



KINGSTEIGNTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21 JULY 2021 VIA ZOOM AT 7 PM

Present:

Mayor: Councillor Peart

Deputy Mayor: Councillor Scagell

Councillors: Austen, Brotherton, Dempster, Jones, Laws, Peart, Plummer, Rollason, Scagell,

Town Clerk: Mrs C Lakin

Police Report

There was no police report

Public Participation

There were no public present at the meeting.

County Councillor R Peart's Report

Coronavirus in the Southwest Peninsula

Here are the latest figures and, as expected, there has been further increases in cases across the Peninsular. Cases of the Delta (Indian) variant has more than doubled in the last week from 500 to over 1000 in Devon, Torbay, and Plymouth. Of the 4,846 current cases in the Peninsular just 293 are aged over 60. Currently, cases in Cornwall appear to be levelling off which could be significant but, for the first time, Plymouth and Torbay have both risen above the per 100,000 figures for England.

- Last week there were 1,928 laboratory confirmed cases in Devon.
[557 in Torbay; 1,209 in Plymouth; 1,152 in Cornwall and 197,114 in England]

So, currently confirmed cases per 100,000: Devon 240.3; Torbay 408.8; Plymouth 461.3; Cornwall 201.5; England 350.2.

- 3rd to 10th July there were 3 Covid-related deaths in the Peninsular, all in Cornwall. 164 in England.
- As of 15th July, there were 33 Covid-related patients in Devon's hospitals, 12 in the RD & E (1 in ICU), 15 in Plymouth (3 in ICU), 6 in Torbay (1 in ICU) and zero in North Devon hospital.
- Cases across Devon by age group per 100,000:
0-19 = 342.1
20-39 = 530.3
40-59 = 162.6



60-79 = 47.9

80 + = 35.7

- By District

East Devon 324 cases (221.5 per 100,000)

Exeter 344 (261.8)

Mid Devon 186 (226)

North Devon 218 (224.4)

S. Hams 239 (274.7)

Teignbridge 473 (352.6)

Torrige 73 (106.9)

West Devon 71 (127.2)

Another rise, mainly in the lower age range with the dominant age range 12-28. Significant rises in and around Newton Abbott.

- Vaccinations in Devon – 85% in the age range 30-34, 70% in the age range 25-29 and 65% in the age range 18-24 have had first dose and 70% of people aged 45-49 have had both doses.

If people have not heard about a second appointment, please call 01752 398836 or contact d-ccg.devonvaccinationsupport@nhs.net

District Councillors' Reports

Councillor B Austen

Teignbridge is looking at the prospect of creating new jobs in the district and have formed a working group to address the problem.

With the new ways of working and businesses looking at relocating to smaller and more rural areas, there is a possibility to attract new businesses to the area. In some working situations, farming, care workers, hospitality there are problems in getting staff.

Face to face meetings have resumed at Teignbridge and I have attended two in the last week, one to grant extensions to taxis whose ten-year term for operating vehicles had expired and the other Overview and Scrutiny. Both were attended by rather smaller numbers than one would expect, and the meeting spent some time evaluating the prospect of continuing visual committee meetings in the future. The discussion was centred around the virus but there was a view that there was convenience in having visual meetings and financial advantage. At present all committees and full council meetings will be back to normal.

Councillor R Peart

Update on Refuse, Recycling and Garden Waste Collections - Over the last couple of weeks Teignbridge District Council resources have been stretched with delays in some areas of 24-48 hours. Residents are being asked to leave containers at their usual collection point for them to be collected as soon as possible and crews have been working weekends to catch up. The nationwide shortage of HGV drivers is impacting on us and many other local councils.



Problems re exacerbated by some staff having to isolate at short notice in line with COVID guidelines as well as the increased volumes of waste and recycling we have seen throughout the pandemic as more people have worked from home. We have several vacancies for Class C drivers so anyone who holds such a license and is interested in working for the Council should visit our website or contact Mark Pepper on 01626 361101. Our staffing partner Acorn Recruitment 01626 335575 is always looking for Refuse Loaders and this can often lead to full time employment with the Council.

Councillor B Thorne

There has been one meeting, the Annual Meeting, which was face to face which I attended and one I had to miss through illness which was the Overview and Scrutiny 1 meeting where the Leader of the Council explained aspects of the work being done on Climate Change and how the Pandemic and Brexit made things difficult in delivering plans and especially budgets. However, the recent successes with the High Street funding and bringing empty homes back into use reassured the meeting slightly but he did remind everyone that there are still the 751 new houses target per year to achieve!

Other actions on the TDC side have been to monitor the arrival of new reports on the Sands Copse application which are hopefully going to reassure everyone that the applicant can deliver within the rules and regulations set by the Local Plan and others within the NAPPF. As I have made clear I am trying to ensure the full details are required up front about several issues at least some are regarding ecological and climate change concerns. Nevertheless, I am not in any way predetermined on the case and can see how useful new jobs and opportunities for Kingsteignton is and this might be the way forward for Kingsteignton as the simple fact of its inclusion in the Local Plan would suggest.

I have been following the various climate change forums especially through the ACT group which have been most illuminating of late and of course the Garden Community seminars occurring this week which will include some useful feedback from the attendees in its report to stakeholders in the Autumn.

Following a disappointing tree felling in Broadway Road which was legal but sad I have invested time to access a way of checking TPOs in Kingsteignton from a web site - not entirely up to date but because of the low number easily checked. This could be useful for the future no doubt. No doubt other councillors are aware of it but those that are not please let me know if you are interested. Useful information and a new look at tree planting have come from it ready for a future discussion.

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL, RYDON ROAD, KINGSTEIGNTON ON WEDNESDAY 21 July 2021 AT 7.03 pm

VM84/2021 Apologies

Resolved: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Austen, Ripping and Rollason



VM85/2021 To receive any declarations of interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

VM86/2021 To accept resignation received from Alex Khan on 9 July 2021

Resolved: that resignation be accepted, and letter of thanks be sent to Mr Khan thanking him for his contribution over his time in office. This vacancy is being advertised.

Discussion took place and it was

Resolved: that Cllr Thorne would speak to Mr Khan to ask if he would be happy to be involved with the Council on Climate Emergency.

Cllr Scagell said that she had spoken with Mr Khan who said that he had 500 whips to plant in the Autumn and was happy to do this with the same people that had planted the whips last year. He would need stakes, caps, and covers for this. Cllr Scagell will liaise with Mr Khan to see what is needed for the planting of these whips.

Discussion took place on the whips that were planted last Autumn, and it was:

Resolved: that the ground around the whips should be cut back and new stakes, covers and caps be purchased for the ones that are missing. Cllrs Scagell and Thorne to speak with Mr Turner concerning this and the possibility of the whips being watered.

VM87/2021 To receive the Mayor's Report.

I was invited to attend The Ribbon Cutting of Phase 1 of the A382 road improvements, which fully opened in May 2021. The host was David Black, Head of Planning, Transportation and Environment from Devon County Council, who invited the Chairman of Devon County Council, Cllr Jeff Trail, to cut the ribbon. He then invited Teignbridge District Council Chair, Cllr Colin Parker to cut the first turf between the A382 and A383 Houghton Barton Link Road. DCC Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Environment and Transport, Cllr Andrea Davis, paid tribute to the Government for providing the award of funding for completion of the remaining phases of the A382 corridor improvement scheme. After the event we had refreshments with a bowl of strawberries with cream (optional). The new road when it is finished should ease traffic congestion in and around the area.

VM88/2021 To receive and approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 5 May 2021

The mayor presented the minutes of the Annual Full Council meeting held on 5 May 2021.

Resolved: Minutes adopted



VM89/2021 To receive the Clerk's Report, annual Report and actions carried out under Delegated Powers

Clerk's Report

- As you are all aware we have received Cllr Khan's resignation to enable him to focus his attention on his family and career. A letter of thanks has been sent to Cllr Khan from the Council thanking him for all the work he has carried out during his time in office and the enthusiasm he has injected into the Council's business during his time in office. The vacancy has been advertised and we have already received one application form and another form has been issued.
- We have had issues with moles at Oakford Lawn. We have changed the company used to deal with this and they have reported that 2 moles were caught in each of the affected and fenced locations on the Lawn. They were both isolated areas and moles are solitary so this will have resolved the current problem in these two areas. Moles are attracted to certain locations and unfortunately, there will be quite an infrastructure of tunnels under the surface as time has gone on as many of the tunnels stay intact which makes easy digging for any new moles should they move in. There is nothing that will deter moles and suggest maintenance men are vigilant.
- Cllr Peart and I attended a meeting at the Royal British Legion on 14 July 2021 regarding the Remembrance Parade. RBL have advised all branches that Remembrance services and parades are civic functions, that are supported by the RBL but that they are not responsible for the delivery of these events. Local authorities remain responsible for setting the parameters of the ceremony marking Remembrance events and for applying for Road Closures etc. The Town Council have, therefore, been asked if they can deal with the Road Closure for this event, for the setting out of the signs and marshalling the route during the parade. The British Legion are happy to work with the Council on this matter and arrange the Parade. In accordance with this I have now applied for a temporary road closure on Sunday 14 November between 9am and 12 noon. This will be made an Agenda item as the Council need to find Marshalls for this event to help close the relevant roads at the correct time.
- Mr Turner and Mr Lewis will be attending Chapter 8 training in August which will be of benefit to the Town Council.
- Mr Turner and Mr Lewis will be attending a Strimming Course on 21 July 2021. This will be a refresher course for Mr Turner and a new course for Mr Lewis
- In accordance with guidelines, staff will be attending a First Aid training course on 16 August 2021
- We have been experiencing problems with the telephones in the office. Phones ring out but we have been unable to answer them. We have an engineer from the Company who provide the phones coming in to look at this problem.
- The new CCTV camera has been installed at the Community Hall which will help with any future parking issues.



- Judging for Kingsteignton in Bloom was carried out on Saturday 17 July 2021. I would like to personally thank Mrs Simmons, Cllrs Brotherton and Peart for all the work that they have put into this event. This event was very well supported with the number of gardens entering the competition up on previous years. Presentation of Cups and Certificates will take place at the Old Rydon Inn in August.
- Yellow directional arrows will be painted in the Community Hall Car Park on Tuesday 27 July 2021 as instructed at the April 2021 Community Hall/Recreation meeting. The new sign with the agreed wording will then be displayed.
- The Internal Audit has been signed off and completed paperwork is being submitted to the External Auditor.

Annual Report - copy can be found on the Town Council website: www.kingsteignton.gov.uk

Delegated decisions made between May-July 2021

Committee	Date	Proposal/Action	Decision
Full Council	10.05.21	That delegated powers be given to the Clerk between meetings up to September 2021	Agreed. 11 in favour. 2 no replies
Community Hall/Recreation	10.05.21	Approval for Cllr Peart to contact Viridor re grant for Clifford Park	Agreed. 11 in favour 2 no replies.
Full Council	11.05.21	Approve Temporary Scheme of Delegation Policy	Agreed
Training	26.05.2021	Social Media for Councils. Cost £36. Attended by Carol Lakin, Michelle Lewis Clarke, and Shirley Simmons	VM26/2021
Upgrading of Accounts package	20.05.21	Upgrading from Alpha to Omega Software. Cost: Given a credit of £295 against the software cost of £595 (trade in allowance on the old software). Net £300 cost of transfer from Alpha to Omega £250 Annual support £260 .	Approved by Carol Lakin under Financial Regulations 4.5 spending limit £5000
Plants for The Fountain	25.05.21	Purchased plants for The Fountain from Briartor as advised by Cllrs Scagell and Brotherton	Community Hall/Recreation min: CR13/2021 £400 budget
National Conference (Virtual)	To be held on 13 & 14 October 2021	Attending: Carol Lakin and Michelle Lewis-Clarke. Cost £100 each + VAT	Booked by Carol Lakin
Land at Sands Copse	04.06.21	Comments received from Councillors and forwarded to TDC	Unanimously agreed



Painting of Arrows in Car Park	07.06.21	Quotes obtained for painting of yellow arrows in the car park. Quote from JHB UK accepted at a cost of £550	Agreed. 11 in favour 2 no replies Mrs Simmons has contacted the company and is arranging a date for the work to be carried out.
Planning Observations for weeks ending 14 & 21 May 2021	07.06.2021	Observations received from councillors and sent to TDC.	
Town Crier Events		Approval given for Mrs Edwards, Town Crier to attend events on 7 & 11 September 2021	
CCTV in Community Hall Car Park		Community Hall/Recreation meeting 21.04.2021. Figures received from Sound & Visual and forwarded to councillors asking them to agree A or B.	Option B agreed. £1278 plus vat 7 Agreed. 6 No replies
Chapter 8 Training		Mr Turner and Mr Lewis booked on Chapter 8 Training 6 August 2021. Cost £125 pp.	Booked by Carol Lakin
Town Crier Honorarium		Councillors asked to approve Town Crier Honorarium of £200	Agreed. 9 for and 4 no replies.
Planning Observations for weeks ending 28 May, 4 & 11 June 2021		Observations received from councillors and sent to TDC	
Protect Duty Home Office Consultation	2106.21	Forwarded to councillors asking for comments.	None received
DCC Planning application re: Cycle Trail DCC/4238/2021		Comments requested and forwarded to DCC.	No objection.
Policies		Emailed to Councillors: Whistle Blowing, social media, Sickness, Retention and Disposal, Occupational Health, Grievance, Equality & Diversity, Employee Health and Well Being, Complaints Procedure	Agreed. 11 for 2 no replies



Mayors Allowance		Councillors asked to approve Mayors Allowance of £1500	Mayors Allowance of £1500 paid. TDC to pay
Clearing of Waterways		Complaints have been received from residents concerning overgrown waterways – Whitears Way, Clifford Close and Newton Road. Tegan Faulkner, DCC has been informed and is arranging for these sites to be cleared.	
Graffiti Clifford Park		Racist graffiti at Clifford Park on Ramp, Table Tennis Table and Picnic bench. Police have looked at CCTV, individuals identified by Teign School, and will be visiting homes with parents and children present. Rebecca Hewitt reported that this matter is being taken seriously and Counter Terrorism team are involved. Approved £214 for graffiti to be cleaned off by TDC as our caretakers are self-isolating and was too offensive to be left.	
Kingsteignton In Bloom	13.07.21	Budget set for £500 to cover engraving of cups, prize vouchers, presentation tea etc. Councillors asked for their approval.	
Mary Hall Suite	26.05.21	At the Full Council meeting on 5 May under “Incoming Mayor’s Report” it was proposed that the Mary Hall Suite be used as a Council Chamber only and not for bookings. Email sent to Councillors asking if they felt that this matter should be revisited as no information on revenue lost etc. was available to be considered.	7 agreed that this matter should be revisited 6 no replies.

VM90/2021 Representative Reports

- **To appoint a representative for Climate Emergency**
Resolved: that Cllrs Thorne and Dempster should be the representative for Climate Emergency



Rydon Primary School – Cllr Ripping provided the following report from Mr Banwell:

Many thanks for your kind words. It has been a real pleasure working as the Headteacher at Rydon Primary School. I have always tried to work closely with the local community with the aim that children in my schools' value their locality and take pride in their local area. The current pandemic has made this a challenge in many ways, but I hope that Rydon continues to play a leading role in community events in the future.

The past term has been a challenge as we have dealt with a range of issues with families caused by the pandemic – bereavement, financial, family break up and anxiety to name but a few. We have been very tight with our COVID protocols and so far, have only had to send on year group home (last week). I personally have been very disappointed with the government's chaotic management of COVID in schools, which has added to the pressures on school staff, but I have been in awe of the staff and the children in the way that they have responded to changes.

We are hoping to be able to open as normal in September and I feel very confident that I will be handing the headship baton onto a very competent successor in Catherine Willcocks.

After 20 years as a Headteacher, I shall no longer be leading the school, but I will be continuing to work across our trust on a part time basis and look forward to further work with the Town Council through my involvement with both Rydon and Teign.

Ball Clay Heritage – Cllr Thorne reported that there was no activity.

Viridor Liaison Group – Cllr Thorne said that there was a meeting at the end of June where a great deal of interesting questions were answered by the various guests - I have not received any minutes yet but will summarise the 2 points of most interest to me.

1. There was an offer for me/ others to see the leachate cap 11a and 11b at some stage (no dates forthcoming yet) - these are the ones that are getting an increase in their warning levels to avoid unnecessary attention from the EA - regular checking almost - because of the design of the system there is an idiosyncrasy which means part of the piping between the two rise higher than the warning level so makes it an ineffective warning for potential problems with the warning level being kept at the lower current level. Of course, I have challenged this as I feel leachate is a major potential problem and I would like the EA to maintain their current level of checking.
2. There is still plenty of room for tipping at the site and we established the full amount of waste that can be tipped is 760,000 cubic metres which roughly correlates to about the same in tonnes - with every lorry over the weighbridge the remaining amount is dropping especially when for whatever reason the incinerator energy from waste plants is down the unborn waste goes directly to our landfill site. It would seem about 50% of this max capacity is remaining.

From the associated organisations reports we heard from Jamie at Sibelco that Rixey Park spoil heap is now up to full height - 60 metres. This is the massive heap just before Clay Lane on the Claypits Way and that Traffic Lights should arrive at The Bridge in Clay Lane in Aug/ Sept 2021. Other Sibelco activities are the cycle track on Exeter Rd which is now progressing well.



PCC Cllr Advocates Report – Cllr Thorne reported:

The regular discussion with other advocates making up the Newton Abbot District Neighbourhood team and the local Inspector Dave Hammond reported that sadly the team is a bit depleted since the sergeant has injured his back and will be off for a while and one of the PCs is now acting Sergeant elsewhere - nevertheless locum staff are assisting. Reassuringly the crime figures although creeping up are getting back to normal levels.

I took part in a feedback session about the new crime plan and suggested greater use of digital reporting as so many residents still feel 101 is slow and I would like to see more fixed and/or mobile CCTV mixed with ANPR technology to catch illegal motorists as they drive by besides being able to record likely speed infringements and initiate warnings etc. to those owners of cars.

I did mention my suggestion which I attempted to let you all know about - where a relaunch of the Community Watch through a digital basis could be useful to collect much more information. Information from the digitally aware, directly posted, of miscreants and crimes quickly after the event or indeed as it happens if ever appropriate and from a community volunteer (link to current Community Watch) who could assist those not so digitally aware to report into the database to give smart algorithm interpretations at some stage in the future. Whether or not this was currently possible the creation of the community watch volunteers could be attempted from now on and my message was to see if we could use £1000 of funding from a (probably now missed deadline) fund to market the community watch in a new modern way to try to get communities to know how to report and support each other with the incidents. This might have the possibility of keeping Police attention on the major crimes rather than data collection on minor ones. Perhaps more to follow at another time.

Cllr Thorne said that he would like to apply for a grant to set up Community Watch in Kingsteignton by sending out a Leaflet to residents concerning this to see if this is something that they would be interested in. It was agreed that this would be made an Agenda item for the September Full Council meeting for further discussion

Stover Park Advisory Board – Cllr Thorne reported:

Sadly, I was unable to attend for the complete time however it was reassuring to hear that progress is being made with the preparatory work required before the full grant application is made spending the £300,000 to complete this work. Essentially the dredging of the Stover Lake is a major part of the plan and options are being considered around this now with planning permission being looked at for the items requiring it. It is a massive undertaking, and the Park will be ready to meet the challenges of the future and become a beacon of excellence for school science, ecological monitoring, protected species, new ways of protecting such habitats allowing mostly unrestricted access to the public. I have taken a few visits to see the nightjars recently and attended a few educational tours advertised for the public on the DCC website which I recommend anyone to attend, and they are also free of charge.

Perhaps I could draw attention to the fact that many Kingsteignton residents use the park as the centre of their well-being recreational exercise, and it might be we should all become aware of its benefits because it might be we will be approached to support the Park financially in some way in the future and for those that do not know it is a fantastic resource.



Teignbridge Cycling Forum – Report received from Teignbridge District Council:

The Forum was held via Zoom and attended by 43 persons, with approximately 15 apologies given due to other commitments. Estelle Skinner and Helen Williams managed the event, and Luke Caruana assisted in setting-up. Numbers were a little down on usual attendance but still good numbers despite the Forum coinciding with a Devon County Council 'Full Council' meeting.

Cllr Jackie Hook, Climate Change Emergency Executive Member TDC gave a welcome and introduction to the Forum with a focus on the need for sufficient and good-quality infrastructure alongside new growth and encouraged all to engage with the ongoing Teignbridge Local Plan update process and to also input on other relevant consultations upcoming on active travel that will be covered via the following presentations. Hearing the views of as many local people as possible about their local area is vital. The importance of suitable funding availability for progressing schemes was touched on, in relation to Community Infrastructure Levy and section 106 funds via development but the need for notable external funds to compliment this, which requires bids to be prepared.

Questions:

- Why is most delivery focused on Newton Abbot? This is where the highest population is within Teignbridge and where the majority of new development is occurring and therefore has the greatest need for new and improved infrastructure investment.

Josh Manning Transport Planning Team DCC gave a presentation on the Heart of Teignbridge (Newton Abbot, Kingsteignton & Kingskerswell) Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP). Josh talked through the process to-date for producing the consultation draft LCWIP, which has included notable data review and a series of stakeholder input sessions. The purpose of the document is to set-out the main priorities for active travel delivery over the coming 20-year period. The public consultation is due late summer/early august.

Questions:

- Are there opportunities for further rural links? The LCWIP focuses on the urban and suburban area to encourage more local utility trips to be made within the Heart of Teignbridge. The importance of linking to the leisure network was also noted in producing the consultation draft and there are schemes already being progressed that were not included but were noted as in progress such as the Teign Estuary Trail. Rural links would be more likely to be considered under the DCC Cycling & Multi-use Trail Strategy if a clear case can be put forward for need and deliverability, but this is not currently due for review.

Roger North – Engineering Design Team DCC updated attendees on the Teign Estuary Trail progress. DCC has been progressing the planning application information and documentation, since both DCC and TDC both contributed funds to enable this process and the big news was that the planning application would be submitted before the end of May 2021. This is one of the three major steps of the project (attaining planning approval, landowner agreements, securing funding). As part of the preparation process a stakeholder



session was held to attain input from key professional stakeholders who will, as standard, be formally asked to comment via the application process and a public consultation was also held which received an amazing 3,000+ responses with 92% in favour of the proposed route. This evidences the massive support for this project.

Questions:

- Who will the planning application be submitted to and how long will the process take? It will be submitted to the Devon County Council development management team. It will be around 3-months allotted initially but there may need to be a time extension to ensure all matters are covered and could take approximately 6-months in total.
- Will the surfacing be suitable for all multi-users? Yes, this is the intention, except for horse-riding which has not been flagged as a demand for this locality.
- Who will repair and maintained the route once delivered? DCC apart from some land boundaries that may remain in private ownership for maintenance.
- Is there access to the route via Luxton Steps Public Right of Way (PROW)? There is a bridge proposed overflow Lane to retain Flow Lane as a pedestrian route, but Luxton Steps PROW will link Bishopsteignton directly to the Teign Estuary Trail via a shared-crossing close to Metro Motors and a new surfaced route along this PROW.

Estelle Skinner Strategic Planning Team TDC gave an update on other active travel schemes in Teignbridge including the Newcross links (Sibelco, Redrow and DCC), Ogwell route, Newton Abbot Future High Street fund active proposals and wider linking needs, the A382 improvement works, South-west Exeter active travel bridge, Chudleigh, Ashburton, and cycle parking progress. Please see the slides for more information.

Questions:

- How much funding is available to improve the link between Stover Trail and MT Tums? There is approximately £40,000 available via s106 funding and options review is being carried out currently.
- Why is so much being invested into the A382 improvements to the Highways when this could provide for numerous active travel projects, and there is already a good route nearby? The route nearby is predominantly a leisure route whereas this route is intended to offer more of a commuter focused link. This was a specific fund that suited this project proposal and intended to reduce the notable risk for motorist users of the A382 as well as providing a safe active travel link. Much of the central government funding has been focused during recent years on facilitating growth and employment in specific ways but with the Gear Change document that was released after the first lockdown it seems hopeful that more funding for active travel routes may become available via funding streams for bids.
- Why wasn't pedestrian and cyclists' priority used at side-roads on the A382 section already installed? The new central government guidance does advise use of priority crossings for active travel where feasible and safe to do so. This practice is likely to become more typical following on from this, but it will not be possible to take this approach in all situations and it will depend on risk assessment on a case-by-case basis.



- Why can't a route be delivered to link Ashburton to Newton Abbot as there is potential to achieve a low-cost option via quiet lanes and PROW? Dartmoor National Park Authority has included the Ashburton – Newton Abbot link in the package of options they are at very early stages of reviewing for opportunities. Estelle will ask DNPA to attend the autumn 2021 Forum to provide an update. To carry out full design and delivery process requires notable capacity and funds for each route. Some route delivery projects are more intensive than others but there is always a notable demand on each and that requires sufficient resource. That is why the routes that will deliver the most benefits for the most amount of people is typically prioritised, such as via the Heart of Teignbridge LCWIP and the Teign Estuary Trail intended to fill in a major gap in the National Cycle Network Route 2. However, that is not to say that some wider links that may potentially see lower usage are not still of notable importance to those local communities. Sustrans has produced a 'top tips' guide for communities including Town/Parish Councils who want to be part of taking action to progress on early stages of their local route demands. Estelle will invite Cllr Nicky Heyworth to the autumn 2021 Forum to talk about the work they have been doing locally with Sustrans.
- Why isn't Chudleigh being progressed to link into the active travel network, as there is local development taking place? TDC has met with Chudleigh Town Council and active travel group a few times to discuss the early stages of delivery and they are drawing together all the relevant existing data and information and reviewing next steps such as how to best evidence deliverability and promote the case for the route.

Graham Brodie – South Devon Cycle Touring Club (CTC) gave an update on the CTC and the activities that are promoted and events that are available as a member. The key messages are inclusivity and exploration to ensure a memorable experience. Please get in touch if you would like to find out more [South Devon CTC | Cycling UK](#)
There are various active local clubs, and each will be offered a chance to present at the Forum. Please let us know if you would like to do so via forwardplanning@teignbridge.gov.uk

Any other Business?

- Ashburton is working towards becoming a cycle hub.
- Please let Estelle know if there are any cycle parking needs you are aware of in Teignbridge forwardplanning@teignbridge.gov.uk
- Signage for sharing considerably removed from Racecourse Route (near Winner's end).
- Can the information be shared with all town and parish councils?
- Can all accidents be reported – not just serious ones to the police? Any motor related accidents and near misses can, and should, be reported to the police. The Devon County Council (DCC) Portal allows you to report issues on all DCC maintained land including Highways and relevant off-road active travel routes. The issues include overgrown vegetation, potholes, broken manhole covers, bridge or wall damage, debris, or obstruction, hazardous and fallen trees, flooding, and blocked drains and more. This is a really good resource as you can use the interactive map to view locations where reports have already made and to log your report for a specific location:
[Report a problem - Roads and transport \(devon.gov.uk\)](#)
- The modal filters in Exeter are excellent and have really transformed the experience of walking and cycling in parts of the city.



- Does the Council liaise with Sustrans when decisions are being made? Yes, both DCC and TDC have a good relationship with Sustrans and encourages their input and engagement, with priority active travel projects such as the Teign Estuary Trail and the LCWIP.
- There was a catchment need raised between Buckfastleigh and Ashburton for active travel.
- The need for improving the narrow path between Peamore Garage and Kennford was also raised.
- Emily Simcock wanted to express her apologies due to leading a women's breeze ride through British Cycling from Chudleigh at the time of the meeting. There are lots of local bike rides organised by BC volunteers like her throughout Teignbridge.

VM91/2021 Risk Assessment/Management Plan and Financial Risk Assessment

Resolved: that the Risk Assessment/Management Plan and Financial Risk Assessment be adopted and reviewed in 12 months' time.

7.45 pm Cllr Jones left the meeting as he was feeling unwell.

VM92/2021 Clifford Park

Discussion took place and it was:

Resolved: that

- That the work at Clifford Park in renewing the play equipment should be carried out in one phase. Total spend will be subject to funding being received from Viridor - £100,000-£150,000
- That Cllrs Scagell and Peart should meet with Ben Jones from Proludic again to agree final equipment to be installed at Clifford Park, with the proposed Hamster Wheel being replaced with other equipment. (Mrs Lakin to set up suitable meeting with Mr Jones, Cllrs Scagell and Peart)
- Funding application should be submitted to Viridor in the Autumn with work starting on the installation of new play equipment in Spring 2022
- Mrs Lakin to contact Lorraine Montgomery, Teignbridge District Council to find out what S.106 funds are still available for the equipment in Clifford Park. **After minute:** Email sent to Lorraine Montgomery.
- Friends of Clifford Park not to be involved in the project.

VM93/2021 Beating the Bounds – Saturday 11 & 18 September 2021

Discussion took place and it was:

Resolved: that



- This event should be open for members of the public to attend, with up to 30 people on each date on a first signed up basis.
- Event should be advertised on Noticeboards, in the Mid Devon Advertiser, on our website and on Facebook.
- Walks on both days to start at 9 am and completion expected around 4 pm
- First Aid cover to be obtained for both days in case of need
- Refreshment stall to be set up on both dates providing drink and fruit. Cllrs Scagell, Plummer and Dempster to assist. Also, Mrs Lakin to assist.
- Either medals or certificates to be presented to all walkers
- Risk Assessment to be completed for both walks. Cllrs Bovey and Ripping completing this.
- Event to be rescheduled if severe weather or due to COVID
- Boat to be organised for Beating the Bound in the middle of the water at the Passage House
- Budget of £1000 set for this event.

VM94/2021 Mary Hall Suite/Council Chamber

Following a proposal put forward at the May Full Council meeting for the Mary Hall Suite to become a Council Chamber and not hired out. Cllr Peart withdraw this proposal and it was unanimously agreed that the Mary Hall Suite should continue to be hired out to members of the public as and when needed.

VM95/2021 The Queens Platinum Jubilee – 2-5 June 2022

Resolved: that Cllrs Austen, Laws and Thorne should research where a tree to commemorate the Queens Platinum Jubilee should be planted and what sort of tree this should be.

Suggestions to be brought back to September Full Council meeting for further discussion.

VM96/2021 Kingsteignton Youth Centre – Appointment of one Charity Trustee

Resolved that Mrs Lewis-Clarke should be reappointed as Charity Trustee by Kingsteignton Town Council for a further year.

VM97/2021 Local Plan Consultation

Draft Teignbridge Local Plan (Part 2) Site Options Consultation

Strap Lane - (Playing Field site) (21-32 homes)

The Town Council are not happy with this consideration for the following reasons:



- Amount of Carbon emissions produced in this area/Air Quality
- Privately owned land
- Ideal site to remain as a green site
- Used by local Rugby Club
- Used as Devon Air Ambulance landing site

Land East of Rydon – part of the land is a former quarry and most recent use as a salt depot for Highways. (22-34 homes)

No comments

Land off Hackney Lane - located on the southeast side of Kingsteignton. Existing residential use lies beyond the norther side of the land off Woodmere Way. (20 homes)

Comments:

- Differentiation between Newton Abbot and Kingsteignton by stopping housing being too extensive.
- Wildlife on site to be protected
- Too visible
- Additional pressure on flooding and sewerage issues already experienced in this area

Greenhill - site comprising of existing business units with yard/parking area (8 homes)

Comments:

- Site to remain as Industrial Units for Start Up businesses
- Businesses are needed in Kingsteignton
- Prevention of adding additional traffic to a narrow road in the Conservation Area

Greenhill Way/Hackney Lane - verge area with several trees and generally flat in character. Residential uses border along Greenhill Way, Hackney Lane, and Ash Road. (10 homes)

No comments

Northwest of Orchid Vale - lies within an existing residential area to the east of Exeter Road.

- Trees on this site should be protected.

No comments

North of Broadway Road - comprises of existing business units (some redundant), storage area, hard standing and parking areas. Some green space/landscaping bordering and within site. (50 homes)

If development proceeds on this site, the Town Council would request that a footpath is installed along Broadway Road.



Kingsteignton Retail Park – (Newton Road) Currently accommodates a mix of employment and retail uses and some residential. The area is dominated by roads and car parking. (300-500 homes)

Following concerns raised:

- Air Quality Concerns
- Carbon Footprint
- Inadequate infrastructure
- Flooding
- Employment site needed in Kingsteignton

Kingsteignton, particularly the Sandygate area has very limited land resource for children's play/recreational areas. This should be including footpaths/cycleways and other amenities which seem to be reducing under these plans. Whilst it is appreciated that houses are needed, Kingsteignton also needs more small shops, which would encourage people to walk to a local shop rather than drive everywhere.

Resolved: that comments presented to Full Council from the Working Party be approved and forwarded to Teignbridge District Council.

VM98/2021 Correspondence

- Email received from Devon County Council and forwarded to councillors re: Electric Vehicle Recharging Point Parking and Car Club Vehicle Parking, Teignbridge. Kingsteignton – newton Road
- Copy of Risk Assessment for Resuming Face-to-Face meetings
- Email received from DCC and forwarded to councillors re Broadway Road – Vehicle Prohibition and Speed limit

The meeting closed at 8.50 am

Signed:..... Dated:.....