Cllr. Heather Houston Report

Traffic Matters

I attended the Budleigh Salterton Town Council Traffic Group on the 4th July. Matters involving or local to our parish include:

1. There is discussion around whether the pavement between East Budleigh and the Cricket Club could be expanded to include a formal cycle path, EDDC will look into the costs to enable discussion.

Drakes School

The school seems to be flourishing, even if numbers are not, and that may well be subject to change on the outcome of our latest OFTED inspection, with the school awaiting a further to determine possible Outstanding status.

I would like to ask formally for any funding possibility towards the new school play equipment, designed to ease access for our students with physical disabilities and remove the existing trip hazards. This is a project for this FY.

Clinton Devon

Since our last meeting, I have met in person with Dr Sam Bridgewater of Clinton Devon Estates (CDE). CDE are looking at further opportunities to enhance the landscape and whilst these may be minor or otherwise, they have learnt a lot of lessons and would like to carry out Stakeholder Engagement from a very early opportunity. More formal discussions may arise in September, but for now this was introductions only and we will look to involve the community at every chance as it develops.