

## **EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Town Maintenance Overview Working Party**

Notes of the meeting held at 10am on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at Phear Park Compound, Exmouth.

#### **Present**

Councillor Ian Kirvan	IK	Exmouth Town Council (Chair)
Councillor Frank Cullis	FC	Exmouth Town Council
Councillor Olly Davey	OD	Exmouth Town Council
Councillor Steve Gazzard	SG	Exmouth Town Council
Councillor Brian Bailey	BB	Exmouth Town Council
Councillor Maddy Chapman	MC	Exmouth Town Council
Chetna Jones	CJ	Exmouth Town Council
Sam Dorman	SD	Exmouth Town Council
Tony Slinn	TS	Exmouth Town Council
Stephen Greenway	SG	Exmouth Town Council
Peter Habgood	PH	Exmouth Town Council
Neil Burns	NB	Exmouth Town Council

#### **Apologies**

Councillor Tony Woodward	TW	Exmouth Town Council
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#### **1. Welcome and apologies**

IK welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted as above.

#### **2. To approve the notes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

The notes of the previous meeting were proposed for approval by OD, seconded by FC, and agreed by all.

#### **3. Update on winter work proposal and to put together a list of pedestrian and traffic islands in Exmouth**

CJ explained that she had been in contact with EDDC Streetscene Operations Manager, Tom Wood following the last meeting. This was to discuss the winter work and how we could make best use of the seasonal worker in the outlined areas and to make sure the main roads are swept using the road sweeper. Tom Wood asked if we could produce a list of pedestrian and traffic islands in Exmouth. An email was sent to members of the Town Maintenance WP asking to collate the lists. CJ said that once all lists for all wards had been collated, SD will email Tom Wood with the information. Tom Wood would then put a plan together to weed and clean the traffic islands.

IK queried the grass cutting of the verges on Dinan Way. He said that the verges had still not been cut. CJ will follow this up with Tom Wood and ask for feedback on the grass cutting.

MC questioned when the walkways would be cleared. She has noticed the walkway between Brixington Drive and Brixington Lane needs weeding and there are branches overhanging. CJ will look into this.

SG informed members that there are overgrown weeds along Lawn Road and Belvedere Road. CJ explained that this comes under the responsibility of EDDC. SG said that he would log this with Streetscene.

**ACTON(S):**

**SD to email Tom Wood the details of pedestrian and traffic islands in Exmouth.**

**CJ to contact Tom Wood about the grass cutting on Dinan Way.**

**SG to report the overgrown weeds along Lawn Road and Belvedere Road to Streetscene.**

**4. To agree to replace In Bloom Gold winner signs in recognition of recent achievements and as they are out of date**

A discussion was had about replacing the signs that are situated just as you come into Exmouth to show In Bloom Gold winner.

SG proposed, FC seconded, and all agreed in principle for the signs to be replaced. It was further discussed to have all four logos added to the sign, Exmouth Town Council, RHS (Royal Horticultural Society), Exmouth in Bloom and East Devon District Council.

SG proposed, FC seconded, four in favour, two against, motion carried that all four logos to be added to the signs.

**5. Any other business**

IK said that the verge on the corner of Hamilton Lane junction needs cutting and tidying up. TS confirmed that this will be completed over the next couple of days.

Introductions were made by the Councillors and the Town Maintenance team.

CJ updated members about the compound with the following points –

- Electricity and water have been bought in from the building next door and the compound now has an outside tap and socket.
- A motion sensor floodlight will be installed.
- Containers and gates have been installed.

BB suggested that it would be a good idea to have a dummy camera installed on the wall as a deterrent. CJ will look into the possibility of this.

MC queried if the team were going to be getting another weeder. CJ explained that she had got a quote for a hot foam weeder, and this was quite extortionate and that she had liaised with EDDC to ask if there was a possibility of hiring from them but so far EDDC have not committed.

TS informed members that they had reduced down to one container at Pound Lane storage centre and this container just stores festival equipment. He then showed members the containers at the compound.

## **6. To note the date of the next meeting**

8th December 2022

The meeting ended at 11.30.