

# SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL



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To: All Members of the Town Council  
Town Clerk

4 January 2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council  
in its Capacity as Trustee  
Monday 9 January 2023  
on the rising of the Council Meeting**

You are hereby summoned to attend the above meeting to be held in the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Woolcombe Lane, Sidmouth.

It is proposed that the matters set out on the agenda below will be considered at the meeting and resolution or resolutions passed as the Council considers appropriate.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Holland', written over a horizontal line.

**Christopher E Holland  
Town Clerk**

## A G E N D A

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<b><u>PART 'A'</u></b>	
1 <b>Apologies</b> To receive any apologies for absence.	
2 <b>Minutes</b> To confirm the minutes of the Trustee Meeting held on Monday 5 December 2022.	3 – 4
3 <b>Declarations of Interest</b> To receive any Members' declarations of interest in respect of items on the agenda. Note: You must also declare the nature of any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests in an item whenever it becomes apparent that you have an interest in the business being considered.	
4 <b>Matters of Urgency</b> To consider any items that in the opinion of the Chair should be dealt with as matters of urgency because of special circumstances. (Note: such circumstances need to be recorded in the minutes)	
5 <b>Exclusion of the Public</b> To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including the press) have been excluded. There are no items which the Town Clerk recommends should be dealt with in this way.	

**6 Salcombe Regis Recreation Field – Sidmouth Town Junior Vikings**

James Patmore, Chair Sidmouth Town Junior Vikings, has emailed to request permission to use Salcombe Regis recreation Field for the purpose of holding training and matches for our youth football teams between September and March each year on Saturdays and Sundays. Full details on the attached copy email.

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**SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the meeting of Sidmouth Town Council**  
**in its Capacity as Trustee**  
**held in the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House,**  
**Woolcombe Lane, Sidmouth on Monday 5 December 2022**  
**on the rising of the Council Meeting**

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

The meeting started at 7.40pm and finished at 7.45pm.

## **PART 'A'**

The Council, when acting as Trustee to discuss agenda items placed before it, considers economic, social, environmental and equality impacts as a whole and in making its decisions, seeks to strike a balance between the positive and negative impacts on the community in the Sid Valley. When considering issues, Town Councillors exercise their individual judgment based on the evidence before them.

### **10 Minutes**

The minutes of the Trustee meetings held on Monday 3 October 2022 were signed as a true and accurate record.

### **11 Declarations of Interest**

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

### **12 Ratification of decision(s) made under Delegated Authority**

Members were asked to note that the Town Clerk had, in consultation with the Chair and Ward Members, used his delegated authority to give permission to Tabitha Burhop and Adam Payne to hold their wedding reception at the Scout Centre, Salcombe Regis Recreation Field on Saturday 2 September 2023.

Both Ward Members and Chair of Council had agreed to this request and asked that consideration be given to the limited the size of the car park on site and make appropriate arrangements so that there are no problems caused by cars parked along the road. Arrangements have been made to use minibuses to transport their guests to and from the venue. The reception will use the Scout Centre only and run from 3pm until midnight, in line with 1st Sid Vale Scouts event rules.

**RESOLVED:** That it be noted that permission had been granted to Tabitha Burhop and Adam Payne to hold their wedding reception at the Scout Centre, Salcombe Regis Recreation Field on Saturday 2 September 2023.

**13 Use of The Ham – National Association Scorpion Open Meeting: Fri 16 – Sun 18 June 2023**

The Sailing Club had requested permission to use part of The Ham on Friday 16, Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 June 2023 for boat parking; timings were Friday 8am to 9pm, Saturday and Sunday 8am to 7pm.

The club had been asked by the National Association to host an open meeting which would attract entries from all over the country and would be part of a national series. In 2021, competitors came from as far afield as Nottingham and mid Wales. The boats would primarily be stored over night as they would be sailing in the day, the number of entries would be known before the event and therefore also the required space required, which would be kept to a minimum.

**RESOLVED:** That permission be granted to the Sailing Club to use part of The Ham on Friday 16, Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 June 2023 for boat parking; timings permitted were Friday 8am to 9pm, Saturday and Sunday 8am to 7pm.

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**CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL**

**Subject: Sidmouth Town Junior Vikings - Salcombe Regis Recreation Field**

For the Attention of the Town Clerk,

I am writing on behalf of Sidmouth Town Junior Vikings with respect to the potential use of the Salcombe Regis Recreation Field.

We would be interested to use the field for the purpose of holding training and matches for our youth football teams between September and March each year on Saturdays and Sundays.

The Junior Vikings is a separate club to the adult Sidmouth Vikings Football Club so we don't typically have use of their facilities at Manstone.

Currently we have use of the following facilities:

Training & Matches:

Newton Poppleford Recreation Field  
St Johns School

Matches Only:

Sidford (2 Pitches)  
Sidbury (1 Pitch)

The current committee has been in place since around 2018. Since the 2018/19 season we have grown the number of players from 175 to 260 in the current season. All our age groups are mixed, however this year we have added two new dedicated girls teams at U10 and U12. Our objective is eventually to have 2 teams in all mixed age groups (U7 - U16), 3 dedicated girls teams (U10, U12, and U14) and an U18 team to bridge the transition to adult football.

In 2018 we had 10 teams, this season we have 18 teams, and we forecast we will have 23 teams and over 330 players by 2026.

Since 2018 we have reduced the annual subscription fee from £100 per season to £60 per season and we have made the fee all - inclusive of training and match fees. In addition, we have worked hard to get a sponsor for every age group and every child receives a playing kit free of charge. Our most recent sponsor has been the ladies at the community cafe in Newton Poppleford who have paid for the entire U10 Girls playing kit, this is on top of coming down every Saturday to make breakfast and teas and coffees for the parents, they are a real credit to the community!

Our goal is to keep our cost structure as low as possible, in order to keep driving down the subscription fee and making football as accessible for all local children and their parents as possible and we aim to drive our annual fees even lower over the next four years.

As you can imagine we are always on the lookout for extra facilities.

We would like to use the field during the winter months from September until the end of March each year. We forecast we can fit four mini pitches up there which would be suitable for our younger age groups and ideally would like to use the field on a Saturday for Mixed Training and Matches (probably U7, U8) and on a Sunday for Girls Training and Matches.

We would be happy to work with the existing users of the field however our understanding is the field doesn't get used too much during this period. We would like to work with the Council to understand arrangements for grass cutting, we currently have Newton Poppleford cut about four times during the season.

If you can bring this forward for the consideration of the Council, I would much appreciate it, and please let me know if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

James Patmore

Chair

Sidmouth Town Junior Vikings