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# County Councillors Report to Bishopsteignton Parish Council

## **Devolution deal for Devon, Plymouth and Torbay moves a step closer.**

A new deal that will transfer money and powers into the hands of local Leaders across Devon, Plymouth and Torbay, has moved a step closer with the backing of the Government's Levelling Minister, Dehenna Davison. Outline approval has been given for a Devon wide devolution deal which could bring greater local control and allow partners to tap into additional resources to help tackle key local priorities, such as affordable housing, better public transport and connectivity, and providing for the skills that the local economy needs.

The deal wouldn't require a change to the established democratic structures across the area, or the need for an elected Mayor. Instead, new powers would be devolved to a partnership of existing local councils who would deliver on a joint programme working alongside a wide range of other local stakeholders.

Local partners across Devon have now been invited to work together to prepare a final business case to present to Government for approval later in the year.

Any final deal would require local consent with the full agreement of all the constituent councils as well as Parliamentary approval.

## **Highways Network Spending**

Every penny of the extra £9.4m for Devon, announced in the Chancellor's budget recently, will be spent on improving our roads and making them more resilient.

Most of it will go towards the Local Area Capital Programmes which will reflect local priorities identified through our elected members and Neighbourhood Highways Officers. Using inspections and survey data, the remaining funding will be directed to preventative works to stop potholes forming in the first place.

Cllr. Ron Peart

28/03/23

## PAYMENTS AUTHORISATION

Appendix B for the full council meeting to be held 03.04.23

VN	Payment Date	Description	Supplier/Payee	Net	VAT	Total	Notes
1	04.04.23	Clerk's salary	Mrs. K Ford	£1,792.56	£0.00	£1,792.56	for March 23, includes overtime agreed by Chair/Vice.
2	04.04.23	Tax & NI	HMRC	£617.41	£0.00	£617.41	for March 23
3	04.04.23	Pension Contributions	DCC Pension Fund	£543.76	£0.00	£543.76	for March 23
4	04.04.23	2022/23 Payroll services	Lee Accounting Southwest	£150.00	£30.00	£180.00	Invoice SI-6999
5	04.04.23	Webinar: Climate Action for Local Councils	NALC	£43.37	£8.67	£52.04	Invoice Number: 6241645649
6	04.04.23	2023/24 Monthly playground inspections	Paul Walton	£240.00	£0.00	£240.00	Invoice 23/03/001.
				<b>3387.10</b>	<b>38.67</b>	<b>3425.77</b>	

Payment Date/Frequency	Description	Supplier/Payee	Net	VAT	Total	Notes
1st working day/Monthly	Website provision & support retainer	James Hooper	50.00	0.00	50.00	
1st working day/Monthly	MailCore Email Hosting	The Very Good Email Company	13.00	2.60	15.60	£1 per email address registers so will vary across the year.
1st working day/Monthly	Cleaning contract: Fore St & Lawns toilets	Paul Walton	429.17	0.00	429.17	Fore St at 3 times per week. Lawns (closed) at once a week to check for vandalism, clean for MUGA users and flush through to reduce health risks.
Mid-month/Monthly	BPC Mobile phone contract	EE	17.00	3.40	20.40	Subject to rate changes
Mid-month/Monthly	Rental & Service Charges	Bishopsteignton Community Centre	211.00	0.00	211.00	For shared storage in Knapman room, working space in the Hub when required, and all BPC meetings.
Mid-month/Monthly	Contracted parish wide grass cutting & green spaces maintenance	BGS Ltd	1616.00	323.20	1939.20	St Johns, Cemetery, Lawns, Village Green, strimming PROW 9, 13 & 19, 2 playgrounds, 2 gardens on Radway Hill.
Monthly Direct Debit	Water at Fore St toilets	Everflow	Variable	Exempt	Variable	In contract until 05/11/23
Monthly Direct Debit	Electricity at Fore St toilets	British Gas		@ 5%		In contract until 16/01/24
Monthly Direct Debit	Electricity at The Lawns	Octopus		@ 5%		Currently not paying until they provide a working meter!
Quarterly Direct Debit	Water at The Lawns	SWW		Exempt		Rolling contract.

On behalf of Bishopsteignton Parish Council, I agree that the debts detailed above shall be paid from Bishopsteignton Parish Council funds and that these transactions shall



Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: Chairman

Dated: 03.04.23



**Appendix E for the Full Council meeting to be held 03.04.23**

**Additional BPC Noticeboard for the Grange Park/Teign Road/Forder Lane Area**

See the following 2 photos for location options. I would say to the right of the bench but set forwards, away from the hedge is probably best. There is plenty of room closer to the junction but I'm not sure the residents in the first bungalow would appreciate this addition to their view. There is space on the other side of the junction (third photo) but won't most people be walking in the opposite direction?



I will need to get Devon Highways approval for the installation in this location, but as the pavement is nice and wide this installation shouldn't cause any obstruction, so permission is likely to be granted. I have emailed the NHO to open the conversation.



Depending on how long this will take, and the lead time for delivery of a board and finding a installation contractor, if required, perhaps the council can set a budget and leave me to finalised this purchase with the Chair/Vice for approval?

### OPTION A



<https://wonderwallproducts.co.uk/detail/ff89c0e6b8646888d8671ff0a18e129>

Wood effect, but doesn't say what material or if this is recycled. Cheap so I don't think it is.

Choice of colours for felt.

Lockable, weatherproof.

9 x A4.

Posts supplied.

To be installed by BPC.

£672 +vat.

### OPTION B



<https://www.earth-anchors.com/product/standard-9-x-a4-h105-x-w75cm-single-door/>

Same supplier as the board at the cemetery, and some of the recycled plastic benches in the parish.

Black aluminium.

Magnetic backing, white.

Magnets supplied.

9 x A4.

Posts, square black aluminium to match, and fixings supplied.

To be installed by BPC.

£514 +vat

### OPTION C



<https://www.noticeboard.company/product/outdoor-notice-boards/church-parish-post-notice-boards/wood-effect-church-parish-notice-board-recycled-plastic/>

Recycled plastic, wood effect. Posts and fixings supplied and installation included.

8 x A4. (the sell bigger but will have 2 doors and be larger (at least 12 x A4 and be much more expensive.

Awaiting a quote, should arrive Monday morning.



## **Bishopsteignton Playgrounds Management & Maintenance Plan**

**Parks and play areas are integral to the cultural life of a community, giving children somewhere to play and interact, and communities a space to enjoy valuable time outdoors. Playgrounds, especially, provide children with stimulating and challenging environments for exploring and developing their abilities, including the need to understand and embrace the element of risk. This means that for councils and community organisations who manage playgrounds, there must be a balance between providing quality spaces for children to play and managing the equipment and infrastructure to reduce the possibility of accidents and injuries.**

Causes of playground accidents involving mismanagement can include:

- Faulty or damaged equipment
- Incorrect installation
- Poor design and layout
- Poor inspection and maintenance of equipment
- Recommended precautionary measures not visible/displayed.
- Grounds and supporting infrastructure (fences, gates, surfacing, etc.) not regularly inspected for safety issues.
- Aged or poorly maintained equipment.
- Equipment unsuitable for the intended age group
- Missing or inadequate safety signage

Given that a large proportion of accidents result in children falling from equipment, often from a height, the playground surface is equally important to maintain, whether this is rubber flooring, wood chips or bark, artificial turf or another approved surface.

There is no specific legislation on play safety. However, the key legislation to consider is:

- The Health & Safety at Work Act 1974
- Management of Health and Safety at Work Act 1992
- Occupiers Liability Act 1957 and 1984
- Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999

Both the play equipment and the surfacing, should comply with the British and European Standard for playground equipment and surfacing, BS EN 1176. While these standards are not retrospective or, currently, a legal requirement, they represent good practice.

This Management & Maintenance plan shall be reviewed at least once per council term, if the current provision of play equipment and surfacing at Bishopsteignton playgrounds (shown in Appendix B) is changed by removal/replacement/renewal, or if safety standard legislation is amended or introduced. The Parish Councils Asset Register and Insurance cover is reviewed annually to ensure any changes are covered.

All additional installations will be managed by:

- Ensuring professional advice is given on appropriate design and layout, with a focus on the intended age group.
- Equipment and surfacing shall be installed by a competent person in accordance with standard BS EN 1176, and a post-installation inspection carried out by an independent body.

## **CIVIL LEGISLATION**

In the event of a serious accident where a claim is based on negligence; that is, Bishopsteignton Parish Council, as the authority responsible for the play equipment and surfacing, has failed to take some action which made the accident more likely to happen, the defence will be based on evidence such as records of inspections and maintenance, compliance with the Standards and relevant risk assessments.

This policy should ensure the Council's legal responsibilities, insurance cover and method of inspections and maintenance given the resources available to it.

## **INSPECTIONS**

Routine inspections of play areas are performed on a regular systematic basis; the inspections checklist (Appendix A) is designed for use at monthly inspection although these will be carried out more frequently during busy periods. The inspection can be carried out internally by a councillor, the clerk, or a volunteer. BPC will ensure all inspectors receive the appropriate training to carry out inspections of playgrounds. Annual independent operational and safety inspections shall continue to be carried out by appointed qualified assessors.

Around 60% of all accidents on play areas do not occur on play equipment but on ancillary items or approaches, so these areas are included in the inspection. A high proportion of accidents occur from tripping on uneven surfaces.

It is important that inspections are 'hands on' and that you use all your senses. Look at, listen to and use the equipment. Sound differences can help identify problems that would not otherwise have been obvious. Take extra care not to put your hand where you haven't looked first in case any sharp objects have been left.

Start looking for hazards as you approach the play area. Check that paths are in good condition, without trip hazards and that there is nothing overhanging or projecting onto the path which children could run into.

When you reach the play area check the general surface for trip hazards including that the edges of all 'safer' surfacing are level with the surrounding areas (trip hazards). Check the 'safer' surfacing is in good condition and in place. If any deterioration has occurred assess if this warrants intervention such as cordoning off until repair has occurred. Check surfaces for slipperiness. Rubberised surfaces can get an almost invisible algae build up which can make them very slippery when wet. Use a 'hands on' approach on all equipment and use it where possible.

On sprung items, try giving them a hard push to make them rock forcefully. Look and listen for any loose parts/rattling.

For slides attached to a unit, stand near the top and look down the slide. Check the steps are secure and the chute is free from obstructions. Try moving the slide run out to see if there is any loose fixings.

On swings check seats for damage. Check on cradle seats that the centre strap (that goes between legs) is firmly fixed. Turn the seats over and check that there are no projecting bolts underneath. Separate the links on chains (where the chains meet the seats and where the diagonals meet) to check for wear. Any worn links will be replaced at 30%-40% wear. Throw the swing seat vertically up in the air and watch the shackle pin for movement. If the pin moves sideways only, there is unlikely to be bush or shackle wear. If however, there is a rocking motion, this can indicate that the shackles or bushes are worn.

From time to time sit on the swing seat and gently swing, looking upwards to the top bar. This should not move. If it turns at all then the head bar is loose in its fixings.

Use your weight to check stability of items. Where there are chains or ropes on any equipment make sure they are secure and in good condition and that ropes cannot form a loop (so they can't be caught around a neck).

Look for any areas on equipment where there are unexpected changes in colour. These can indicate that a component is missing.

Where metal tubes are part of the play equipment construction, try hitting the metal with a rubber mallet and listen. If there is serious internal rusting you will hear a sound, like rain, as the rust you have disturbed falls inside the tube. If hollow metal appears to be 'bowing' at any point this is an indication that there may have been damage due to water build up in the hollow, which when it freezes then 'bows' and eventually splits the metal.

Appendix A to be completed during each inspection and return to the Clerk to the Council.

## **MAINTENANCE**

Following the assessment, all concerns of potential risk must be highlighted to the Clerk of the Council, or the Chair of the Asset Management Committee (AMC) or the Chair to the Council immediately who will action remedial work to take place as soon as is practical. Depending on the risk assessment, use of the failed equipment may be restricted with immediate effect or as soon as possible. Any actions taken will be reported to council members at the next meeting of the AMC or full council, whichever takes place soonest.

All maintenance work, whether routine or emergency, and all necessary purchases will be conducted in accordance with the BPC Responsible Resource & Purchase Policy to ensure quality, value, sustainability and environmental impact are always considered.

Following maintenance work the equipment shall be checked by a councillor/the clerk to ensure a satisfactory conclusion and health and safety concerns are resolved.



### Monthly Checklist for Children's Outdoor Play Areas & Equipment - The Lawns & Cockhaven Close

<b>Site General</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Are any barriers present and in place?			
Are fences secure and complete without any protrusions?			
Are gates in working order?			
Are pathways undamaged and free from obstructions?			
Is the site free from litter, glass or any other dangerous objects (needles, etc)?			
Is site and surrounding areas free from animal fouling?			
Do nearby trees appear to be in good condition and not likely to fall?			
<b>Ancillary Items</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Are all seats and benches undamaged and in good condition?			
Is the planting safe and undamaged?			
<b>Surfacing</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Are safety surfaces undamaged and free from any trip hazards?			
Is safety surfacing level with surrounding ground and not causing trip hazards?			
Does the site appear to be well drained without excessive puddling?			
If surfacing is grass, is it in good condition without undue wear?			
<b>All Equipment</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Are all supports present, secure and free from decay at ground level?			
Is all timber and metal work undamaged and free from corrosion?			
Are supports secure in the ground and are all fixings secure?			
Are all safety barriers present?			
Does equipment work properly and without undue noise?			
<b>Swings</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Are the chains intact and in good condition with less than 40% wear?			
Are the swing seats unbroken with no exposed metal?			
Are the seats fixed securely (with secure centre bar on cradle seats)?			
<b>Slides</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Are steps in good condition and not slippery?			
Are handrails secure and in good condition?			
Is the chute securely fixed, undamaged and clear of foreign objects (needles, glass etc) (carefully check under sides of chute)?			
<b>Rotating Items</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Is it undamaged and is the platform level?			
Does it revolve smoothly and noiselessly?			
Are all safety features present?			
Does any speed restrictor work?			

Are there no protruding bolts etc. under the platform?			
Is it clear of rubbish, needles, sharps etc underneath?			
<b>Rocking &amp; Spring items</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Are all supports and springs present and secure and free from decay at ground level?			
Are ground fixings secure with undue movement?			
Does the item move smoothly and noiselessly?			
Are all hand grips and footrests present and securely fixed?			
Where chains or ropes are present are they secure and in good condition?			
<b>Climbing and Agility Items</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Are all supports present and secure and free from decay at ground level?			
Is all timber or metal work undamaged and free from corrosion?			
Are all the bars in place, securely fixed and any tube ends plugged?			
Are any overhead bars/rings all present, securely fixed, and do bars not rotate?			
Are all ropes or chains present and in good condition and firmly fixed?			
Are all nuts and bolts secure without any projecting thread?			
Do loose ropes not form a loop?			
<b>Bridges</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Remedial Action Required</b>
Is there no gap opening at the ends which children can slip through?			
Are bridge slats all present, secure, and evenly spaced?			
Are all fixings secure and in good condition?			
Are chains and ropes secure without undue wear?			

**Recording:**

1. **Have all the above faults been reported to the relevant person?**                      **Yes / No**
2. **Has action been taken on previous faults?**    **Yes / No**

**Additional comments:**

**Signed**..... **Print Name** ..... **Date** .....

### The Lawns Playground, TQ14 9PJ



1. Junior Climbing unit
2. Toddler climbing unit
3. Basket swing
4. Junior swings
5. Toddler swings
6. Springers/Rockers x3
7. Picnic bench
8. Visitors access gate
9. Maintenance access gate

## Cockhaven Close Playground, TQ14 9RJ



1. Slide
2. Wooden Ship
3. Toddler/Junior Swing
4. Basket Swing
5. Climbing poles with net
6. Balance Rope
7. Seating
8. Visitors access gates
9. Maintenance access gate





**Appendix H - CLERKS REPORT OF GENERAL UPDATES 30.03.23**

**KINGS CORONATION 6-8 May 2023:**

Despite our intention to organise an event on behalf of the Parish Council the committee have regretfully agreed this is not going to be possible. The timing is difficult with end of year accounts deadlines and responsibilities relating to the council internal audit and Annual Governance and Accountability Return. Furthermore, the potential of a contested election on 4<sup>th</sup> May, and whether contested or not there will be new council members to introduce to the process, from 9<sup>th</sup> May. Several entertainers and refreshment suppliers were contacted but all have prior commitments in place.

However, to take part in King Charles 'Big Help Out' event a community litter pick session is to be arranged for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May, thankfully working with Sustainable Bishop on this. Further details coming soon, council attendance and support at this event would be greatly appreciated.

**DUKE OF EDINBURGH PARTICIPATION** – I have agreed to support 2 young parishioners who are completing the DofE award scheme. 15 years old doing Silver and 13-year-old doing Bronze. Both must try to carry out 1 hour of community service each week, for Bronze this is for 3 months' worth and for silver it will be six months. I have thought of several tasks they can complete including PROW assessments, bench assessments, checking and cleaning food supply boxes (for sus bishop if agreeable). There is bound to be more tasks crop up in the meantime but if you think of anything please let me know and if suitable I can liaise with them.

**ELECTION 2023** – Please encourage anyone who might be interested in joining the council to get in touch. I can offer an insight into the role, as might you, as well as give them guidance in the application process.

**Important Dates:**

- **04.04.23** - Nominations - 4pm Deadline for delivery of nomination papers.
- **05.04.23** - Publication of Statement of persons nominated – display of who exactly is standing, if 11 or fewer there will not be an election. If 12 or more, there will be.

**COST OF LIVING GRANT:**

An application on behalf of the Lunch Club, submitted by the clerk and Cllr. Head, was successful. The group have been awarded £1,000 to keep the club going, pay their annual BCC rent, and means the price of lunch will not to be increased for this year. The fund will be paid into BPC accounts and held in trust for them until banking services are secured. Awaiting payment.

**PLANNING MATTERS TO BE NOTED:** Amendments to the following application:

REQUEST TO GO TO CATEGORY B: 22/02156/FUL - Cockhaven Arms 12 Cockhaven Road - Stationing of three shepherd huts and the erection of a linen and cycle store. To date, no further change to the application, no revisions received or showing on the TDC planning portal.

APPEAL AGAINST LPA DECISION: 22/00073/REF - 2 Great Furlong - Appeal against the refusal of 21/02823/FUL: Erection of a new detached dwelling. The Planning Inspectorate decision was due to be made by 14.03.23 but the portal is not showing that anything has been decided yet.

**PARISH MAINTENANCE/AMC COMMITTEE:**

**Benches** – Maintenance ongoing, as and when required. John Parkes is working to repairs to the benches at the Village Hall and Fore Street (outside Riverview). Agreed for members of AMC to assess the current condition and recent works, walks to be arranged. A possible task for the DofE participants.

**Playground Revamp:**

Funding: Phase 2 applications for both playgrounds were submitted last week. Following some alterations this week they are now with a grant assessor at Viridor and we should hear something back



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around the end of April, possibly to conduct a site visit. Viridor's final decision will be confirmed by 28.06.23 therefore Viridor insist no works are to begin before mid-July.

Suppliers: Both chosen contractors have been advised of the awarded contract and the timescale we are working to, that this is subject to funding. Unsuccessful contractors have been advised and thanked for their time. Both successful contractors will be in contact in May about site visits in late May/early June for final plans to be approved.

Additional: AMC agreed unanimously the wooden ship at Cockhaven Close should be removed at the same time, this has been factored into the quote and work schedule for the relevant contractor.

**BPC Car Parks:** The three car parks owned and managed by BPC, being both sides at the top of Bishops Avenue and the one at the Lawns, require some suitable signage and a policy for use to be adopted. This is a task delegated to the Asset Management Committee & Clerk for further consideration/preparation. No further action has been taken yet.

**MUGA – Line Markings:** Secondary netball court marking complete. Looking to mark the primary court in FY 2023/24 and we can use S106. Work could begin from April, will seek quotes for AMC consideration. I would appreciate a brief site visit so I can be sure exactly which sets of lines need to be remarked. To be arranged.

PLEASE NOTE: Personally, I am not overly impressed by the quality of recent line-marking work, and I am likely to recommend alternative contractors for the next project.

**Improvements at Fore Street Toilets:** It has been reported some minor repairs and painting is required to keep this facility in good condition. Site visit/inspection to be arranged to create job spec before quotes to be sought.

**Cockhaven Junction Enhancement:** Work complete, except planting, to commence Autumn 23. Wildflower cornflower mix sown for summer colour, thanks to Robert, Kate Yeo & Mike Lane for this.

**Trees: Cemetery - Ash Dieback:** Inspection carried out by Devon Tree Services in Sept 22. Report advises no serious deterioration because of Ash Dieback, no immediate action required, recommends further inspection in August/Sept 2023 when in leaf. There is a second Ash which needs checking, this is along the path edge, and it appears to have damage, inspection to be organised.

**War Memorial:** Requires professional steam clean and lettering repainted. All three quotes for this work now received. Letter sent to BH for possible grant (30.03.23, awaiting response but the next BH Trustees meeting is 17.04.23. Once a response is given a funding application shall be submitted to the War Memorials Trust. A budget heading is established for 2023/24.

**PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY: Surface of FP13 (adjacent to School):** DCC Highways Maintenance Funding application was unsuccessful, despite meeting the criteria. An explanation has been provided but classes the work as requiring capital funds, which I do not agree with!

It has been agreed by AMC to complete the necessary work using CIL. Preferred contractor chosen and advised. Work to be conducted 13 & 13 April, before Summer term begins. School advised, posters to be displayed on site and social media. Pedestrians will be diverted using PROW 19, behind the school.

### **CIVILITY & RESPECT PROJECT & PLEDGE:**

<https://www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/civility-and-respect-project>

Throughout the sector, there are growing concerns about the impact bullying, harassment, and intimidation are having on local (parish and town) councils, councillors, clerks and council staff and the resulting effectiveness of local councils. NALC, One Voice Wales, the SLCC and county associations have responded to this by setting up a Civility and Respect Working Group to oversee the Civility and Respect Project.

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PLEDGE - NALC, SLCC, and OVW believe now is the time to put civility and respect at the top of the agenda and start a culture change for the local council sector. The Civility and Respect Pledge is being introduced because there is no place for bullying, harassment and intimidation within our sector. The pledge will enable councils to demonstrate that they are committed to standing up to poor behaviour across our sector and to driving through positive changes which support civil and respectful conduct. All councils are being invited to make the Civility and Respect Pledge. More detail can be provided for BPC to make the pledge at a future meeting.

### INTERPRETATION BOARDS:

Bishopsteignton Heritage are leading on the production of several boards around the parish. So far, they have completed these at the four-parish boundary stone, St Johns Church front, and the Admirals graves in the Churchyard, which sadly now do not show the correct logo or styling.

Two new boards ordered by BPC, for The Parish Cemetery and The Village Green, funded by BPC, from the Burial Account for the former, and S106 for the latter (application for fund submitted). Awaiting delivery.

Further boards are anticipated at Bishops Palace Walls (replacement board depending on continued agreement of the landowners) and The Lawns recreation ground, Old School (Community Centre), and a full village map. In future, other than the board at the Lawns and insurance cover for each new installation the cost of these will be met by BH.

### POLICY WORK:

I am currently working through a review of all BPC policies, existing and additional which may be required, to ensure we are compliant with statutory regulations before we consider an application for a quality council award (foundation level).

Currently working on the following policies, new & revisions: Training policy, Complaints Policy, and the BPC Financial Regulations. All new drafts can be reviewed by the BPC Strategy & Governance Committee or Full Council whichever meets soonest.

### BOOKINGS @ THE MUGA:

Several regular bookings mean the court will be closed to the public at the same time, this is difficult to guarantee due to the fact it is never locked. Booking as follows For February onwards:

- Tuesdays 7.00 to 8.45 Chudleigh Canon Netball
- Various usage from Newton Abbot Rugby club and Teignmouth Youth AFC for training when their own pitches are water-logged.
- Power hooping classes are due to restart in April, these will be at 9-10am on Sundays, approximately 3 each month.

### DEFIBRILLATORS:

Agreement in principle to install a unit at Cockhaven Arms, agreement given. Purchase and installation to be confirmed when funds for another unit are available.

Regular Inspections: Each defibrillator unit requires a monthly inspection to ensure it is fully operational and Eddy is wishing to step down. Kindly, a couple of volunteers have now come forward and we regularly touch base.

### TIDY TEIGNBRIDGE FUND – FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Grant funding has been approved, £685.00 will be paid by TDC to BPC in April 2023. This covers a quote which was provided for weed clearance and possible repointing of the raised pavement on Shute Hill. I believe this work is being carried out this week, will touch base with the contractor next week and have AMC member/s inspect the work.

### FURTHER MEETINGS – FOR INFORMATION/TO BE ARRANGED:

- **Full Council:** Monday 3 April 7.30pm @ BCC
- **Planning Committee:** Monday 17 April 7.00pm @ BCC

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- **Annual Meeting of the Parish Council:** Monday 22 May 7.30pm @ BCC
- **BCC Regeneration Joint Committee:** TBC
- **Next Full Council:** Monday 6 June – 7.30pm @ BCC
- **PACT:** Monday 3 April 10.30am Otter Jacks Patch and Thursday 4 May 11am The Old Commercial.  
Further session to be arranged after the election.

### FOR INFO:

For direct contact either phone: 07483 149812, 9am to 1pm, Monday to Thursday. or email: [clerk@bishopsteignton-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@bishopsteignton-pc.gov.uk)

Majority of my weekly hours will be worked from home, but I do intend to occasionally work from the Bishopsteignton Heritage Hub/visit the parish. I will always ensure Cllr. Head knows when I am there, and when I leave, in accordance with the BPC Lone Working Policy.