

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council
held at Sidmouth Methodist Church Hall
on Monday 24 January 2022 at 6.30pm

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

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 7.45pm

PART 'A'

102 Declarations of Interest

Name	Item Number	Type	Action Taken	Details
Cllr Louise Cole	SCCH Seafest 2022	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion but did not vote	Director of Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub CIC
Cllr Chris Lockyear	Sidmouth Science Festival	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Sidmouth Science Festival Committee
Cllr Marianne Rixson	Sidmouth Science Festival	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Sidmouth Science Festival Committee
Cllr Louise Cole	SCCH Coral Reef & Wave Border Garden	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion but did not vote	Director of Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub CIC
Cllr Louise Cole	SCCH Riverside Walkway	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion but did not vote	Director of Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub CIC
Cllr Louise Cole	SCCH Wallspace Project	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion but did not vote	Director of Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub CIC
Cllr Ian Barlow	SCCH Wallspace Project	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of the Wallspace Project Group
Cllr Kelvin Dent	Sid Vale Community Productions	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Acquainted with members of Sid Vale Community Productions
Cllr Chris Lockyear	Sidmouth Biodiversity Group	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Sidmouth Biodiversity Group

Cllr Marianne Rixson	Sidmouth Biodiversity Group	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Sidmouth Biodiversity Group
Cllr Chris Lockyear	Sidmouth Arboretum	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Sidmouth Arboretum
Cllr Marianne Rixson	Sidmouth Arboretum	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Sidmouth Arboretum
Cllr Hilary Nelson	Sidmouth Hospice at Home	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Trustee of Sidmouth Hospice at Home
Cllr Ian Barlow	Sidmouth Hospice at Home	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Trustee of Sidmouth Hospice at Home
Cllr Chris Lockyear	Vision Group for Sidmouth	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Vision Group for Sidmouth
Cllr Marianne Rixson	Vision Group for Sidmouth	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Member of Vision Group for Sidmouth
Cllr Kelvin Dent	Sidmouth Jazz & Blues Festival	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	In negotiations with the director of Sidmouth Jazz & Blues Festival

103 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.

104 Proposed Estimates 2022/2023

Member with Special Responsibility for Finance, Councillor Chris Lockyear, presented the proposed estimates report for 2022/2023.

RESOLVED: That:

1. the Town Council precept for 2022/2023 be set at £650,740 representing £93.58 Parish Tax at Council Tax Band 'D'.
2. the breakdown of estimates for 2022/2023 be agreed (as attached schedule).

105 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'**106 Grant Applications**

Members were asked to consider Grant applications for the financial year 2022/2023.

RESOLVED: That:

1. 2022/2023 Grants be allocated to organisations, as per the attached schedule, at a total of £21,000.
2. £7,050, £7,150 and £7,250 be provisionally allocated from the 2023/2024, 2024/2025 and 2025/26 Grants budgets as 'in principle' support for various festival and events.

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CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL 2022-2023 BUDGETS LISTING**2022 - 2023****Council Services**

Public Conveniences	£32,000
Youth Service Support	£44,500
Flower Beds, Planters & Watering	£16,000
Christmas Lighting & Events	£14,500
Donation to Christmas Lighting (Income)	-£1,500
Tourism Promotion	£50,000
Tourism Promotion (Income)	-£22,000
Verge Cutting, Town Maintenance & Weeding	£20,500
Verge Cutting DCC Grant (Income)	-£4,800
Street Furniture and Pedestrianisation	£5,000
Sidmouth Information Centre	£32,600
Water Fountains & Defib Mtce	£1,400
Dog Hygiene Bins	£2,000
War Memorials	£100
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Discretionary Expenditure

Grants	£21,000
Admiral Nurse	£5,000
Sidmouth Folk Festival	£35,000
Sidmouth Town Band	£5,000
Sidmouth in Bloom	£10,000
South West Museum Development	£800
Sidmouth Air Show	£12,500
Environment Working Group	£4,000
Covid-19 Expenses	£2,500
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	£95,800
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Woolcombe House

Services Gas/Water/Elec	£5,000
Woolcombe House Business Rate	£7,600
WH(Loan Interest&Repayment)	£14,890
Woolcombe House General Maintenance	£6,000
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	£33,490
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2022 - 2023

Other Freehold Property

Alma Lane Field	£200
Manstone Youth Centre	£85,000
Manstone Sports and Play Areas	£2,000
Long Park & Play Area	£1,500
Seafront Amenity Building	£33,000
The Arches East (Income)	-£22,500
Conservatory Maintenance	£2,000
Knowle Parkland & Amphitheatre	£20,000
Fire Beacon Nature Reserve	£7,000
Sidmouth Golf Club (Income)	-£5
Elec Pole Rent (Income)	-£40
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	£128,155
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Trust Property**The Ham**

The Ham Ground Mtce	£2,000
The Ham Other Mtce	£14,000
The Ham Play Equipment	£1,500
The Ham Reserve	£2,000
The Ham Utility Building	£5,000
The Ham 3Phase Power	£1,800
The Ham Rent (Income)	-£10,000

Manstone

Manstone Land Ground Mtce	£800
Manstone Other Maintenance	£1,600
Manstone Reserve	£2,000
Manstone Rent (Income)	-£1,380

Salcombe Regis

S.R. Recreation Field Rent (Income)	-£525
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	£18,795
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Members

Members/Chair's Allowances	£6,100
Chair's Expenses	£2,000
Members Expenses/Training	£800
Elections	£10,000
Civic & Hospitality	£1,000
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	£19,900
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2022 - 2023**Staff**

Salaries	£98,000
Pensions	£20,000
Project Support	£20,000
Staff Eye Tests	£100
Training & Conferences	£1,000
Officers Expenses	£500
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	£139,600
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Office Expenses

Postage	£1,000
Stationery	£1,200
Telephone	£3,800
Subscriptions	£2,400
Photocopier	£800
Internet, website and webcams	£4,000
Computer Software Contracts	£1,500
Computer Maintenance Contingency	£1,000
Advertisements	£500
Audit	£2,000
Insurance	£5,500
Sundry	£1,000
Bank Charges	£300
Bank Interest Received (Income)	-£300
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	£24,700
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Expense Group Totals**2022 - 2023**

Council Services	£190,300
Discretionary Expenditure	£95,800
Woolcombe House	£33,490
Other Freehold Property	£128,155
Trust Property	£18,795
Members	£19,900
Staff	£139,600
Office Expenses	£24,700
Total Estimated Precept	£650,740

Represents Parish Tax at Council Tax Band 'D'**£93.58**

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL GRANTS 2022/2023

<u>NAME OF FESTIVAL/EVENT</u>	<u>2022/2023</u>	<u>2023/2024</u> <i>(in principle)</i>	<u>2024/2025</u> <i>(in principle)</i>	<u>2025/2026</u> <i>(in principle)</i>
Sidmouth & East Devon Walking Festival	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
Sidmouth Carnival	500	500	500	500
Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub CIC (Seafest)	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Sidmouth Jazz & Blues Festival	2,000			
Sidmouth Science Festival	3,000	3,050	3,150	3,250
<u>NAME OF ORGANISATION</u>				
East Devon Support Group (Parkinsons UK)	1,000			
Oasis Café	832			
SCCH (Coral Reef & Wave Border Garden)	2,563			
SCCH (Wallspace Project)	1,000			
Sid Vale Community Productions	750			
Sid Valley Biodiversity Group	1,000			
Sid Valley HELP	1,500			
Sidmouth Amateur Radio Society	500			
Sidmouth Arboretum	1,000			
Sidmouth Bowling Club	540			
Sidmouth Hospice at Home	1,500			
Sidmouth Parish Church Patronage Fund	100			
Sidmouth Rugby Football Club	287			
Vision Group for Sidmouth	428			
TOTAL from GRANTS budget	£21,000	£7,050	£7,150	£7,250