

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL



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To: All Members of the Town Council
District Councillors for Sidmouth not on the Town Council
County Councillor for Sidmouth not on the Town Council
Town Clerk

24 November 2014

Dear Sir/Madam,

Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council Monday 1 December 2014 at 6.30pm

You are hereby summoned to attend the above meeting to be held in the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth. It is proposed that the matters set out on the agenda below will be considered at the meeting and resolution or resolutions passed as the Council considers appropriate.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Holland', written over a horizontal line.

Christopher E Holland
Town Clerk

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| | <u>PART 'A'</u> | |
| 1 | Prayers
Prayers will be taken by the Reverend Mark Barrett. | |
| 2 | Apologies
To receive any apologies for absence. | |
| 3 | Minutes
To confirm the minutes of the meetings of the Town Council held on Monday 3 November 2014. | 5 – 9 |
| 4 | Declarations of Interest
To receive any Members' declarations of interest in respect of items on the agenda.
Note: You must also declare the nature of any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests in an item whenever it becomes apparent that you have an interest in the business being considered. | |
| 5 | Matters of Urgency or Report from the Chairman
To consider any items that in the opinion of the Chairman should be dealt with as matters of urgency because of special circumstances. (Note: such circumstances need to be recorded in the minutes). | |

6 **Exclusion of the Public**

To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including the press) have been excluded. There is one item which the Clerk recommends should be dealt with in this way.

7 **Public Open Question Time**

In accordance with Sidmouth Town Council Standing Orders Item 1 (d) – (i) Members of the Public are invited to put a question (one per person), to the Council through the Chairman (taking no more than 3 minutes each and for a total of 15 minutes). Please note that in accordance with standing order 1(d), a question shall not require a response or debate.

Councillors also have the opportunity to ask questions of the County and District Members during this item whilst giving priority to Members of the public.

(Members are reminded to notify the Councillor concerned and the Clerk of questions to be raised. The Clerk would also appreciate copies of Questions and Responses if of a complicated nature, preferably by email.)

8 **Police Report**

To receive the November 2014 Police Report.

(Members are asked to notify Sergeant Andrew Squires and the Clerk of questions to be raised in advance of the meeting where possible.)

9 **Committee/Working Group Reports**

9.1 Planning Committee Reports

To receive the reports of the Planning Committee meetings held on Wednesdays 5 and 19 November 2014.

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9.2 Youth Provision Working Group

To receive a report from Councillor Ann Liverton on the work of the group so far.

9.3 Property & Maintenance Committee Reports

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To receive the reports of the Property & Maintenance Committee meeting held on Monday 10 November 2014.

10 **Reports from Members with Special Responsibilities**

10.1 Finance Report

To receive the Finance Report for October 2014.

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10.2 Improvements to A303

Councillor Dyson will report on his attendance at a recent Devon County Council consultation meeting regarding proposed improvements to A303.

10.3 Other Reports from Members with Special Responsibilities

To receive other notified reports from other Members.

11 **Sidmouth Beach Management Plan**

Keith Steele, EDDC will attend this meeting to give an update regarding the Sidmouth Beach Management Plan.

Members are reminded that minute number 201 from the Town Council meeting held on 7 January 2013 read as follows:

EDDC officer Keith Steele attended the meeting and gave an explanation and update on the Beach Management Plan so that Members could consider this issue prior to the budget meeting.

RESOLVED: That whilst Sidmouth Town Council support the Beach Management Plan in principle any financial contribution from the Town Council would not be considered until after the brief had been completed and the shortfall to the tender was known. A representative of the Town Council should be included in any Beach Management Plan Committee/Working group to take part in discussions.

12 **Woolbrook Cycle Link**

Mike Baker, Principal Engineer for Jacobs working for Devon County Council will present the latest scheme proposals to the Council, and to seek comments on the route of a temporary footpath around the works whilst the works are being carried out. The link is part of the Section 106 Sports allocation voted for by the public.

13 **Local Government Boundary Commission**

Mr Phil Norrey, Devon County Council has written to inform us that the Commission has opened its consultation inviting proposals for a new pattern of electoral divisions for Devon. The Commission is minded to recommend that 60 County Councillors should be elected to Devon County Council in future. The Commission now invites proposals from the council, interested parties and members of the public on a pattern of electoral divisions to accommodate those councillors. The consultation will end on 19 January 2015.

Further details about the review are available on the website at www.lgbce.org.uk where there is information about how to get involved and the kind of evidence the Commission is seeking in support of any proposed division patterns.

14 **Defibrillators**

To receive a report from Councillor Barratt.

15 **Use of Long Park by Sidmouth Rugby Club Juniors**

Chris FitzHenry, Sidmouth RFC Juniors has written to request use of Long Park on Sunday mornings for some of the junior rugby teams this season. He wrote that: 'The two pitches at Sidford are out of use due to re-development work, and will remain so until next season. With 11 teams of youngsters looking to play or train on a Sunday morning, this has meant we are very short of space, a situation now compounded by the wet weather and over-use of our remaining pitches.

I am aware Long Park is a public space and used by the football club, so it would be inappropriate to have the larger teams using it as they are likely to damage it. If we were permitted to go ahead I would propose it is used by only the Under 7s & 8s, who play tag rugby (similar to playing 'catch' but with a rugby ball!) and the Under 9s & 10s. The Under 9s & 10s do play rugby, but in small teams and they do not have large scrums which tend to damage wet ground.'

16 **Exclusion Of The Public And Press**

The Vice-Chairman of the Council to move the following:

“that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of its contents.”

PART ‘B’

17 **Youth Provision Working Group**

Councillor Ann Liverton to give a report on the financial and staff implications resulting from the first meetings of the Youth Provision Working group.

Forthcoming Council and Committee meetings:

- 3 December 2014 – Planning Committee
- 8 December 2014 – Tourism & Economy Committee
- 17 December 2014 – Planning Committee
- 5 January 2015 – Council
- 7 January 2015 – Planning Committee
- 19 January 2015 – Council (Grants and Estimates)
- 21 January 2015 – Planning Committee