

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of Sidmouth Town Council
in its Capacity as Trustee
held in Sidbury Village Hall on Monday 3 April 2023
on the rising of the Council Meeting

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

The meeting started at 8.20pm and finished at 8.25pm.

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.

28 Minutes

The minutes of the Trustee meetings held on Monday 6 March 2023 were signed as a true and accurate record.

29 Declarations of Interest

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

30 Salcombe Regis Recreation Field – Biodiversity Plan

The 1st Sid Vale Scout Group had written to request permission to carry out various work at Salcombe Regis Recreation Field “so the Scout Group can work biodiversity and sustainability activity into the young people’s programme, but also to improve the ecology of the area for the local community.”

1. Create a 2m ‘long-grass/wild-flower’ strip on the southern edge of the field by the boundary.
2. Convert the existing camp-fire pit into a wet-land wildlife pond.

3. Create a new group (but smaller) fire-pit nearer the pavilion.

“I have included a sketch of the proposed changes to help visualise our proposals. If there is general approval, our plan would be to work with a local conservationist/ecologist to ensure we do all we can to maximise biodiversity of the plans.”

RESOLVED: That:

1. 1st Sid Vale Scouts be asked to move their new shed away from the hedge road boundary to a position behind the Scout Centre building.
2. Permission be granted to 1st Sid Vale Scouts to carry out biodiversity work on the Salcombe Regis Recreation Field; this must be carried out in consultation with the Sidmouth Biodiversity Group and Sidmouth Arboretum.

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CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL