

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council
held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,
on Monday 2 June 2014 at 6.30pm

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| Ward | Councillors Present: |
| Sidmouth North | Stuart Hughes Dawn Manley |
| Sidmouth South | Kelvin Dent John Dyson |
| Sidmouth East | Frances Newth Simon Pollentine |
| Sidmouth West | Chris Wale |
| Primley | David Addis Jeff Turner (Vice Chairman) |
| Sidford | Jack Brokenshire Ian McKenzie-Edwards |
| Sidbury | Christine Drew John Hollick (Chairman) |
| Salcombe Regis | Ian Barlow |
| Apologies | David Barratt, Mary Jolly, Ann Liverton, Graham Liverton, Peter Sullivan |

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 7.50pm.

PART 'A'

21 Prayers

Prayers were taken by the Reverend Handel Bennett.

22 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 12 May 2014 were signed as a true and accurate record.

23 Declarations of Interest

| Name | Item Number | Type | Action Taken | Details |
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| Cllr Stuart Hughes | 28 Sidmouth Cycle Route extension to Woolbrook | Personal | Remained in the Chamber during discussion and voting | DCC Cabinet Member |
| Cllr Stuart Hughes | 29 Update on Sidmouth to Feniton Cycle-Walking Route Concept | Personal | Remained in the Chamber during discussion and voting | DCC Cabinet Member |
| Cllr Frances Newth | 28 Sidmouth Cycle Route extension to Woolbrook | Personal | Remained in the Chamber during discussion and voting | Lives nearby |

24 Public Open Question Time

- Cllr Addis asked for an update regarding the progress of the proposed installation of cycle stands within the town area. Cllr Stuart Hughes replied on behalf of the County Council, commenting that the Town Council should reiterate its objection to the installation of cycle stands on The Esplanade.

- Cllr Addis asked Cllr Hughes to confirm that he intends to call meetings of the Town Council Transport Management Group this year and that the County Council still has plans for a Transport Interchange for the Sid Valley if and when land becomes available. Cllr Hughes replied that there would be three meetings per annum and the next meeting of the Town Council's Transport Management Group would be held at 10.30am on Tuesday 19 August 2014. The County Council still anticipated that there would be a Park and Change facility provided in the future for Sidmouth.
- Cllr Barlow suggested that the Town Council should meet with other interested organisations to combine views and opinions regarding the forthcoming consultation on the Local Plan. The Chairman reported that he would be arranging a meeting to be held between himself, the Vice Chairman, the Chairman and Vice Chairman of Planning and representatives from other groups to discuss the Local Plan.

25 Police Report

Sergeant Andy Squires presented the police report for May 2014 which showed a total of 54 incidents compared to 51 incidents recorded in May 2013; representing a 5% increase. He also reported that due to staff reductions he would be responsible for Seaton as well as Sidmouth from now on.

RESOLVED: That the Town Clerk should write to the Devon & Cornwall Police Commissioner to raise Sidmouth Town Council's concerns regarding the need to share its Neighbourhood Manager with another town.

26 Committee/Working Group Reports

26.1 Planning Committee Reports

Councillor Dyson, Chairman of the Planning Committee presented the reports of the Planning Committee meetings held on Wednesdays 7 and 21 May 2014.

RESOLVED: That the Planning Committee reports be noted.

27 Reports from Members with Special Responsibilities

27.1 Finance Report

Councillor Dyson presented the April 2014 Finance Report.

RESOLVED: That the April 2014 Finance Report be noted and agreed.

28 Sidmouth Cycle Route extension to Woolbrook

Andrew Ardley, Transportation Manager (Policy) for DCC, and Mike Baker, Principal Engineer, Jacobs attended the meeting to present proposals for an extension of the Sidmouth cycle route to Woolbrook. Mr Ardley spoke on policy/funding/ procedural issues arising and Mr Baker (scheme designer with the partner consultant engineer Jacobs) dealt with any detailed design/construction questions.

A diagrammatic plan showing the proposals along with a brief description of the project (both originally prepared for the application to EDDC for S106 funding) were attached to the agenda for Members information. When the detailed design was finalised the scheme would be submitted for approval to the next meeting of the East Devon HATOC on 20 June 2014.

RESOLVED: That the proposal for the Sidmouth Cycle Route extension to Woolbrook be noted and supported.

29 Update on Sidmouth to Feniton Cycle-Walking Route Concept

Paul Hawkins, Sustrans Devon & Torbay Area Manager, attended the meeting to give a presentation and update following production of a feasibility study looking into the concept of creating a public path linking Sidmouth to Feniton in East Devon. The report was titled 'Draft' in recognition that such a study would inevitably have errors, and should be added to over time as more and new knowledge was gained. The route concept would take in Ottery St. Mary, Tipton St. John and Bowd. An extract of the report was attached for Members information.

RESOLVED: That the update report on Sidmouth to Feniton Cycle-Walking Route concept be noted.

30 Town Council Notice Board at Stowford

It had been requested that the Town Council consider installing a notice board at Stowford.

RESOLVED: That:

1. The request to install a notice board at Stowford be agreed.
2. Cllr Ms Manley consults with residents and Ward Members to propose a suitable location.
3. The Town Clerk ask Waitrose to consider sponsorship of the notice board.

31 Change of date for next Tourism & Economy meeting

Members were asked to note that the next meeting of the Tourism & Economy had been changed from Monday 9 June to Monday 16 June 2014.

RESOLVED: That the change of date for the next meeting of the Tourism & Economy be noted.

32 Draft Emergency Plan

The draft Emergency Plan had been circulated to Members and the Emergency Committee recommended this for approval by Council.

RESOLVED: That the draft Emergency Plan be noted and agreed.

33 S106 Working Party

The S106 Working group was set up by the Council to oversee the spending of Section 106 monies in relation to sports projects. Work was ongoing and after the recent public vote, projects were in various states of progress..

The District Council had advised that there was a significant amount of time sensitive funding for play provision in Sidmouth which needed to be managed in a similar way to sports provision. In order to keep the number of sub groups manageable, Members were asked to consider extending the remit of the S106 Working Group to include the allocation of 106 monies for play provision.

RESOLVED: That the remit of the S106 Working Group be extended to include the allocation of 106 monies for play provision.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL