

## EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

### NOTES OF A MEETING OF EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL RIGHTS OF WAY WORKING PARTY HELD IN GORFIN HALL, CLAREMONT LANE, EXMOUTH ON WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2017 AT 4.00 P.M.

#### **Present:**

Cllr. R Masding (Chairman)                      Cllr. M Williamson  
Cllr. B de Saram                                      Jan Gannaway  
Terry Knights (P3 Coordinator)      John Petty  
Tim Clatworthy (Volunteer to P3 Coordinator)  
Sue Cody (Office Manager)

**Apologies:** Cllrs. Brenda Taylor & J Trail. Lisa Bowman (Town Clerk)

#### **Election of a Chairperson**

Councillor M Williamson proposed seconded by Councillor B De Saram that Councillor R Masding be elected as Chairman. Councillor R Masding accepted the role.

#### **Notes of the Last Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> April 2016**

These were accepted and signed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

#### **Matters Arising from the last notes and not included in the current agenda**

- **Feedback from Councillor Rob Masding from his attendance at DCC Highways Parish and Town Council Conference**  
Councillor Rob Masding would forward the notes to members from that meeting.
- **Solar Lighting** – cyclists had reported that pedestrians and dog walkers were no longer carrying torches as the lighting was proving to give sufficient light to walk along but the result was that walkers were very difficult to see by cyclists particularly walkers who were dressed in dark clothing. Suggested feedback to Jerry Upfield, DCC Highway Development Management Officer.
- **Presentation from Ros Davies** – the presentation was excellent.

#### **Definitive Map for Exmouth**

Although the topic had not been placed on the agenda discussion took place around the paths within Exmouth that were regularly used but were not designated as a Public Right of Way. In the past paths had been reviewed on a 5yearly basis as to their status but that process had been shelved through lack of funds and Devon County Council were currently reviewing the paths within the county. Some parishes had been surveyed and it was unclear as to when Exmouth's survey was due to take place. Work had been carried out several years ago in the identification of regularly used paths which the group had felt should be registered on the future definitive map in order to safeguard them. Terry had a list of those and the list would be re-visited to identify those

which still existed due to recent developments. Some members of the group added that the information would be helpful in information gathering for Exmouth's Neighbourhood Plan and the new project 'Wild Exmouth'.

### **Introduction of P3 Co-Ordinator Volunteer**

Terry Knights introduced Tim Clatworthy who was joining the group to support Terry who was no longer able to walk all the footpaths himself particularly those with uneven surfaces and steeper gradients. Tim would take on footpaths in the East numbers 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,11 &15 and Terry would assist with footpaths 1 & 3 and the remainder.

Countryside Services carry out the bigger maintenance jobs. Terry had not received his honorarium and members of the working party requested that it be paid.

Members thanked Terry for his commitment to his duties as P3 Co-Ordinator and welcomed Tim to the post of volunteer. A request was made for a description of the duties involved in the post of P3 Co-Ordinator.

### **Watersports Centre – cycle path route**

John Petty and Jan Galloway were concerned that the cycle-path along the seafront would conflict with watersport users and their access to the sea. A suggestion was made that the cycle-path be re-routed behind the Watersport Centre for safety reasons. Grenadier would publish their findings from their public consultations very shortly which would show the intended cycle route. Councillor M Williamson would forward the suggestion at a meeting he was attending later in the week with Grenadier.

### **Any other business**

#### **The Wild Exmouth Project**

There would be a presentation by EDDC Countryside Services on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at Full Council meeting at 7pm to give members an overview of the project which is designed to make people aware of green open spaces.

#### **Date of the next meeting**

A date to be arranged.

Meeting finished at 5pm.