

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council
held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,
on Monday 4 July 2016 at 6.30pm

Ward	Councillors Present:
Sidmouth North	Stuart Hughes Dawn Manley
Sidmouth South	Kelvin Dent John Dyson Paul Wright
Sidmouth East	Frances Newth
Sidmouth West	Louise Cole John Rayson
Primley	Simon Pollentine Jeff Turner (Chairman)
Sidford	Jack Brokenshire Ian McKenzie-Edwards (Vice-Chairman)
Sidbury	John Hollick
Salcombe Regis	Ian Barlow David Barratt

Apologies: Matt Booth, Michael Earthey, Gareth Jones, Marc Kilsbie

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 9.55pm.

PART 'A'

35 Prayers

Prayers were taken by the Reverend Roger Trumper.

36 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 6 June 2016 were signed as a true and accurate record.

37 Declarations of Interest

Name	Item Number	Type	Action Taken	Details
Cllr Frances Newth	43, Future of Sidmouth Victoria Hospital	Personal	Remained in the Chamber during discussion and voting	Trustee of Sidmouth Victoria Hospital
Cllr Simon Pollentine	46, Markets and Street Trading in East Devon	Disclosable Pecuniary	Left the Chamber during discussion and voting	Sidmouth shop owner
Cllr John Rayson	46, Markets and Street Trading in East Devon	Personal	Left the Chamber during discussion and voting	Chamber of Commerce member

Cllr Paul Wright	46, Markets and Street Trading in East Devon	Personal	Left the Chamber during discussion and voting	Chamber of Commerce member
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38 Matters of Urgency or Report from the Chairman

- The Chairman asked Members to stand for a minute's silence in memory of former Town Councillor Frank Hayward who had died recently.
- The Chairman reported that Sidmouth Town Council had been presented with the Youth Services Award by the District Council at the recent Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations. In addition, a cheque of £100 was received as a donation to the youth services budget.
- The Chairman reported that thank you letters had been received from East Devon Walking Festival and the Admiral Nurse Campaign in recognition of the Town Council's grant payment.

39 Public Open Question Time

- Richard Eley, speaking on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, reiterated concerns regarding the District Council's proposal to designate the whole of the district as a consent street.
- District Councillor Cathy Gardner asked about progress with regard to the Eastern Town Scoping Study.
- District Councillor Marianne Rixon commented about publicising planning meetings that had recently been held.

40 Police Report

Sgt Andy Squires presented the police report for June 2016 which showed a total of 40 incidents compared to 25 incidents recorded in June 2015.

41 Committee/Working Group Reports

41.1 Planning Committee Reports

Councillor Barlow, Chairman of the Planning Committee presented the reports of the Planning Committee meetings held on Wednesdays 1, 8 and 15 June 2016.

RESOLVED: That the Planning Committee reports be noted.

41.2 Tourism & Economy Committee Report

Councillor Pollentine, Chairman of the Tourism & Economy Committee presented the report of the Tourism & Economy Committee meeting held on Monday 13 June 2016.

RESOLVED: That the Tourism & Economy Committee reports be noted.

41.3 Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Councillor Cole gave a report regarding the latest work carried out by the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

RESOLVED: That the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group report be noted.

42 Reports from Members with Special Responsibilities

42.1 Finance Report

Councillor Wright presented the May 2016 Finance Report.

RESOLVED: That the May 2016 Finance Report be noted and agreed.

43 Future of Sidmouth Victoria Hospital

Graham Vincent, Chairman of the Trustees at Sidmouth Victoria Hospital, Di Fuller, Chairman of the Health and Social Care Forum and Dr Mike Slot attended the meeting to give a presentation to Members regarding the impact to Sidmouth of the changes in the National Health Service and ownership of Sidmouth Hospital.

RESOLVED: That:

- 1) Graham Vincent, Di Fuller and Dr Mike Slot be thanked for giving such a full and informative presentation and for all their hard work with regard to the Sidmouth Victoria Hospital.
- 2) Councillor Newth would report to the August meeting regarding the forthcoming meeting between the Sidmouth Hospital Trustees and the new property holders PropCo.

44 Delivering Economic Development and Regeneration

Alison Hayward, Senior Manager, Regeneration and Economic Delivery, East Devon District Council gave a presentation to Members on how to achieve economic development in the public sector. Richard Cohen, EDDC Deputy Chief Executive, gave a presentation regarding the forthcoming Port Royal Scoping Exercise.

The Chairman reported that the next step in the Scoping Exercise was a stakeholder meeting. So far the Town Council had been represented by the Chairman, Town Clerk and Councillor Barlow but he reported that there would be opportunity for other Members to become more involved if they so wished in the future.

RESOLVED: That the report from Alison Hayward and Richard Cohen be noted.

45 Beach Management Plan

East Devon District Council held its public consultation for the Sidmouth and East Beach Management Plan options at Kennaway House on Wednesday 15 June 2016. The Chairman gave an update on his attendance at the most recent Beach Management Plan Steering Group meeting held on Thursday 16 June 2016 and asked Members to consider the five Options as presented for public consultation.

Nick Jennings, Devon County Council, gave a presentation and distributed plans showing the current potential designs for a replacement for Alma Bridge.

RESOLVED: That:

- 1) Sidmouth Town Council supported Option 4(b) of the Sidmouth and East Devon Beach Management Plan.
- 2) Sidmouth Town Council supported, in principle, the plan for a replacement Alma Bridge incorporating a ramp on the Ham to a bridge further north of the existing.

46 Markets and Street Trading in East Devon

Members were asked to give their views on the East Devon District Council consultation which proposed to designate the whole of the district as a consent street. This item had been previously discussed at the Tourism & Economy meeting held on Monday 13 June.

RESOLVED: That Sidmouth Town Council does not support any extension of Consent Street status in Sidmouth.

47 Parishes Together Fund

At the June meeting Members were asked to consider a funding application received from Sidmouth Netball Club. This item was deferred until this meeting of the Council for the Town Clerk to liaise with the applicant regarding total cost of the project and any other funding being applied for.

RESOLVED: That Sidmouth Town Council supports the creation of a junior netball team with an application to the Parishes Together Fund in the sum of £1,846.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL