

Appendix 1

District Councillors Report to STC June 2024

We are now in the seasonal set up for waste bin collections, with beach collections in place and the plan is to have a static in Town to keep going round to reduce any build up, also a later collection. I am reviewing the summer schedules with Officers next week. Also looking at the road sweeping schedules. We are also looking at the siting of mechanical roadsweepers to improve efficiency and effectiveness.

The Localities Officers are also checking the area and clearing if issues arise, and keeping a close eye on all aspects of their responsibility, such as play areas etc.

There have still been some problems with waste bins including dog bins having large bags of rubbish pushed in them and some dumped beside. If seen dumping household waste it is fly tipping and steps will be taken.

A reminder to all to ensure that reports of full bins should be made via the SHDC website, also let me or Sam know of problem areas.

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I have had complaints of an increase in dog fouling in areas such as Courtenay Park. Unfortunately, a minority of inconsiderate dog owners spoil it for everyone. I have asked Officers to consider what additional steps can be taken to deal with this and for the Localities Officers to check areas.

----- Pre-Application Advice

The District Council Planning pre-application service is a paid for scheme, with a scale of charges, and information is required to be submitted such as location plan, plans/sketches of proposed development, photographs if it puts the development in context. It is aimed at giving applicants, architects and developers clear advice about whether the Council would be likely to support a proposal.

It is important to note that this service is for the provision of advice - it is not an approval service and all advice is given without prejudice to any decision the Council may make on any subsequent application.

Publication of pre-applications

Following a pre-app enquiry, if a subsequent planning application is made on the site, the pre-app will usually be made available for public inspection, on the planning application webpage. This will include any response made by the Council.

Duty Planner

This is a 15-minute appointment with one of the Development Management Planning Officers or Heritage Officers by telephone. No written advice is provided and this cannot be considered

to constitute either Pre-application advice or confirmation that Planning Permission is not required on behalf of the Local Planning Authority.

There is information available about this on the SHDC website within Planning.



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POLICE



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Kingsbridge & Salcombe Neighbourhood Policing Team

May / June 2024 Police Summary

Between the 1st of May and 26th June 2024, Police have had 26 incidents either reported by the public via calls, emails and website reporting, or submitted by officers on attendance. Included in this are two admin occurrence around Alcohol Licensing activity and two around Firearms Licencing renewal. Due to data protection laws, I cannot provide specifics about the incidents, but to summarise:

These occurrences included a road traffic collision, a low number of alcohol-related incidents including drunk & disorderly behaviour and some assaults carried out by drunk persons. There were several domestic disturbances and one instance of a person in possession of an offensive weapon and class A drugs. There was a report of a theft of an outboard motor, a burglary of a holiday home, a neighbourhood boundary dispute, criminal damage to a memorial tree, a road range incident and a citizen concerned over the manner of driving of the "Park and Ride" service. There was an opportunistic theft where an Ipad was stolen when set down momentarily: I would take this opportunity to remind people to be very careful with their property and remain vigilant on protecting their property, especially with the increased tourism summer brings.

I am pleased to report that PC 8011 Ollie BELL begins his service with Kingsbridge and Salcombe Neighbourhood Policing Team on the 8th of July. He will be joining PC's Cooper & Lonsdale and PS Wilkes. We are still aiming to recruit a PCSO to our team: it is an excellent opportunity for someone to begin a Policing career and I would invite anyone Interested in the role to contact me for a discussion about it.

I would like to remind everyone to report crime of an immediate nature through the appropriate channels such as 999 and 101. Calls for immediate service have to be triaged and managed by our Communications Centre who will deploy the most appropriate units. Attempts to bypass this system ultimately reduce the service that we can provide to the South Hams area. Though I appreciate the positive relationship the Police enjoy with Salcombe residents and Council, I must ask that officers are not contacted about Policing matters on their personal phones: they deserve to enjoy their days off and cannot always be on duty. If there is non-urgent crime to report (such as ASB) please do email the Kingsbridge Police Station email address: kingsbridge@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk, visit the Devon & Cornwall Police website or the Kingsbridge Police Station Public Enquiry Office.

On a more positive note, Police Officers from across the South Hams area will be engaging in high-visibility foot patrol of the Salcombe area throughout the busy times of Summer. Their aim is to positively engage with the local and visiting populations, deter anti-social behaviour and efficiently & robustly deal with any negative behaviour fuelled by alcohol. Police representatives are meeting with members of Salcombe Town Council on Thursday 27th to discuss key points of this.

Looking forward to a safe and positive summer working with you all,

Sgt 7136 Charlie Wilkes

CLERK REPORT FOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

26th JUNE 2024

TOWN CLERK

- **Street lighting in Market Street & Church Street:** these are currently still not working. I have been liaising with Cty. Cllr Rufus Gilbert to see if he can help to expediate the fix. He has very kindly been keeping tabs on this for me and he has advised me today that he has received a reply from DCC Highways Street Lighting Engineer. They have advised these lights are still out unfortunately due to a supply fault, which needs to be remedied by National Grid. They have spoken to their contractor today and requested they chase up National Grid and supply them with an update.

PROJECT OFFICER'S ACTIVITY

- Daily – Email, admin and general office tasks.
- Weekly – Check Mortuary Building & Jubilee Gardens Playground & record
- Liaising with Grounds Maintenance Team – Maintaining Tracker
- DYL at Batson – Trying to get SHDC to clean the road to ensure the DYLs aren't covered up and cause parking issues for residents.
- DYL at Ember Road – Liaised with parties concerned to check on and advise on progress (i.e. none).
- Cemetery Applications – Baxter/Drabble, Cranch, Minnie.
- Scribe Cemetery Evaluation. Attended presentation and follow up data transfer meeting with Scribe to assess the suitability for STC as replacement for current system. Recommendation & costs to be presented to full council at June's meeting.
- Scribe Civicy Application – Uploaded assets to the system to assist with evaluation and to ensure STC got first year's use of the system FoC.
- P&R Route Issue – Liaising with various parties involved. Liaised with Tally Ho re 20mph limited – agreed. Liaised with DCC highways over temporary bus stop and greater enforcement in Coronation Road of over-hanging vehicles. Providing access to James Allen's video for Cllrs.
- Vandalism of Commemorative Tree – Reported via 101 to register the 'crime'. Further, liaised with Sgt Wilkes regarding ASB. Outcome from the 101 report was no action to investigate due to insufficient evidence, however, the rationale behind reporting was to flag the issue to ensure the powers that be are aware of low-level crime/ASB and to assist the local police team in their bid for adequate resources. Charlie Wilkes advised he will direct his officers to visit The Berry when on duty in Salcombe.
- D-Day 80 preparation – Attended meetings and dealt with enquiries relating to the event.
- D-Day 80 - Ensuring appropriate signage was installed and maintained prior to the event and removed after the event. Certificate of posting returned to DCC.
- D-Day 80 - Involvement on the day to close and manage Whitestrand car park for SHDC (who had no resources to close the carpark themselves) and manage the road closure. Also assisted with management of the commemoration parade into Whitestrand.
- D-Day 80 – Recovery & storage of beacon gas cylinders.
- Removal of rodent bait box from Shadycombe cemetery – unknown where this came from.

- Request from DCC Highways re use of pavement in front of Crew Clothing causing a nuisance. Ask by Adam Keay to speak to both Salcombe Gin and Salcombe Coffee Co to stop using the pavement before DCC got official. Both advised, Salcombe Gin via phone with Jason Nickel and Salcombe Coffee Co face-to-face with Andrew Fowler.
- Public Rights of Way – Dealing with reports from residents and liaising with DCC PRoW team.
- Weed Spraying – Liaising with Grounds Maintenance Team to ensure follow up after spraying to clear up detritus. Beadon estate spray, but rest of town still pending as of 18/06.
- Council Hall Railings - Liaising with Insurers and Surveyor. Met surveyor on site. Currently sitting with surveyor to advise on cost of repair. Repair to be executed by insurers contractor.
- Cliff House Footpath – Dealing with report of collapsing wall and general state of the footpath. SHDC cleared the footpath of weeds and overhanging vegetation.
- Parish Online Profile Rights – Checking to see what activities are allowable under specific profiles.
- Retain wall Cliff House Steps – Informed SHDC Building Control (BC) as structure on a public highway. BC to send out surveyor. Removed plank that had become detached from the wall to a safe place.
- Cliff House Steps – Arranged for SHDC gardening team to clear the footpath. This is outside contract, but was one of the areas that SHDC said would receive greater focus. Work was completed within 1 day of reporting.

ADMINISTRATOR'S ACTIVITY

- Updating of Planning agenda compilation
- Minutes
- Daily - office administration – Town Clerk email inbox
- Reporting and Monitoring of 'reported issues' on SHDC / DCC portals
- North and South Sand retaining wall damage via Mark Long and Residents
- Loose copings to be fixed and secured at Clifton Place via Paul Chambers (SHDC)
- Road Closure of Sandhill Roads 12-16 Aug via Adam Keay (DCC) – to move to Sept
- Remembrance parade road and carpark closure preparation
- Retaining wall @ Cliff House steps – managing contact with owner of the Dower House and Cliff House and interested parties.

SHDC

OSSR Funding – there was £18,426.04 uncommitted funds remaining from the Batson Cross development for 'improved off-site sports facilities in Salcombe'. The funds need to be spent before January 2025; SHDC have made the following commitments:

Salcombe and District Swimming Pool

Following the Town Council's suggestion that the swimming pool apply for funds, SHDC received an application from them to lift, level and relay the existing slabs around the swimming pool and replace 3 timber framed windows and 2 doors with double glazed uPVC versions. This project will be funded in full - **£10,665**.

Salcombe Dinghy Sailing (Wind Project)

SHDC received an application from Salcombe Dinghy Sailing towards the purchase of a safety boat for use on their RYA On Board scheme for local primary schools (they've now got 10

schools signed up and provide free sailing lessons to 192 pupils per year) as well as on their other training sessions. **£1,500** s106 funding will be provided towards this project. The total cost is £2,000 for a second hand boat and they'd be putting in £500 themselves. As part of the s106 offer they'll be required to provide an annual update on the community benefits achieved through the s106 contribution, including the numbers of schools and pupils involved in sailing training.

Salcombe Yacht Club

SHDA received an application from Salcombe Yacht Club for the purchase of 4 new toppers and accessories to expand their sailing offer to the local community via opportunities with the local secondary school and sea scouts, as well as adult male learn to sail sessions (currently focused on female) and family friendly sessions. Having provided support to the Swimming Pool and Salcombe Dinghy Sailing to the level requested by the applications, the remaining **£6,261.04** s106 funds will be provided towards this project as a partial contribution towards the overall project costs. The total cost is £16,737.51 and the shortfall will be met by the club. As part of the s106 offer they'll be required to provide an annual update on the community benefits achieved through the s106 contribution, including how the sailing offer has been expanded and the numbers of people involved.