## SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL Minutes of the Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council (Pre-Budget) held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth, on Monday 21 October 2019 at 6.30pm

Ward		Councillors Present:
Sidmou	uth North	Stuart Hughes
		Dawn Manley
		Jenny Ware
Sidmou	uth South	Kelvin Dent
		Chris Lockyear
		Paul Wright (Vice-Chair)
Sidmou	uth East	Louise Thompson
Sidmou	uth West	Louise Cole
Primle	/	Deirdre Hounsom
		Jeff Turner
Sidford	l	Marianne Rixson
Sidbury	/	John Loudoun
Salcom	be Regis	Ian Barlow (Chair)
		David Barratt
Apolog	ies:	Denise Bickley, Charissa Evans, Emma Murdoch, John Rayson

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 8.25pm.

## PART 'A'

#### 76 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest raised at this meeting.

#### 77 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.

#### 79 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'

## 80 Budgets/Estimates for 2020/21

Members were asked to consider the recommendations of the Member with Special Responsibility for Finance prior to the Budget/Estimate meeting in January.

A confidential draft schedule was issued to Members for their consideration. **RESOLVED:** That the draft budget be approved with the following additions and changes:

• That the sum of £9,600 for street cleansing and town maintenance be made available for an extended contract with existing providers; this to be taken from Earmarked Reserves for 2020/21 and added in the following years budget.

- The draft budget for Sidmouth in Bloom be initially increased by £1,000 and reviewed for inclusion in the final budget in January.
- The draft budget for Sidmouth Hopper Bus be increased to £13,000 as resolved at the 7 October Council meeting and following a review, an up to date figure be included in the final budget in January.
- The Environment Committee be given spending powers up to a limit of £5,000 per annum.
- The installation of 3 additional toilets at the Seafront Amenity Building be noted and agreed with the additional costs for cleaning and opening included in the final budget in January.

CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL