

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council
held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,
on Monday 8 January 2018 at 6.30pm

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

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 7.40pm.

PART 'A'

102 Prayers

Prayers were taken by the Reverend Oliver Ward.

103 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 4 December 2017 were signed as a true and accurate record.

104 Exclusion of the Public

RESOLVED: that the classification given to the documents to be submitted to the Council, be confirmed, and that the reports relating to exempt information, be dealt with under Part B.

105 Police Report

Sgt Andy Squires presented the police report for December 2017 which showed a total of 51 crimes recorded compared to 31 recorded in December 2016.

106 Committee/Working Group Reports

106.1 Planning Committee Reports

Councillor Barlow, Chairman of the Planning Committee, presented the report of the Planning Committee meeting held on Wednesdays 29 November and 13 December 2017.

RESOLVED: That the Planning Committee report be noted.

106.2 Tourism & Economy Committee Report

Councillor Pollentine, Chairman of the Tourism & Economy Committee, presented the report of the Tourism & Economy Committee meeting held on Monday 11 December 2017.

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

106.3 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.

107 Reports from Members with Special Responsibilities

107.1 Finance Report

Councillor Wright presented the November 2017 Finance Report.

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

108 Town Maintenance TaFF

Councillor Barlow, Chairman of the Town Maintenance TaFF, presented the recommendations from its meetings.

RESOLVED: That:

- 1) The Town Council allocates £1,500 in the 2018/19 budget for the weeding/clearing of the main routes into the town.
- 2) The Town Council notes the agreement of East Devon District Council Streetscene services to provide a designated day each month which will be allocated for Sidmouth Town Council requests and issues.
- 3) The Town Council allocates £8,000 in the 2018/19 budget for the cutting of the same verges as those carried out as part of the Parishes Together Projects 2016/17.

109 Woolcombe House – Blue Plaque

Members were asked to consider a letter received from Sid Vale Association nominating Woolcombe House as being worthy of a Blue Plaque which would be affixed by SVA at their expense.

RESOLVED: That it be agreed that the Sid Vale Association may place a Blue Plaque on Woolcombe House.

110 Exclusion of the Public and Press

RESOLVED: 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'

111 Budget Update

Councillor Paul Wright, Member with Special Responsibility for Finance, updated Members with the anticipated outcome of the forthcoming budget following recent resolutions to make a number of increases to expenditure.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Wright's budget update report be noted and agreed.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL