

District Council Report June 22- Cllr Helen Parr

Congratulations and thanks to all those involved in the arrangements for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee events. It was a wonderful celebration, with a very happy atmosphere, clearly enjoyed by many members of the community.

EDDC meetings continue to be held on Zoom-

- **The Cabinet considered reports on-**

- 1. Commissioning of Landscape Assessment work re possible sites for a new town, in the emerging new Local Plan**

- 2. Ukranian Refugees-** EDDC is working with ED Citizens Advice and DCC re a support service for Ukranian Refugees. Local Government is tasked with checking properties of host households; carrying out DBS checks, and paying out subsistence payments.

- 3. The British Ugandan Asians Association-** the Association was granted a budget £5000 for their 50th Anniversary Celebrations in Honiton where Heathpark was a reception centre- historical records will be donated to Honiton Museum

- 4. DCC Urban Renewal Project- aimed at tackling decline in Devon towns. Seaton and Axminster are included,** and local Project Groups are being established.

- 5. Colyton Leisure Centre- proposals to restructure the operating arrangements with Colyton Grammar School were agreed.** Up to £140k will be contributed to works on the All-weather Pitch and Lighting. In return, improved Community use will be secured, including use of 2 Netball courts, and property and running costs to LED/ EDDC reduced.

- **The Scrutiny Committee considered two main items-**

- 1. A report on the Petitions from Sidmouth re Increased Car Park Charges,** and why they were not progressed, and the EDDC Petitions Scheme.

- 2. The Recommendations of the Personel Committee re the Learning Review** carried out by the East of England LGA [Local Government Association]

see <https://democracy.eastdevon.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=315&MIId=1915&Ver=4>

The Learning Review Report as previously reported was confidential, but the contents have been recently leaked and are published on Radio Exe website.

- **Lights in Dolphin Street Carpark-** the officer dealing with this, who can access the WPD Ref. no., is away. I am chasing an update.