

**SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council**  
**held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,**  
**on Monday 2 March 2020 at 6.30pm**

Ward	Councillors Present:
Sidmouth North	Charissa Evans
	Stuart Hughes
	Dawn Manley
	Jenny Ware
Sidmouth South	Denise Bickley
	Kelvin Dent
	Chris Lockyear
	John Rayson
	Paul Wright (Vice-Chair)
Sidmouth West	Louise Cole
Primley	Deirdre Hounsom
	Emma Murdoch
	Jeff Turner
Sidford	Jack Brokenshire
Sidbury	John Loudoun
Salcombe Regis	Ian Barlow (Chair)
Apologies:	David Barratt, Marianne Rixson, Louise Thompson

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 7.05pm.

## **PART 'A'**

### **126 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 3 February 2020 were signed as a true and accurate record.

### **127 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest received for items on this agenda.

### **128 Matter of Urgency or Report from the Chair**

- The Informal meeting will be held at 6.30pm on Monday 30 March 2020.
- The Pre-Budget meeting date will be moved from 19 October to 26 October.
- The Chairman reported that the Town Council had received much praise for the street cleansing contract being carried out by their contractor and Members were asked to notify the Town Clerk of any areas which should receive focus.

### **129 Public Open Question Time**

There were no questions from members of the public.

### **130 Police Report**

Sgt Andy Squires presented the February police report which showed a decrease of 34% from 47 crimes in February 2019 to 31 in February 2020.

The Chair thanked Sgt Squires for all his hard work over the years and the service he and his unit have given to Sidmouth and wished him well in his retirement.

Sgt Squires was presented with a gift from the Town Council.

**131 Committee/Working Group Reports**

131.1 Planning Committee Reports

Councillor Dent, Chair of Planning Committee, the presented the reports of the Planning Committee meetings held on Wednesdays 5 and 19 February 2020.

**RESOLVED:** That the Planning Committee reports be noted.

131.2 Tourism & Economy TaFF

Councillor Cole, Chair of the Tourism & Economy Committee, reported on the Invitation to Tender for Marketing & Tourism Promotion process.

**RESOLVED:** That the Tourism & Economy TaFF report be noted.

131.3 Sidmouth in Bloom

Councillor Ware reported on her attendance at a recent Sidmouth in Bloom committee meeting when members conveyed their thanks for the additional funding awarded from the Town Council.

**RESOLVED:** That the Sidmouth in Bloom Committee report be noted.

**132 Reports from Members with Special Responsibilities**

132.1 Finance Report

a) In accordance with section 2.2 of the Town Council's Financial Regulations Members were asked to note that the Deputy Member with Special Responsibility for Finance had verified the bank reconciliations, for all accounts, as at the end of December 2019.

b) Member with Special Responsibility for Finance, Councillor Wright, presented the Finance Report for January 2020.

**RESOLVED:** 1) that in accordance with section 2.2 of the Town Council's Financial Regulations, Members noted that the Deputy Member with Special Responsibility for Finance had verified the bank reconciliations, for all accounts, as at the end of December 2019.

2) that the Finance Report for January 2020 be noted and agreed.

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CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL