

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of Sidmouth Town Council
in its Capacity as Trustee
held at All Saints' Church Hall, Sidmouth,
on Monday 7 June 2021
on the rising of the Council Meeting

Ward	Councillors Present:
Sidmouth North	Charissa Evans Stuart Hughes Dawn Manley Jenny Ware
Sidmouth South	Denise Bickley Kelvin Dent Chris Lockyear (Vice Chair) Hilary Nelson Rachel Perram
Sidmouth East	Steven Kendall-Torry
Primley	Deirdre Hounsom Jeff Turner
Sidford	Jack Brokenshire Marianne Rixson
Salcombe Regis	Ian Barlow (Chair) Richard Thurlow
Apologies:	Louise Cole, John Loudoun, Emma Murdoch

The meeting started at 7.20pm and finished at 7.55pm.

PART 'A'

1 Minutes

The minutes of the Trustee meetings held on Monday 19 April 2021 were signed as a true and accurate record.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest received for items on the agenda.

3 The Ham – Project Update

In the absence of Councillor Louise Cole this item was deferred to a future meeting.

4 Use of The Ham - Checkpoint on Jurassic Coast running/walking event 20 June 2021

Justin Nicholas of Climb South West had written to request permission to use The Ham on Sunday 20 June 2021. They had previously used the Ham field as a checkpoint / aid station for runners and walkers passing through on their Jurassic Coast event. The participants would be completing distances ranging from 20-120 miles this year. Some were undertaking the challenge to fundraise for their chosen charities while others were participating just for the sporting challenge.

They used the Sailing club in 2019 but wanted to keep things outdoors this year while Covid restrictions were in place.

Climb South West would like to position a gazebo on the green near Alma bridge between the hours of 6am and 6pm on Sunday 20 June.

RESOLVED: That permission be granted to Climb South West to position a gazebo on The Ham near Alma bridge from 6am to 6pm on Sunday 20 June 2021 to be used as checkpoint/aid station for runners and walkers taking part in the Jurassic Coast event.

5 Use of The Ham – Fun Fair 23 to 29 August 2021

David Rowland Jnr had written to request permission to operate his Fun Fair on The Ham to coincide with the Air Show and Bank Holiday at the end of August. He had also offered to donate towards the firework display on Saturday 28 August at 9.30pm.

RESOLVED: That:

1. Permission be granted to David Rowland Jnr to use The Ham for a fun fair, dates and times as follows:
Mon 23 Aug – Move on to site and set up
Tue 24 Aug – Set up
Wed 25 Aug – Open 1pm to 9.30pm
Thu 26 Aug – Open 1pm to 9.30pm
Fri 27 Aug – Open 1pm to 9.30pm
Sat 28 Aug – Open 1pm to 10.00pm (Fireworks at 9.30pm)
Sun 29 Aug – Take down and move off site
2. The Town Council accept the offer to donate towards a possible firework display on Saturday 28 August at 9.30pm

6 Use of Ham – Sidmouth Jazz & Blues Festival June 2022

Ian Bowden, Festival Director & Producer had written to request permission to use The Ham for a Sidmouth Jazz & Blues Festival to run from Wednesday 1 to Sunday 5 June 2022. There would be daily soundchecks from 11am with afternoon concerts from 2/2.30pm and evening concerts from 7/8pm each operational day. If permission was granted, it was understood that a revised Licensing application would be forthcoming in the future to the District Council.

RESOLVED: That:

1. Permission be granted to Ian Bowden to use The Ham for a Jazz & Blues Festival in June 2022, dates and times as follows:
Thu 26 to Tue 31 May – move on to site and build/set up
Wed 1 to Sun 5 June – afternoon and evening concerts (site closure at 11pm each day)
Mon 6 to Thu 9 June – take down and move off site
2. The Sunday evening concert should finish no later than 10pm.
3. An independent post event analysis should be carried out at the expense of the festival organiser.
4. Diversions of footpaths should be kept to a minimum during set up and site build and the main pathways kept open where at all possible, with clear signage used to show alternative routes particularly for wheelchair users.

In addition to their resolution, Members asked that consideration be given to encouraging parking out of the town centre and arrangements must be made between the operators and Devon County Council to prevent non-attendee build up on Alma Bridge.

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CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL