solution could be used in Budleigh Salterton. However, the amount of utilities under the pavements meant it could not. Vehicles are damaging the pavements and this would continue even if the pavements were resurfaced. Tom wondered if there was a need for more bollards along the edge of the pavement, particularly the section between Bradleys and the Co-operative.

The amount of A-boards on the pavements was then discussed. Christine said it was not just A-boards, there were seats, bicycles etc on the pavements.

It was agreed that Emma Stamp, the new Neighbourhood Highways Officer, be asked to meet with Steve and Christine and have a tour of the town. She could then look at the A-boards.

**332. Pathway between Station Road and The Lawn**

A proposal, from Christine, to install a safety barrier at The Lawn end of the path was considered.

Christine said that the Town Council had supported the suggestion and now she wanted Devon County Council officers to give their views.

This area will be looked at when Emma visits the town.

**333. Greenhaven, Greenway Lane**

The possibility of installing a dropped kerb was discussed.

Christine said that a dropped kerb was needed outside the old people's flats. Tom added that maybe one was needed on the opposite side of the road as well.

This will be added to Emma's list.

**334. Dial House, Chapel Hill**

There was a discussion on the state of the wall and the overgrown hedge outside Dial House.

Jo updated members on her mission to find out who was responsible for the wall. She had spoken to a Mrs Wright who had informed her that because there were power cables running through the hedges and trees Western Power had to carry out the work. The work would be carried out later in the year.

Mrs Wright had also advised that she was responsible for any repairs to the wall and this work would be carried out shortly.

Tom said there was also a problem with over-hanging hedges at Elmside and refuse/recycling lorries were aware of the issue. Jo confirmed that "hedge letters" had been sent to the relevant residents.

**335. Taxi Ranks**

Steve advised that there had been a problem with the Nat West Bank bus parking on the taxi ranks in Station Road. He said the ranks were not designated as ranks at EDDC, they were actually taxi parking areas.

After some discussion, it was agreed that Steve will ask EDDC to hang fire with any changes until the Town Council had prepared a case to keep the parking areas.

Christine said she will speak to the Nat West Bank advising they can park outside the Public Hall in future.

**336. Marine Parade**

A hole has appeared outside 2 Marine Parade and Christine advised she had contacted Emma to get this looked at and repaired. There was some concern as to what was underneath the hole!

**337. Lethaby House, Moor Lane**

Steve reported on the problems with cars parking in Moor Lane, thus blocking the entrance to the house, during the Food Festival earlier in the year. It was suggested that Jo writes to the Festival organisers suggesting they consider parking restrictions for the next Festival.

**338. Salting Hill**

A priority system was discussed. Alan J said this was not a new problem and drivers should be more patient! He wondered whether there should be warning signs at the top and bottom of the Hill.

It was agreed that this should be added to list of areas for Emma to look at.

**339. War Memorial**

Options for protecting the War Memorial, as the posts are regularly being knocked over, were discussed. There was some discussion on lockable posts or granite posts and it was agreed to add this to Emma's list as she might have alternative ideas.

**340. East Budleigh Road Lay-by**

Christine updated the Group on the situation with the travellers. She said she had received an email from Jenny Rayner at DCC and a 7-day notice had been served to move them on and EDDC to clear the site by 20 July.

Christine thought they had gone and Jon said he would check the lay-by.

**341. Seafront**

A request for an additional bus stop on the seafront (somewhere near Raleigh's Wall) was considered.

Christine said this could be a Request Stop and suggested Jo writes to Stagecoach asking for this, along with a replacement sign for the Request Stop at East Budleigh Road (opposite Raleigh Road).


**342. Any Other Business at the Chairman's Discretion**

1. Christine had received a complaint about cyclists using the path in Bramble Close to get to the Skate Park. Tom said he had an idea he knew who the children were and would speak to them at Youth Club.
2. Jon asked if the Traffic Order for East Budleigh could be discussed at the next meeting. Christine said this project was different to a regular Traffic Order and asked that an inspection be done before the next Group meeting. Jon said he would arrange this.
3. Alan J said the entrance to the Football Club was in a bad state of repair. It was agreed to add this to Emma's list.
4. Alan J also mentioned the possibility of a pinch-point at Raleigh's Wall by The Octagon. Christine said Highways Officers had carried out a safety audit on this and the project was not feasible. Jo said she will dig out the file and double check this information.
5. Steve understood Christine had discussed the possibility of traffic lights at Liverton Business Park and was working with her Exmouth colleagues on this suggestion.
6. Steve said there had been a comment that the traffic lights at West Hill were out of sync and Christine had asked DCC to check them.
7. Steve had had a report that the potholes at Bridge Road and Honey Park Road had had white lines around them and these lines were now fading. He wondered when repairs would be carried out. Christine said it could be a while before they were done, adding that just because they had been marked, did not mean they would be done soon!

**343. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 11 October 2017 at 2.00pm.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 3.53pm.

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 Chairman

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 Date