

## **Statement to Resources PDS Panel – 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2016**

### ***2017/18 Budget – Will Peasedown St John be included?***

#### **Dear Panel Members,**

Each year we see millions of pounds being spent on numerous projects across the local authority.

All of which are carried out with the desire to invest in our communities and to improve the quality of life of our residents.

I'm grateful that the council uses a budget setting and discussion process that allows all councillors to contribute and make representations on behalf of their constituents.

It's for this very reason that I'm submitting this statement, and these items for consideration in the 2017/18 council budget.

Each week, I, along with my fellow ward councillor, spend time out in the community knocking on doors, meeting residents, and finding out what their desires and aspirations are for Peasedown St John.

This is their 'wish list' for the forthcoming council budget:

- The introduction and/or extension of: Huddox Hill, Wellow Lane, Braysdown Lane and Church Road double yellow line restrictions
- Braysdown Lane safety improvements at the Braysdown Lane/Bath Road junction (*this includes the road surface to be coloured red, bollards on the pavement to stop pavement parking, and dropped kerbs to help pedestrians cross*)
- Funding for minor works to ensure disability and buggy access to Peasedown St John's GP surgery along the St John's Close to Wellow Lane public footpath.
- £5,000 for a new bus shelter at Ashgrove (to replace the previous shelter that was damaged after a road-traffic accident)
- £5,000 to move the bus stop on Dunkerton Hill to a location further down the road, which will make it easier for bus drivers to stop.
- Wellow Lane/A367 'cycle path' improvements

- £30,000 for a car park on the Recreation Ground – which will massively alleviate some of the parking problems in our community.
- £30,000 for play park improvements in the Eckweek Road Play Area. These are long overdue.

Please do consider these financial requests from Peasedown St John residents for the 2017/18 council budget.

Yours,

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