



# SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

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To: All Members of the Town Council  
Town Clerk

23 February 2026

For information:

District Councillors for Sidmouth not on the Town Council  
County Councillor for Sidmouth

Dear Sir/Madam,

## Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council Monday 2 March 2026 at 6.30pm

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.

All Members are requested to read agenda papers in advance of the meeting. If any Member has a query about an agenda item, they should contact the Town Clerk, Chair or Vice Chair prior to the date of the meeting.

Members of the public are very welcome to attend and speak at this meeting during item 6 of the agenda. The Chair of the Council has the right and discretion to control questions to avoid disruption, repetition and to make best use of the meeting time.

Yours faithfully,

**Christopher E Holland**  
Town Clerk

## AGENDA

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### **PART 'A'**

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| 1 | <b>Apologies</b><br>To receive any apologies for absence.   |     |
| 2 | <b>Minutes</b><br>To confirm the minutes of the Town Council meetings held on Monday 2 February 2026. | 4-6 |

### 3 **Declarations of Interest**

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

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 **Exclusion of the Public**

To agree any items to be dealt with after the public (including the press) have been excluded. There is one item which the Town Clerk recommends should be dealt with in this way.

### 6 **Public Open Question Time**

In accordance with Sidmouth Town Council Standing Orders Item 3 (d) – (i) Members of the Public are invited to put a question (one per person), to the Council through the Chair (taking no more than 3 minutes each and for a total of 15 minutes). Please note that in accordance with standing order 3(h), a question shall not give rise to a debate or require an immediate response.

Councillors also have the opportunity to ask questions of the County and District Members during this item whilst giving priority to Members of the public.

*(Members and members of the public are reminded to notify the Town Clerk and concerned of questions to be raised. This arrangement is in place to enable a considered response at the meeting. The Chair of the Council has the right and discretion to control questions to avoid disruption, repetition and to make best use of the meeting time.)*

### 7 **Police and Police Advocate Report**

To receive the Police report (when available) and a report from the Police Advocates, Councillors Dodds and Bridle.

*(Members are asked to notify the Town Clerk of questions to be raised in advance of the meeting where possible.)*

### 8 **Committees and Working Group Reports**

#### 8.1 Planning Committee

To receive the report of the Planning Committee meeting held on Wednesday 28 January and Wednesday 18 February 2026.

#### 8.2 Tourism and Economy Committee

To receive an update, if appropriate, from the Chair of the Tourism and Economy Committee.

#### 8.3 Environment Committee

To receive an update, if appropriate, from the Chair of the Environment Committee.

#### 8.4 Youth Provision Committee

To receive an update, if appropriate, from the Chair of the Youth Provision Committee.

#### 8.5 Council Resources Working Group

To receive an update, if appropriate, from the Chair of the Council Resources Working Group.

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**SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of Sidmouth Town Council**  
**held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,**  
**on Monday 2 February 2026 at 6.30pm**

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

Apologies: None

The meeting started at 6.30pm and finished at 7:55pm.

**PART 'A'**

**81 Minutes**

The minutes of the meetings of the Town Council held on Monday 12 and 19 January 2026 were signed as a true and accurate record.

**82 Declarations of Interest**

Name	Item Number	Type	Action Taken	Details
Cllr Kelvin Dent	91.The Knowle, Sidmouth	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Lives in neighbouring property
Cllr Mike Goodman	91.The Knowle, Sidmouth	Personal	Remained in the meeting during discussion and voting	Lives in neighbouring property

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

The Chair reported and Members noted, a change in the Environment Committee meeting date from Monday 20 April to Monday 16 March 2026.

**84 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

## 85 Public Open Question Time

Paul Ryder, Sidmouth resident, asked three questions which detailed his concerns over the use of Stowford Community Centre. He requested some clarity from Sidmouth Town Council that the Community Interest Company (CIC) was functioning as intended and that the centre was benefiting local residents. It was agreed that the Town Clerk would respond to Mr Ryder with a written answer to his questions.

## 86 Police Advocate Report:

Councillor Dodds reported the breakdown of offences that had occurred in the month of November. The breakdown was;

- 35 Violent and Sexual
- 8 Non-violent
- 9 Antisocial behaviour
- 7 Criminal damage

It was also reported that Police intend to raise their precept by 5.2% in 2026/27. Councillor Dodds had also spoken to various other councils regarding the installation of CCTV in Sidmouth and was receiving advice on the best way to go about this.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted and agreed.

## 87 Committee/Working Group Reports

### 87.1 Planning Committee Report

Councillor Dent presented the report of the Planning Committee meeting held on Wednesday 14 January 2026. Councillor Dent drew Members attention to the concern over the state of the Sidholme Hotel as well the lack of progress and information regarding general enforcement issues within Sidmouth.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted and agreed.

### 87.2 Tourism and Economy Committee Report

Councillor Willis Fleming, Chair of the Tourism & Economy Committee, reported a meeting was scheduled with tourism promoter Ignyte on Wednesday 11 February to discuss the current Visit Sidmouth contract.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted and agreed.

### 87.3 Environment Committee Report

Councillor Barlow, Chair of the Environment Committee, reported that the next meeting would be held on Monday 16 March 2026.

### 87.4 Youth Provision Committee

Councillor Perram, Chair of the Youth Provision Committee, updated Members on the next meeting which was scheduled for Tuesday 3 February 2026 at 10am and the Police were attending to talk about the recent anti-social behaviour.

**RESOLVED** that The Youth Provision Committee update be noted and agreed.

87.5 Council Resources Working Group

The Chair of Council reported the next meeting was scheduled for Thursday 12 February 2026.

**88 Reports from Members with Special Responsibilities**

88.1 Finance Report

Councillor Lockyear presented the Finance report for December 2025.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted and agreed.

88.2 South West Water Update

Councillor Lockyear updated Members on the progress of the work at The Ham. He informed Members that he had met with both the Contractor and the Project Manager and was made aware they were currently running 7 days behind the program due to the weather conditions recently, however this was being closely monitored. The target end date still remains the end of June 2026.

**89 Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan**

Members were asked to consider a review of the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan with a view to updating and potentially modifying it. Councillor Dent, Chair of Planning advised that employing a consultant for advice on policies would be really particularly beneficial and necessary to deliver a review in a timely manner. Councillor Dent also made Members aware there may be possible grants available for this which he will investigate as well as estimated costs as this is still unknown at this stage. Members were keen to modify the plan for the protection of Sidmouth.

**RESOLVED** that;

- 1) the Council undertakes a review of the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan with a view to updating and modifying it as necessary.
- 2) the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chair of Council and Chair and Vice Chair of Planning, be authorised to appoint a consulta and agree their employment terms
- 3) the Council seek any grant funding available for the delivery of a review of the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan
- 4) Regular updates be made to Council

**PART 'B'**

**90 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.

**91 Former Council Offices, The Knowle, Sidmouth**

Members were asked to consider the confidential report issued with the agenda.

**RESOLVED:** that a decision be deferred until further appropriate legal advice was obtained.

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CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL

**SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee**  
**held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,**  
**on Wednesday 28 January 2026 at 10.00am**

Councillors present: Kelvin Dent (Chair)  
Jo Dodds  
Hilary Nelson  
Rachel Perram  
John Nicholson

Apologies: Chris Lockyear  
John Loudoun  
Edward Willis Fleming

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 11.30 am

**254 Declarations of Interest**

None submitted

**255 District Council Members**

It was formally noted that the participation of those Councillors who are also members of the East Devon District Council in both the debate and subsequent vote is on the basis that the views expressed are preliminary views taking account of the information presently made available to the Town/Parish Council. The District Councillors reserve their final views on the application until they are in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against.

**256 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on Wednesday 14 January 2026 were agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.

Arising on the minutes:

In the light of further information, Members gave further consideration to application 25/2579/FUL (Springfield, Cheese Lane, Sidmouth). They were concerned about a large window on the south-east elevation where none currently exists which would result in direct overlooking of the adjoining garden and causing a loss of seclusion, and privacy. Members requested that the proposed window be either removed or should be non-opening and raised above internal head height or glazed with obscure glass.

**257 Urgent items**

None received

**258 Applications for consideration**

**RESOLVED:** That in respect of the Planning Applications set out below, representations to the manner in which they should be determined, be made known to the East Devon District Council in accordance with schedule 16 of the Local Government Act 1972.

**259** 25/2596/FUL Mr Lee Clark Rosedale, Riverside, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8BR.  
East Ward Demolition of Garage and Outbuilding. Proposal to create 2no dwelling houses from a single existing dwelling with a two storey side extension.

**RESOLVED: NO OBJECTIONS**

Note: Members would like to see the reinstalled windows replaced with windows in keeping with the original style.

**260** 26/0026/FUL Mr Matthew Donkey Sanctuary, Mire Lane, Salcombe Regis, Devon, EX10  
Salcombe Regis Ward Maslen ONU.  
Replacement of the existing ice cream hut with a proposed larger hut.

**RESOLVED: NO OBJECTIONS**

**261** 25/2604/FUL Mr & Mrs Moss Overtoun, Hillside Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8JG.  
Salcombe Regis Ward Demolition and replacement of single storey extension on the east elevation, demolition of conservatory and first floor balcony with replacement veranda on the west elevation; construction of porch on the north elevation; demolition of outbuildings with construction of new detached garage with hobbies room over.

**RESOLVED: NO OBJECTIONS**

Note: Members would like to see a restriction imposed on the residential use of the garage.

**262** 25/2497/FUL John and Jackie Valley View, Sidbury, Sidmouth, EX10 0QR.  
Sidbury Ward Gay Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and attached building and replacement with 1 no. dwellinghouse, and detached garage.

**RESOLVED: DO NOT SUPPORT**

Members would like further consideration to be given to renovating the existing dwelling. If this were not feasible, they considered that the replacement building should be constructed in a similar architectural style and using materials that reflect the character and appearance of the original farmhouse.

**263** 25/2610/FUL Mr & Mrs Meadow Lea, Boughmore Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8SH.  
South Ward Morgan Demolition of existing garage, construction of a 3-bed detached dwelling with garage, parking and associated infrastructure.

**RESOLVED: OBJECT**

Boughmore Road lies within a conservation area whose distinctive character comprises houses sited on large plots.

Whilst the revised designs were considered to be an improvement on earlier proposals, Members considered that the scheme constituted overdevelopment of the site and was therefore contrary to Policy 7 of the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan (Local Distinctiveness).

- 264** 25/2486/FUL Mr & Mrs B 15 Arcot Park, Sidmouth, EX10 9HP.  
South Ward Sansom Removal of conservatory and single storey rear extension with replacement single/two storey extension. Front porch extension and new access door with covered porch to the side of the building. Addition of cladding and removal of chimney stack.

**RESOLVED: DO NOT SUPPORT**

Members objected to the proposed vertical cladding, considering it out of keeping with the existing street scene, and expressed a preference for hanging tiles. They considered the design failed to reflect the character of neighbouring properties and was therefore contrary to Policy 7 of the Sid Valley Neighbourhood Plan.

**265 Trees in Conservation Areas**

- a)** 25/2553/TCA Spinneybank, Sid Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9AH.  
Salcombe Regis Ward PROPOSAL: G1, Elm and Holly: dismantle, cutting as close to ground level as possible, 1 x Holly, 4 x dead Elm trees and 2 x Elm trees which are growing as a group and showing significant signs of dieback. 1 x Bay shrub and 1 x Elm: cut back in line with the garden retaining wall.

**RESOLVED: NOTED**

- b)** 25/2580/TCA Sanditon, Station Road, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8LL.  
South Ward PROPOSAL: T1, Sycamore : height and spread reduction of approximately 0.5 - 1m to a suitable pruning position, to leave a natural form; cuts no larger than 50mm.

**RESOLVED: NOTED**

- c)** 25/2640/TCA Garden Flat, 8 Fortfield Terrace, Sidmouth, EX10 8NT.  
PROPOSAL: T1, White Birch : prune and reduce the crown height and spread by 20%, removing branch lengths of up to 1.5 metres and making natural target pruning cuts of up to 30 mm. in diameter. T2, Pittisporum : dismantle in a controlled manner.

**RESOLVED: NOTED**

**266 Tree Preservation Orders**

Applications relating to Trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

None received

- 267 Notification of a new Tree Preservation order**  
None received
- 268 Appeals**  
None received
- 269 Unsupported decisions**  
None received.
- 270 Enforcement Letters**  
None received.
- 271 New East Devon Local Plan**  
There was no update for the New East Devon Local Plan.

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**CHAIR OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee**  
**held at the Council Chamber, Woolcombe House, Sidmouth,**  
**on Wednesday 18 February 2026 at 10.00am**

Councillors present: Kelvin Dent (Chair)  
Jo Dodds  
John Loudoun  
Rachel Perram  
John Nicholson

Apologies: Chris Lockyear  
Hilary Nelson

Also present : Cllr Ian Barlow

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 10.30 am

**272 Declarations of Interest**  
None submitted

**273 District Council Members**

It was formally noted that the participation of those Councillors who are also members of the East Devon District Council in both the debate and subsequent vote is on the basis that the views expressed are preliminary views taking account of the information presently made available to the Town/Parish Council. The District Councillors reserve their final views on the application until they are in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against.

**274 Minutes**

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**275 Urgent items**  
None received

**276 Applications for consideration**

**RESOLVED:** That in respect of the Planning Applications set out below, representations to the manner in which they should be determined, be made known to the East Devon District Council in accordance with schedule 16 of the Local Government Act 1972.

<b>277</b>	26/0143/FUL Salcombe Regis Ward	Mr Marc Newson	Canterbury House, Salcombe Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8PR. Retrospective householder planning application for roof replacement.
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**RESOLVED: NO OBJECTIONS**

- 278** 26/0144/FUL Mr John Springfield Farm, Sidbury, Sidmouth, EX10 0QJ.  
Sidbury Ward Northover Conversion of existing agricultural barn to provide a single dwelling house with associated parking.

**RESOLVED:** DID NOT SUPPORT

Members maintained the same opinion as for the previous application (24/2249/FUL)

The barn was considered dilapidated and unlikely to be capable of conversion without substantial extension, alteration, or reconstruction. The proposal was viewed as tantamount to a new dwelling in an unsustainable location within the National Landscape. Members agreed with the Planning Authority's reasons for refusal.

- 279** 26/0192/LBC Pauline Elliott Sidford Farm, School Street, Sidford, EX10 9PF.  
Sidford Ward Retention of a lift void in the floor and installation of a new lift.

**RESOLVED:** NO OBJECTIONS subject to the views of the Conservation Officer

- 280** 25/2619/CPE Mr Nigel Hillier Flat 1, Keble House, Connaught Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8TT.  
South Ward Certificate of Existing Lawfulness for the continued use of the front ground floor area as an office.

**RESOLVED:** NOTED. Members were aware that the reception area had been used as an office for at least 15 years.

- 281** 25/2579/FUL Ms Tania Springfield, Cheese Lane, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8RA.  
South Ward Puddicombe Extension to rear elevation to replace existing timber frame extension. Previously approved under 20/2429/FUL, lapsed.

**RESOLVED:** NO OBJECTIONS

**282 Trees in Conservation Areas**

- a)** 26/0158/TCA Flat 1, Norton Garth Court, Station Road, Sidmouth, EX10 8NY  
East Ward T1, Black Pine : reduce branch that has approximately 56cm long crack, maximum reduction of 1.5m, maximum diameter of cuts (MDC) less than 50mm diameter, via thinning to suitable growth points to lessen end loads; removal of branch with approximately 45cm long crack; thinning of lateral branch foliar areas by 10%, MDC less than 50mm.

**DEFERRED:** Awaiting Officer's Report

**283 Tree Preservation Orders**

Applications relating to Trees protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

- a)** 25/2602/TRE 14 Baker Close, Sidmouth, EX10 9YJ.  
North Ward T1, Ash: Crown reduction by pruning back the most dominant branches by approximately 3 metres, to create a more compact and balanced crown, as indicated within the email and annotated image dated 26/01/2026. (DR)

**AGREED:** As recommended by the Arboricultural Officer.

- b)** 26/0232/TRE Mr Paul Satterly 29 Witheby, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8SR.  
South Ward T1: Monterey Cypress - crown clean to remove any dead branches overhanging the road and remove any dieback from the main crown.

**DEFERRED:** Awaiting Officer's Report

**284 Notification of a new Tree Preservation order**

None received

**285 Appeals**

- a)** Appeal Ref: 6001019 25/1422/FUL 2 Sidlands, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 8UE.  
The development proposed is increase in roof pitch, addition of dormers to the south elevation, roof lights on the north elevation and addition of cladding.  
**The appeal is dismissed.**
- b)** Appeal A Ref: 25/2085/TRE 6 Lower Wheathill, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9UA.  
APP/TPO/U1105/110 19  
The work proposed is T2 Monterey pine: fell and undertake replacement planting scheme.  
**The appeal is allowed** and consent is granted for the felling of T2 Monterey pine.
- c)** Appeal B Ref: 25/1834/FUL 6 Lower Wheathill, Sidmouth, Devon, EX10 9UA.  
6003191  
**The appeal is allowed** and planning permission is granted for two storey extension to north east elevation and two storey extension to north west as permitted Ref. 25/0479/FUL with the addition of a single storey link and garage extension, including the felling of Monterey Pine tree and planting of eight trees and a native hedgerow.

**286 Unsupported decisions**

None received.

**287 Enforcement Letters**

None received.

**288 New East Devon Local Plan**

There was no update for the New East Devon Local Plan.

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**CHAIR OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Sidmouth Town Council - Detailed Income and Expenditure Report  
Month 10 - January 2026**

Cumulative

<u>CODES</u>		Actual Current Month	Actual Year to Date	Current Annual Budget	Budget Balance	To + / From - EMReserves	
<b><u>Council Services</u></b>							
1	4110	Youth Service Support	0	25,344	54,000	28,656	0
2	4115	Youth Provision Income	0	-750	0	750	0
3	4120	Flower Beds, Planters & Watering	0	16,817	20,000	3,183	0
4	4130	Christmas Lighting & Events	8,500	17,065	17,500	435	0
5	1000	Donation to Christmas Lighting (Income)	0	-1,750	-1,750	0	0
6	4140	Tourism Promotion	1,085	31,978	50,000	18,023	0
7	1005	Tourism Promotion Income	-2,959	-12,475	-15,000	-2,525	0
8	4150	Verge Cutting, Town Maintenance & Weeding	1,684	22,052	26,000	3,948	0
9	1010	Verge Cutting DCC Grant (Income)	0	-5,286	-5,100	186	0
10	4170	Street Furniture	0	0	2,000	2,000	0
11	4180	Sidmouth Information Centre	0	40,669	44,000	3,331	0
12	4190	Water Fountains & Defib Mtce	1,550	3,630	3,000	-630	0
13	4200	Dog Hygiene Bins	0	0	2,000	2,000	0
14	4240	War Memorials	0	0	500	500	0
15	4250	Parish Paths Partnership Payments	0	2,166	0	-2,166	-2,166
16	1020	Parish Paths Partnership (Income)	0	-4,230	0	4,230	4,230
			<b>£9,860</b>	<b>£135,230</b>	<b>£197,150</b>	<b>£61,921</b>	<b>£2,064</b>

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<b><u>Discretionary Expenditure</u></b>							
17	4301	Festival and Events Grant	0	56,700	56,700	0	0
18	4302	Special Funding Support	0	31,500	31,500	0	0
19	4303	Community Small Grants	0	20,880	19,030	-1,850	0
20	4350	Sidmouth Regatta	42	43,829	22,000	-21,829	0
21	1100	Donation to Sidmouth Regatta (Income)	0	-25,325	-10,000	15,325	0
22	4381	Environment Committee	0	6,274	4,000	-2,274	0
23	1120	Donation to use of Marquee (Income)	0	-50	0	50	0
24	4210	Community Projects	0	0	0	0	0
25	4410	Community Infrastructure Levy Payments	0	0	0	0	0
26	1130	Community Infrastructure Levy (Income)	0	-2,395	0	2,395	0
27	4423	Rayson Bequest - Fireworks/Light Displays	1,250	6,250	0	-6,250	-5,000
28	4424	Rayson Bequest - Natural/Sidmouth History	0	0	0	0	0
29	4425	Rayson Bequest - Party/Celebrations	0	0	0	0	0
30	4490	Woolley Bequest Payments	0	0	0	0	0
			<b>£1,292</b>	<b>£137,663</b>	<b>£123,230</b>	<b>-£14,433</b>	<b>-£5,000</b>

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<b><u>Woolcombe House</u></b>							
31	4500	Services Gas/Water/Elec	420	3,534	8,500	4,966	0
32	4510	Woolcombe House Business Rate	0	8,802	10,500	1,698	0
33	4520	Woolcombe House (Loan Interest&Repayment)	0	14,888	14,890	2	0
34	4530	Woolcombe House-General Maintenance	1,089	9,000	10,000	1,000	0
			<b>£1,509</b>	<b>£36,224</b>	<b>£43,890</b>	<b>£7,666</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b><u>Other Property</u></b>							
35	4600	Alma Lane Field	0	0	500	500	0
36	4610	Youth Premises Provision	45	4,502	62,000	57,498	
37	4620	Manstone Sports and Play Areas	199	1,762	3,000	1,238	
38	4630	Long Park & Play Area	103	2,348	3,000	652	
39	4631	Long Park Public Conveniences	1,505	11,472	45,000	33,528	
40	4640	The Arches	1,429	14,412	35,000	20,588	
41	4641	Arches Public Conven servicing	0	5,602	20,000	14,398	
42	1350	The Arches East (Income)	0	-22,996	-28,000	-5,004	
43	4650	Conservatory Maintenance	0	396	2,000	1,604	
44	4660	Knowle Parkland & Amphitheatre	3,500	17,499	15,000	-2,499	
45	1360	Knowle Parkland & Amphitheatre (Income)	0	-388	0	388	0
46	4670	Stowford Community Centre	0	0	0	0	0
47	4680	Fire Beacon Nature Reserve	0	0	0	0	0
48	1310	Fire Beacon Nature Reserve (Income)	0	0	0	0	0
49	1320	Sidmouth Golf Club (Income)	0	-5	-5	0	0
50	1330	Elec Pole Rent (Income)	0	-41	-40	1	0
			<b>£6,781</b>	<b>£34,563</b>	<b>£157,455</b>	<b>£122,892</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b><u>Trust Property</u></b>							
<b><u>The Ham</u></b>							
51	4750	The Ham Ground Mtce	133	1,814	2,000	186	0
52	4760	The Ham Other Mtce	1,166	5,318	10,000	4,682	0
53	4770	The Ham Play Equipment	0	1,969	2,000	31	0
54	4781	The Ham Utility Building	135	1,949	20,000	18,051	0
55	4790	The Ham 3Phase Power	0	4,896	6,000	1,104	0
56	1400	The Ham Rent (Income)	0	-12,389	-11,000	1,389	0
<b><u>Manstone</u></b>							
57	4800	Manstone Land Ground Mtce	73	1,130	900	-230	0
58	4810	Manstone Other Maintenance	0	821	1,600	779	0
59	1410	Manstone Rent (Income)	-223	-1,739	-1,640	99	0

**Salcombe Regis**

60	4830	S.R. Allotment Field	0	0	0	0	0
61	4840	S.R. Recreation Field	0	23	0	-23	0
62	1430	S.R. Recreation Field Rent (Income)	0	-693	-670	23	0
			<b>£1,284</b>	<b>£3,099</b>	<b>£29,190</b>	<b>£26,091</b>	<b>£0</b>

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<u>CODES</u>		Actual Current Month	Actual Year to Date	Current Annual Budget	Budget Balance	To + / From - EMReserves	
<b><u>Members</u></b>							
63	4900	Members/Chair's Allowances	0	6,149	7,400	1,251	0
64	4910	Chair's Expenses	0	1,228	2,000	772	0
65	4920	Members Expenses/Training	0	69	1,000	931	0
66	4930	Elections	0	0	1,000	1,000	0
67	4940	Civic & Hospitality	0	113	1,000	887	0
68	4950	Civic Regalia	0	142	1,000	858	0
			<b>£0</b>	<b>£7,701</b>	<b>£13,400</b>	<b>£5,699</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b><u>Staff</u></b>							
69	5000	Salaries	14,507	137,274	160,000	22,726	0
70	5010	Pensions	2,846	26,919	32,500	5,581	0
71	5020	Staff Eye Tests	0	0	100	100	0
72	5030	Training & Conferences	0	771	500	-271	0
73	5040	Officers Expenses	0	507	500	-7	0
			<b>£17,353</b>	<b>£165,471</b>	<b>£193,600</b>	<b>£28,129</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b><u>Office Expenses</u></b>							
74	5120	Postage	0	87	500	413	0
75	5130	Stationery	34	1,606	1,500	-106	0
76	5140	Telephone	1,365	4,505	5,500	995	0
77	5150	Subscriptions	60	2,982	3,000	18	0
78	5160	Photocopier	55	652	800	148	0
79	5170	Internet, website and webcams	0	4,680	6,000	1,320	0
80	5180	I.T. Software Contracts	123	4,080	4,500	420	0
81	5190	I.T. Maintenance and Equipment	227	4,554	6,000	1,446	0
82	5200	Advertisements	0	0	1,000	1,000	0
83	5210	Audit	0	2,080	2,500	420	0
84	5220	Insurance	0	6,903	7,500	597	0
85	5230	Sundry	239	554	1,000	446	0
86	5240	Bank Charges	10	183	300	117	0
87	1700	Bank Interest Received (Income)	0	-15,692	-20,000	-4,308	0
			<b>£2,113</b>	<b>£17,174</b>	<b>£20,100</b>	<b>£2,926</b>	<b>£0</b>

**Sidmouth Town Council - Detailed Income and Expenditure Report  
Month 10 - January 2026**

Cummulative

	Actual Current Month	Actual Year to Date	Current Annual Budget	Budget Balance	To + / From - EMReserves
<b>Expense Group Totals</b>					
Council Services	9,860	135,230	197,150	61,921	2,064
Discretionary Expenditure	1,292	137,663	123,230	-14,433	-5,000
Woolcombe House	1,509	36,224	43,890	7,666	0
Other Freehold Property	6,781	34,563	157,455	122,892	0
Trust Property	1,284	3,099	29,190	26,091	0
Members	0	7,701	13,400	5,699	0
Staff	17,353	165,471	193,600	28,129	0
Office Expenses	2,113	17,174	20,100	2,926	0
			-		
1076 Precept Received	0	-778,015	778,015	0	
<b>Net Income over Expenditure</b>	<b>£40,192</b>	<b>-£240,890</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£240,890</b>	<b>-£2,936</b>

200	<b>Current/Deposit Bank Accounts</b>	£1,407,623
	of which:	
322	<b>Woolley Bequest</b>	£2,963
323	<b>Rayson Bequest Fireworks/Light Displays</b>	£54,410
324	<b>Rayson Bequest Natural/Sidmouth History</b>	£65,709
325	<b>Rayson Bequest Party/Celebrations</b>	£64,208
320 to 332	<b>Earmarked Reserves</b>	£758,427
	<b>General Reserve at 1Apr24</b>	£227,673
	<b>Balance of Precept held</b>	£243,826
	<b>Control accounts</b>	-£9,067
	<b>Outstanding Year End Creditors</b>	

Hi Chris,

This follows on from our meeting with John Radford, Ewan Elsdon, Cllrs John Louden and Denise Bickley on Monday 9 February about the annual traffic restrictions used across Sidmouth for the Folk Week (SFW). The County Council is seeking observations from Sidmouth Town Council (STC) about the extent of restrictions used for this event and their proposed rationalisation going forward.

While some restrictions involve limited timed road closures for parades and processions, a significant part of the Traffic Order comprises parking restrictions. These type of restrictions have broadly grown over the years due to public representation and the Order now incorporates a variety of restrictions on many residential streets, some a considerable distance from Sidmouth town itself.

Public representations have cumulatively increased parking restrictions in the Order the reasons for which are wide ranging. These include facilitating traffic flows, preventing visitors parking in certain residential streets and to tackle anti-social behaviour from those who sleep in vehicles in residential streets overnight.

Some parking restrictions during SFW do not logically translate to being the responsibility of those managing the event as, in the summer, Sidmouth is naturally busy with tourists parking in and around the town and its suburbs. SFW attracts many other 'fringe events' with musicians and stalls appearing across the town often promoted by local businesses. These 'fringe events' are not under the auspices of the managed event but, nevertheless the perception is to bundle all under the SFW banner.

Representations have been made that the inclusion of so many parking restrictions outside the town are unnecessary to facilitate the event and, in certain cases, only act to appease some residents. In terms of legislation, restrictions for an event come under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and are only used to:

- Facilitate the holding of an event
- Enable members of the public to watch an event
- Reduce the disruption to traffic likely to be caused by an event

The current position is no longer sustainable and it is questionable that some existing parking restrictions adequately meet the requirements set in legislation. It is proposed to review all the parking restrictions within the current Order with a view to assessing which meet the criteria. This will then begin a process of rationalising the Order in line with the set criteria.

I have attached a copy of the detailed specifications used in the last SFW Traffic Order on which an assessment will be made. Observations and feedback from STC would be appreciated by Friday, 3 April 2026 please.

Best Regards,

**Richard Pryce BA(Hons)**  
**Network Manager (Operations Support)**  
*Highways & Traffic Management Group (CCET)*



# **TTRO Specification in Detail Sidmouth Folk Festival 2025.**

**From Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2025  
Until Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2025  
Unless otherwise stated**

## **ROAD CLOSURES:**

Market Square – Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 1930hrs to 2130hrs  
Market Square – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 1700hrs to 1800hrs  
Market Square – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1700hrs to 1800hrs  
Market Square – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August 1700hrs to 1800hrs  
Market Square – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August 1700hrs to 1800hrs  
Market Square – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 1700hrs to 1800hrs  
Market Square – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August 1700hrs to 1800hrs  
Market Square – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August 1700hrs to 1800hrs

Port Royal / Esplanade from Ham Lane junction round to Port Royal turning circle.  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August 1700hrs until Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August 0900hrs.

The Esplanade, from its junction with Peak Hill Road at Clifton Place to the access road to Market Square, Old Fore Street, High Street to its junction with Blackmore Drive and all of Blackmore Drive on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August from 1430hrs to 1530hrs.  
**This is a rolling procession.**

The Esplanade, from its junction with Peak Hill Road at Clifton Place to the access road to Market Square, Old Fore Street, High Street to its junction with Blackmore Drive and all of Blackmore Drive on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August from 1430hrs to 1530hrs.  
**This is a rolling procession.**

The Esplanade, from its junction with Fore Street to its junction with Ham Lane on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August from 2100hrs to 2315hrs and Peak Hill Road from its junction with Manor Road to its junction with the Esplanade. The Esplanade from its junction with Peak Hill Road to its junction with Fore Street on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August from 2030hrs to 2315hrs and Glen Road from its junction with the Esplanade to its junction with Manor Road Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August from 2030hrs to 2315hrs, as well as a requested parking suspension on Glen Road, on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August from 1800hrs to 2315hrs.

## **TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS:**

Bickwell Lane, Sidmouth.  
Temporary One-Way Traffic. Implemented by the AA.

From Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July to Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August from its junction with Bickwell House Lane to its junction with the B3176 to become one way in a northerly direction only.

Alternative route for southbound traffic to be via the B3176, Broadway and Bickwell Lane.

**PARKING SUSPENSIONS:**

Parking suspensions will be provided for the following roads:

- Bickwell Valley (partial, Cotmaton Road to Boughmore Road)
- Broadway – Station Road to Bickwell Lane
- Brownlands Road (partial, Brownlands Close to end of Cul-De-Sac)
- Bulverton Road (partial, Spit Up Lane to Bickwell House Lane)
- Glen Road (partial, Cotmaton Road to The Esplanade – 6pm to 10am)
- Ice House Lane (partial, Dark Lane to Ridgeway Mead)
- Knowle Drive
- Peaslands Road (partial, Station Road to Sidmouth Gardens)
- Redwood Road (north side only)
- Salcombe Hill Road (partial, Alma Lane to outside Cheylesmore)
- Southway (full length)
- Sid Road (partial, Redwood Road to Sid Lane)
- Station Road (partial, Fortfield Terrace to outside Grassmere)

**SPEED RESTRICTION:**

From Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July to Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August  
B3176 between its junction with Bulverton Park Road and junction with Spitup Lane.  
Speed restriction of 20MPH.