

**SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council**  
**held in the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House,**  
**Woolcombe Lane, Sidmouth**  
**on Monday 14 October 2024 at 6.30pm**

Ward	Councillors Present:
Sidmouth North	Stephen Blakeway
Sidmouth South	Kelvin Dent
	Chris Lockyear (Chair)
	Rachel Perram
Primley	Hilary Nelson (Vice Chair)
	Kevin Walker
Sidford	Mike Goodman
Salcombe Regis	Ian Barlow
Apologies:	Francetta Bridle, Lorraine Brown, Bernie Davis, Paul Dodds, Stuart Hughes, John Loudoun, John Nicholson, Edward Willis Fleming

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 8.10pm

**PART 'A'**

**72 Declarations of Interest**

Name	Item Number	Type	Action Taken	Details
Cllr Kelvin Dent	76 Budgets/Estimates	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Lives in Neighbouring property to The Knowle, Member of Friends of the Knowle
Cllr Mike Goodman	76 Budgets/Estimates	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Lives in Neighbouring property to The Knowle

**73 Matters of Urgency or Report from the Chair**

- Cllr Barlow commented that the Science Festival had been very successful and suggested that a letter of thanks and congratulations be sent to the organising committee.

**74 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

**75 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'**

**76 Budgets/Estimates**

Councillor Lockyear, Member with Special Responsibility for Finance, presented the Pre-Budget report and asked Members for their comments and questions.

**RESOLVED:** That:

1. The Town Clerk, staff and Cllrs Lockyear and Nicholson be thanked for their work in creating and presenting the Pre-Budget document.
2. The Pre-Budget schedules as agreed by Members, be accepted and used as a base for compilation of the final budget which would be considered and set in January 2025.
3. The Project Support Earmarked Reserve be allocated as additional funding in 2025/26 towards Festival and Events Grants, Community Small Grants and the Sidmouth Regatta.
4. The poor levels of Street Cleansing to be raised as an issue with the District Council.

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CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL