

**SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the meeting of Sidmouth Town Council**  
**held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,**  
**on Monday 13 April 2015 at 6.30pm**

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

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

**PART 'A'**

**163 Prayers**

Prayers were taken by the Reverend Mark Barratt.

**164 Minutes**

The minutes of the meetings of the Town Council held on Monday 2 March 2015 were signed as a true and accurate record.

**165 Declarations of Interest**

Name	Item Number	Type	Action Taken	Details
Cllr John Dyson	172 Fire Beacon Orienteering Event	Personal	Left the Chamber during discussion and voting	Member of Devon Orienteering Event
Cllr Stuart Hughes	173 Red Arrows	Personal	Remained in the Chamber during discussion and voting	DCC Locality Budget and Sound System

**166 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.

**167 Public Open Question Time**

- Councillor Brokenshire asked County Councillor Stuart Hughes when the many potholes in the road would be repaired by the County Council. Councillor Stuart Hughes gave a full and comprehensive reply.

**168 Police Report**

Sgt Andy Squires presented the police report for March 2015 which showed a total of 20 incidents compared to 29 incidents recorded in March 2014; representing a 31% decrease. He advised Members that a significant number of Special Constables had recently been recruited and would be allocated to Sidmouth.

**169 Committee/Working Group Reports**

169.1 Planning Committee Reports

Councillor Dyson, Chairman of the Planning Committee presented the reports of the Planning Committee meetings held on Wednesdays 4 and 18 March 2015.

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

169.2 Tourism & Economy committee Reports

Councillor Pollentine, Chairman of the Tourism & Economy Committee presented the reports of the Tourism & Economy meeting held on Monday 9 March 2015.

**RESOLVED:** That the Tourism & Economy Committee reports be noted and agreed.

**170 Reports from Members with Special Responsibilities**

170.1 Finance Report

Councillor Dyson presented the February 2015 Finance Report.

**RESOLVED:** That the February 2015 Finance Report be noted and agreed.

170.2 Sidmouth Museum

Councillor Dent presented his report regarding Sidmouth Museum.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Dent's report be noted.

**171 Sidmouth Town Band**

Martin Cordy, Chairman of Sidmouth Town Band gave a presentation regarding Sidmouth Town Band and how the Town Council's financial assistance would be used this year.

**RESOLVED:** That Martin Cordy be thanked for his attendance and his report.

**172 Fire Beacon Orienteering Event**

The Town Clerk read a letter received requesting permission to use Fire Beacon for an orienteering event in May 2015. The RSPB had confirmed that he was in agreement that the event could take place with the constraints agreed with Devon Orienteering Club.

**RESOLVED:** That permission be given for Devon Orienteering Club to use Fire Beacon Nature Reserve on Sunday 10 May 2015 for an orienteering event.

**173 Red Arrows**

The Town Clerk gave an update regarding the visit of the Red Arrows to Sidmouth on Friday 21 August 2015 at 6.30pm. Councillor Barlow asked Members to consider underwriting the cost from the Woolley Bequest up to a maximum of £15,000. This commitment was with the intention of obtaining funding from three sources; one third each from SVA Keith Owen Fund, town businesses and Sidmouth Town Council. Any collections made on the night would be retained towards the cost of future year's visits.

**RESOLVED:** That Sidmouth Town Council would underwrite the cost of the 2015 Red Arrows visit from the Woolley Bequest up to a maximum of £15,000.

**174 Review of Financial Regulations**

Members were asked to review and approve the Council's updated Financial Regulations 2015

**RESOLVED:** That the Council's updated Financial Regulations 2015 be noted and agreed.

**175 Review of Risk Assessment**

Members were asked to review and approve the Council's updated Risk Assessment 2015.

**RESOLVED:** That the Council's updated Risk Assessment 2015 be noted and agreed.

**176 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'**

**177 Jubilee Tree Lights**

Members were asked to consider a letter received from the Council's electrical contractor.

**RESOLVED:** That it be agreed to pay the outstanding invoice for additional work carried out to repair and replace rectifiers and transformer units on the Jubilee Tree Lights.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL