

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Foreshore & Footpaths Committee held in the Council Chamber on Monday 9 March 2020, on the rising of the Planning Committee.

Meeting commenced at 7.05pm.

PRESENT

Cllr R D Sherriff (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs C A Sismore-Hunt (Town Mayor)
Cllr D J Hayward
Cllr Mrs M L Kenneally-Stone
Cllr H L Riddell

Town Clerk: Mrs J E Vanstone

Others Present: Cllr A F Chaplin, Cllr Mrs L D Evans, Cllr A L Jones, Cllr Mrs M P Lewis, Cllr G Turner

19.472 Public Speaking Time

No members of the public wished to speak.

19.473 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Deputy Town Mayor, Cllr M C Hilliar (unwell)

19.474 Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Foreshore & Footpaths Committee held on 28 October 2019 had been circulated prior to the Meeting. It was unanimously agreed they be signed as a true record.

19.475 Chairman's Report

The Chairman updated Members on details of the recent Foreshore Walk (report attached as Appendix A)

He added to item 10 that it might be possible for Community Infrastructure Levy funds could be used for the update to the showers.

- Cllr Mrs M P Lewis asked if there were any time constraints for the East Devon District Council (EDDC) officer to report back to the Town Council. The Chairman advised that he and the Clerk kept a note of outstanding items and regularly checked in with the EDDC officer!
- Cllr Mrs M L Kenneally-Stone asked if any further discussion had taken place on the idea for storage units for kayaks etc. The Chairman said that location was key and he felt that the Lime Kiln Car Park was remote enough to be vulnerable to vandalism.
- Cllr D J Hayward asked if there could be some discussion on the Brook Road toilets. The Chairman advised that this item would go on the agenda of the next Town Council meeting.
- Cllr Mrs M L Kenneally-Stone said it was good to hear that the "dogs on leads" signs were being repainted. She commented that when walking a dog on the beach it was difficult to see what was on the path and thought it might be an idea to have different ways of showing the dog free areas.

19.476 Clerk's Report

Mrs J E Vanstone had nothing to report.

19.477 Brick Plinth at start to Donkey's Turn

A suggestion to install an information board relating to the Lower Otter Restoration Project (LORP) on the brick plinth was briefly discussed.

The Chairman suggested that Cllr H L Riddell raise this at the next LORP meeting. The Clerk will get a note of the meeting dates for Cllr Riddell.

19.478 Any Other Business at the Chairman's Discretion

- The Chairman advised that EDDC had undertaken the annual cliff inspection running from the Lime Kiln car park to the Longboat café. He said there was nothing to concern residents, the Hottentot fig had been trimmed where needed. Cllr D J Hayward asked if the engineers would be inspecting the cliffs at the western end of the town. The Chairman advised that this was an Environment Agency responsibility.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 7.19pm.

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Chairman

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Report on Foreshore Walk 26 February 2020

Those attending: Richard Martin EDDC Streetscene, Cllr Roger Sherriff, Cllr David Hayward.

Apologies: Cllr Megan Kennelly-Stone, Cllr Henry Riddell

The walk commenced at Rosemullion Court and ended at Lime Kiln Car Park.

The main points are as follows:

- 1) EDDC are monitoring the cliff area either side of Steamer Steps in order to prevent any caterpillar infestation in the vegetation in that area.
- 2) EDDC were requested to look into the installation of gabions at the base of the cliffs from Rosemullion Court eastwards towards Steamer Steps to prevent further erosion and potential cliff falls. **RM will liaise with the relevant department in EDDC to assess the feasibility of this proposal.**
- 3) The EDDC information boards at the bottom of Steamer Steps are scheduled to be replaced.
- 4) The proposed installation of a drinking water tap by the toilets at Steamers Steps is not feasible because of the layout of the toilets. However, there is a tap on the beach 20 meters (approx.) east of the West Kiosk. EDDC will check the water quality and once it has been passed as suitable for drinking, we will erect a direction sign in the vicinity of the kiosk. **RM to arrange water quality assessment.**
- 5) The solar lights on the roof of the Steamer Steps toilets have been vandalised. **RM has reported this to the relevant department in EDDC**
- 6) The painting and repair of the railings by the BS Club has still not been finished. Further cracks in railings also need to be repaired. **RM to contact Neil Sampson to ensure this work is completed asap.**
- 7) The flagpole on Marine Parade will be replaced shortly as the base fittings for the present flagpole are badly worn. A new flagpole to fly the town's clean beach award flag has been erected adjacent to Lime Kiln Car park. EDDC need to install the halyards before it can be used.
- 8) The 'Dogs on Leads' signs on the foreshore need to be repainted before the start of the summer season. **RM aware.**
- 9) The lighting in the toilets west of Lime Kin Car Park needs checking. Some of the toilet doors have been replaced the remainder will be done in due course.
- 10) The shower adjacent to these toilets is broken. **RM to arrange for a new shower unit to be installed.**
- 11) The shelter adjacent to the toilets needs to be repainted and general maintenance work carried out. **RM to arrange.**
- 12) The railings around the benches on the old gun emplacements are badly rusted and pose a health and safety hazard. They need to be replaced asap. **RM to arrange.**
- 13) The Lower Otter Renovation Project have proposed putting an information board on the empty plinth at Lime Kiln Car Park.
- 14) The gabions from Lime Kiln to Donkeys Turn have been repaired

