One Ilfracombe Town Team

Meeting Notes - 29th November 2023

Neil Ingram (Chair) -One Ilfracombe Project Officer	Alex Bird – DCC Highways
Mark Langworthy - IBTA	PCSO Ade Drury – D&CP
Barbara Clarke – Events 4 Ilfracombe	Laura Donovan (LD) – ITC Proper Officer
Gavin Pennington-Ellis – ITC Facilities Manager	Cllr Bert Gear – ITC (Online)
Cllr Terry Elliott - ITC	Eric Hayes – Ilfracombe Access Group
Georgina Carlo-Paat – Harbourmaster	

Apologies: Cllr June Williams, Suse Rolfe (NDC), Naomi Laurenson (NDC)

1. Chair welcomed everyone and introductions were made.

2. Change to agenda. Due to another engagement Ade Drury delivered her update.

- Ade emphasised the requirement to Report – Report – Report incidents especially anti-social behaviour. This intelligence can then be used to focus resources.
- Street Marshalls were now out and about. LD stated that the Street Marshalls were funded up until March. After this date whether there was any additional funding was not yet known.
- Due to only 1 person attending the drop in sessions in 2023 these would not be repeated in 2024.
- Ade also reported that Combe Christmas had been a successful "uneventful" evening for D&CP.

3. **Last Meeting Actions:**

- Lee Bay Bins – outstanding request with NDC for weekly collections during the summer.
- Brookdale Coach Park – outstanding request with NDC to investigate solution to regular overflowing bin.
- NDC Street Cleaning Programme – outstanding request with NDC awareness of routines to allow informing of residents and co-ordinate local cleaning initiatives.
- Tarry Lane/ Hillsborough Terrace/Fore St – Stickers to be placed on bins to remind residents of requirement to store bins on own premises.
- Use of Community Payback Team – Assisted at War Memorial and have list of "grot spots" to plan in for future visits. *Post meeting note – Payback Team painting the inside of The Vision Centre Jan/Feb 24*
- Scoping of bin storage at Ship & Pilot end of Ropery Road Car Park – *This will be costed up by GPE for presenting to Proper Officer.*
- Telescopes – Last minute request from NDC for them to remain in situ. *Chair to investigate*

4. **Ilfracombe Spring Clean 2024: 16th – 24th March 2024**

The concept of the Spring Clean were explained. Discussions underway with local groups and organisations, One Ilfracombe partners, The Probation Service, NDH, NDC and DCC to identify specific events within this week.

The poster for the event has been created and a copy can be down loaded from the One Ilfracombe website - HERE

Online and poster promotion is now underway and ITC staff will be contacting groups and organisations in the new year.

5. **AOB**

- RT reported that the Skate Park Bin has been removed – Is there a plan to replace? – *Chair will report via Report It! on DCC website*
- RT reported that the bandstand panels probably needed replacing and that it was beyond a touch of paint. – Chair to raise with NDC
- RT mentioned that the electrician was looking at the lighting issues. This was an ongoing issue that would be reported back on for Council decision over costs.
- Cheyne and Ropery Road Car Park electrics to be assessed with quotes to follow.
- War Memorial electrics were also on the list to be inspected. Details to follow.
- RT stated that the Armistice Parade had been a success. Only feedback is that the parade element would benefit from a band taking part.
- AB stressed the importance of reporting and in response to a question from RT stated that as far as he was aware that no chemical spraying was taking place in Ilfracombe.
- TE raised the fact that despite being reported back in Dec 2020 the road markings outside the Junior School had still not been repainted. They have now virtually perished to nothing. AB (DCC) to investigate. *Chair will also report via Report It! on DCC website*
- TE raised the issue surrounding the Co-op crossing on the High St and that the road markings here were not clear and required remarking. AB (DCC) to investigate. *Chair will also report via Report It! on DCC website*
- TE raised the issue of the street lighting on Highfield Road and how it was very dark along the road as the lighting was obscured by the trees. *Chair will report via Report It! on DCC website.*
- TE highlighted that overgrown ivy on the pavement outside Sea View Haven was dangerous. *Chair will report via Report It! on DCC website.*
- TE stated that the vegetation along the problem areas in Slade had been cut back but there was a problem relating to the debris left. AB stated that this was the responsibility of the contractor and re-emphasised the importance of official reporting as this gives DCC the ability to question problems with their contractors. AB also stated that if a report is not followed up upon that a complaint is made via DCC official channels. The Chair stated that this equally applies to issues reported via NDC.
- GPE mentioned that the broken pavement bollard outside the new Premier (opposite Ilfracombe Centre) had been fixed with masking tape! *Post meeting note - AB stated that the bollard was a DCC responsibility and that it has been put on the work list for Jan 24.*
- BC asked whether the Combe Haven sign on the wall at Hillsborough Terrace could be removed. *GPE will schedule in and remove*.
- BC raised the point that the DCC removed Budlia at the bottom of the Old Barnstaple Road had been cut back but that removing at the root would prevent grow back. AB emphasised the need to report so that DCC could return to their contractors.
- A discussion was had about cycle racks and sheds around the town. GPE and his team will investigate the unused bike sheds at Wilder Road and the Chair will investigate whether any

grant funding can be found to put cycle hoop racks around the town. The Proper Officer suggested tying this in with the DCC Transport Plan.