

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting of Sidmouth Town Council
in its Capacity as Trustee
held in the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth
on Monday 4 November 2024

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

The meeting started at 7.30pm and finished at 8.00pm.

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.

13 Minutes

The minutes of the Trustee meeting held on Monday 7 October 2024 were signed as a true and accurate record.

14 Declarations of Interest

Name	Item Number	Type	Action Taken	Details
Cllr Ian Barlow	16 The Ham Sensory Garden – Gabion Art Trail	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	SSA Trustee Director
Cllr Edward Willis Fleming	15 Manstone Recreation Ground	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Friend and supporter of Jazz & Blues Festival
Cllr Stuart Hughes	15 Manstone Recreation Ground	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Football Club President

- 15 Manstone Recreation Ground – 2025 Sidmouth International Jazz & Blues Festival**
Members were asked to consider a request received from festival organisers to use Manstone Recreation Ground for parking of up to 30 vehicles during the 2025 Jazz & Blues Festival in conjunction with Sidmouth Association Football Club. Accommodation dates would be from Friday 23 to Tuesday 27 May 2025 and all profits related to overnight fees would be passed directly to the football club.
RESOLVED: That permission be granted to the Sidmouth Jazz & Blues Festival to use Manstone Recreation Ground for parking of up to 30 vehicles from Friday 23 to Tuesday 27 May 2025. The festival organisers and football club would be responsible for ensuring that noise and disturbance to neighbours was kept to a minimum and all refuse removed from the site.
- 16 The Ham Sensory Garden – Gabion Art Trail**
Members were asked to consider a request received from Sidmouth School of Art to instal a gabion art trail in the Sensory Garden at The Ham for up to a year. This initiative had been discussed with and was supported by the Sidmouth in Bloom committee.
RESOLVED: That permission be granted to Sidmouth School of Art to instal a gabion art trail in the Sensory Garden for up to a year; Sidmouth School of Art and Sidmouth in Bloom would be responsible for the ongoing maintenance and refuse clearance of installation.
- 17 The Ham – Expression of Interest for the future use of The Ham Utility Building Agreement to Lease Macerator Building**
Members were asked to consider granting delegated authority to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Council’s legal representative, Chair and Vice Chair to enter into an Agreement for Lease for the former Ham macerator building with Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub for a period of two years to enable them to raise funds to develop the building in line with their plans and submission previously received and updated. If funding was successfully raised, a grant of a five-year lease would follow; the Council’s legal costs in all these matters to be paid for in full by Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub.
RESOLVED: That:
1. Delegated authority be granted to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Council’s legal representative, Chair and Vice Chair to enter into negotiations for an Agreement for Lease for the former Ham macerator building with Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub for a period of two years to enable SCCH to raise funds to develop the building in line with their plans and submission previously received and updated.
 2. If funding was successfully raised, a grant of a five-year lease would follow.
 3. The Council’s legal costs in all these matters to be paid for in full by Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub

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CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL