

## EAST BUDLEIGH with BICTON PARISH COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the East Budleigh with Bicton Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**RISK ASSESSMENT BY CLERK** – All correct

**PRESENT:** Parish Councillors Derek Wensley, Jim Ferrers, Jim Carter, Angie Canning and Kathy Moyle BEM.

**APOLOGIES:** **Parish Councillor** John Tresidder and Louis Allan, District Councillors Henry Riddel, Charlotte Fitzgerald, Melanie Martin and County Councillor Christine Channon.

The **MINUTES** of the Parish Council meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024 were approved.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - none

**COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:-** Councillor Channon reported there were serious sewage problems in Budleigh, in Granary Lane and in Fore Street, which are being repaired as a priority.

**DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:-** Councillor Martin sent a report on the Poverty Working Panel, the Local Plan and Seachange. See report.

### **Reports**

**Cllr Wensley :-** Cllr. Wensley attended the Celebration of Life of the late Lord Clinton at Exeter Cathedral, where speeches were given about the many groups and interests he supported.

1. Cllr. Wensley referred to the planning loophole which does not address the widespread removal of vegetation and habitat at Meadow Cottage, Frogmore Lane provided the building structures are not demolished. The police wildlife officer will follow up if a crime has been committed.
2. Workers continue to park in front of the bus stop at Ladymeade, despite requests to the project manager and owner.
3. Uphams carpark is still locked to the public despite the planning application allowing public availability when not in use by coaches.
4. Two councillors and the Clerk met with Clare James and Edward Clinton to discuss a proposed future planning application for holiday accommodation in small units. To be discussed by the whole Council when the application is made.

**Clerk's Notes** – see Report. Councillors agreed to accept the quote of £368.35 from Bagwells, to replace the flushing sensor and attachments to the Gentlemen's urinal. Clinton Devon Estates have

transferred ownership of the Recreation Ground to **Venn Bridge LLP**, which is part of the Clinton Devon Estates group, and it is now the landlord of the property.

**Parish Pathways – Jon Roseway:** See report. EDDC are late with grass cutting this year.

**Resilience/Community Shop/ Climate Emergency/Recreation Ground – Cllr. Tresidder:** See report.

**Village Hall/Drakes School** –See report. The school is flourishing

**Community Pub. - Cllr. Canning:** See report.

**Local Liaison/Salem Chapel – Cllr. Moyle BEM** – See report. There is an exhibition on smuggling at the Salem Chapel, open every Sunday afternoon. There will be displays for the Heritage weekend at the end of August

**Cricket Club/ Kersbrooke – Cllr. Carter** – Nothing to report. Cllr. Carter volunteered to attend the East Devon Tree, Hedge and Woodland Working Group

**Yettington - Cllr. Ferrers:** See report. The Clerk said the defibrillators in Yettington and at the Village Hall had been borrowed temporarily and replaced without being used.

Planning: 24/11243/FUL Sandon, Middletown Lane, East Budleigh. Cllr. Wensley provided written notes. After a discussion councillors voted for **No Objection**.

**Financial Report:** The Clerk has obtained a refund against Business Rates for the Hayes Lane carpark of £1916.16 In future the PC will be exempt from tax for both the toilets and the carpark. Councillors thanked the Clerk for obtaining this welcome reduction. The sum of £6,300.00 (the Community Infrastructure Levy) has been claimed against the building works at Syon House. This will be paid in October 2024.

Council approved the bills and financial records for June.

The meeting closed at 7.04 pm.

**The next meeting will be on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 6.0 pm in the Village Hall**