## **FULL COUNCIL**

## 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

## **UPDATES AND INFORMATION**

#### Councillor updates, conferences and events

Cllr Hladkij and Cllr Dredge – 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 - Community Safety Partnership meeting Cllr Dredge – 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023 – Devon and Cornwall Police Councillor Advocate Meeting (notes attached) Cllr Dredge - 25<sup>th</sup> March 2023 - Tea with the Commissioner for Police and Crime at the China Fleet Club Saltash for collection of certificates and celebration of voluntary work

#### General Updates

#### **Climate Emergency**

The Climate and Ecological Emergency Working Group is progressing the Action plan ready for publication. The next working group meeting is planned for 12 April 2023.

#### Anti Social Behaviour

The Town Council staff have experienced a significant increase of issues at The Watermark. A meeting is planned with the College and Police once schools return to discuss methods that can be employed to tackle the situation.

#### **River Erme Training**

Residents may have seen the Dartmoor Search and Rescue Team conducting swift water rescue training and an exercise on the River Erme on Easter Saturday. The water team train every month to maintain their specialist flood and swift water rescue capabilities. The team are really grateful to the Council for allowing access.

#### **Town Hall Frontage**

We are awaiting agreement with the other tenants, and hopefully the repairs and repainting of the front of the Town Hall will be commencing in the coming weeks.

#### **Community Share Day**

'Earth day community share - presented by IvyFridge' has been put together by the Community Connector, Cluna and the IvyFridge Team to raise awareness of the project and many other opportunities to learn and share. It is taking place on Saturday 22 April in the Library (AM), Makers Mews (PM) and other places around town. The Town Council have been supporting the fridge with holding funding on their behalf and other support in kind.

### Active Travel

PL:21 are progressing their various Active Travel projects and proposals (article below) with ambitious proposals that are gaining momentum to support those that want to be able to walk or cycle safely around lvybridge and the local area.

# Connecting Ivybridge: safe paths for all

PL:21 Transition Town Initiative has announced plans to apply to the National Lottery for a grant to make the paths in and around Ivybridge safe for all. Its vision is to create a network of traffic-free paths and quiet ways connecting Ivybridge with Plymouth, Dartmoor, neighbouring villages and the countryside, where families can walk or cycle and those less mobile can go at their own pace.

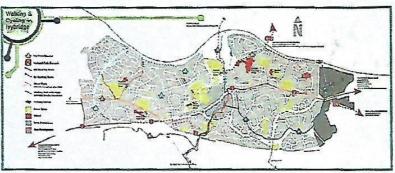
PL:21 is supported by lvybridge Town Council. It has teamed up with Sustrans, the walking and cycling charity which contributes to Government policy to make this application.

Many will have seen the Sustrans Street

Design Strategy which reported in 2021 and for which PL:21 secured the funds. This identified serious shortcomings in local paths: too narrow, incomplete or lacking proper crossings. Volunteers from PL:21 are working up a series of improvements to enable people to feel safe to walk or cycle into our town centre, the community college, Filham Park and the train station. Having held initial discussions with the National Lottery, it assesses that the scheme might be suitable for its Climate Action Fund (value £300–500,000).

PL:21 intends to work with local people and organisations. If you would like to contribute, please email us at pl-21@hotmail.co.uk. Please give your contact details, including whether you represent a business, school or community group.

PL:21 believes that this starts an exciting second stage of our sustainable transport journey to make our local area a healthier and happier place to live.



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From: Sent: To: Subject: Cllr Phillip Dredge 24 March 2023 15:25 Jonathan Parsons S Hams Cllr Advocate Meeting 23rd March 2023

Hello Jonathan,

The following topics relevant to our town were were discussed:

1. Theft of high tension cabled which is ongoing despite the police's best endeavours. It doesn't directly affect the town of lyybridge as I understand that the cables supplying power to us to do not have copper cores.

2.Ongoing effect on young persons of the death some months ago of a local student and I believe also the death of a child in a motor car accident.

3. Graffiti including swastikas.

4. Vaping with the alleged bullying of senior pupils of younger students to carry the equipment and thereby being less likely to be searched. There is also a theft problem from shops selling vaping equipment and a local supermarket has been given police advice as to where to store and display the associated goods.

There are times when Ivybridge is mentioned for problems which in fact come under the police area but are not within the town.

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