

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council
held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,
on Monday 5 June 2017 at 6.30pm

Ward	Councillors Present:
Sidmouth North	Michael Earthey
Sidmouth South	Kelvin Dent
	Paul Wright
Sidmouth East	Marc Kilsbie
	Frances Newth
Sidmouth West	Louise Cole
	Sheila Kerridge
	John Rayson
Primley	Simon Pollentine
	Jeff Turner
Sidford	Jack Brokenshire
	Ian McKenzie-Edwards (Chairman)
Salcombe Regis	David Barratt

Apologies: Ian Barlow, John Hollick, Stuart Hughes, Dawn Manley

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 8.05pm.

PART 'A'

24 Prayers

Prayers were taken by the Chairman; Councillor McKenzie-Edwards.

25 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 15 May 2017 were signed as a true and accurate record.

*In the absence of Cllr Dyson, it was agreed that Cllr Turner
would act as Vice-Chairman for this meeting*

26 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest received for this agenda.

27 Matters of Urgency or Report from the Chairman

- The Town Clerk reported that the lease with Shared Access to provide telecommunications equipment and floodlighting for Sidmouth Football Club at Manstone Recreation Ground had been signed and a £5,000 contribution would be forthcoming as part of the agreement this would be held in an Earmarked Reserve for Youth Service Support.

28 Public Open Question Time

- Cllr Earthey raised concerns that Leisure East Devon had introduced charges for children under five to use the swimming pool in Sidmouth and that this would adversely affect young children learning to swim. He asked that District Councillors take this issue up and make representations to Leisure East Devon on the Town Council's behalf.

RESOLVED: That District Councillor Barratt would raise this issue with the District Council and the Town Clerk would write to Leisure East Devon about the introduction of charges for under-fives to use the swimming pool.

29 Police Report

Sgt Andy Squires presented the police report for May 2017 which showed a total of 57 crimes recorded compared to 44 recorded in May 2016.

30 Committee/Working Group Reports

30.1 Planning Committee Reports

Councillor Earthy, Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee, presented the reports of the Planning Committee meetings held on Wednesdays 17 May 2017.

RESOLVED: That the Planning Committee reports be noted.

30.2 Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Deirdre Hounsom gave a report of the work being carried out by the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Committee.

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

31 Reports from Members with Special Responsibilities

31.1 Finance Report

Councillor Wright presented the April 2017 Finance Report.

RESOLVED: That the April 2017 Finance Report be noted and agreed.

32 East Devon District Council – Recycling & Waste Team

Gareth Bourton, EDDC Recycling & Waste Contract Manager, attended this meeting to give further information on the District Council's new waste and recycling service which will be introduced from 12 June 2017.

RESOLVED: That Gareth Bourton be thanked for his presentation.

33 East Devon Arts and Culture Forum

The District Council had advised our representatives that the Manor Pavilion Management Steering Group had been disbanded and any matters would now be forwarded to the newly formed East Devon Arts and Culture Forum. The Town Council was asked to nominate a representative and deputy to become Members of this forum.

RESOLVED: That:

1. Cllrs Dyson and Wright be nominated as Town Council's representative and deputy on the East Devon Arts and Culture Forum.
2. The Town Clerk to arrange a meeting with Cllrs Dyson, Wright and relevant Members at the District Council to ensure that management of the Manor Pavilion remains in high profile and its importance is not lost by being subsumed into the East Devon Arts and Culture Forum.

34 Parishes Together Fund

Members were asked to note that the District Council had advised that the application forms, guidance and elector numbers were available for the new 2017/2018 Parishes Together Fund. This was a new funding year so a full allocation of approximately £13,000 would be available for Sidmouth Town Council.

RESOLVED: That Members would advise the Town Clerk of any projects they would like to propose.

**35 Parishes of Ottery St Mary and West Hill Neighbourhood Plan
Pre-Submission Consultation Draft – Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning
(General) Regulations 2012 – Statutory Consultees**

The Town Clerk of Ottery St Mary Town Council had written to inform that they were consulting on the pre-submission draft of the Parishes of Ottery St Mary and West Hill Neighbourhood Plan. As part of the Neighbourhood Plan process the Town Council were seeking neighbouring parish views on the draft plan. A copy of the draft plan could be found on the website www.otterystmary-tc.gov.uk under the Neighbourhood Plan tab.

Members were pleased to see that the Sidmouth to Feniton cycle link had been included in the plan as a community action.

RESOLVED: That the Ottery St Mary and West Hill Neighbourhood Plan Group be congratulated on their work to date.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL