

**Foreshore & Footpaths Committee Meeting
29 March 2021
Appendix A**

Foreshore Report 9th March 2021

The Foreshore inspection took place at 10.00am on Tuesday 9 March 2021. Those attending were Richard Martin East Devon District Council (EDDC) StreetScene and Roger Sherriff, Budleigh Salterton Town Council.

- StreetScene staff will trim the vegetation alongside Steamer Steps in late spring. They will check for any signs of moth nests and will destroy any they see in order to prevent any potential infestation as occurred 3 years ago.
- Once lockdown has been lifted work will recommence repainting the benches on the foreshore. This work will be ongoing for the foreseeable future.
- EDDC Cabinet will make a decision on when/if to reopen the toilets at Steamer Steps shortly.
- Removing weeds on the foreshore is problematic as EDDC are trying to reduce their use of chemicals so don't want to spray weeds if it can be avoided. Staff shortages at EDDC mean that they don't have the manpower to remove weeds manually. This job was done by volunteers a couple of years ago but current restrictions preclude us doing this at the moment. So, we will have to consider an alternative strategy.
- Safety concerns have been raised about the outfall of the Town Brook on the beach. EDDC engineers will look into the feasibility of extending the outfall seaward.
- Repainting the signage on the foreshore will take place as soon as possible. The cliff debris on the foreshore will also be cleared as soon as staffing issues permit. Likewise redecorating the shelter by Lime Kiln car park will be included in the work schedule for the EDDC maintenance department. Repairs to the toilets which will include repainting the doors will also take place as soon as possible.