MINUTES

OF THE

MEETING OF

SIDMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

HELD ON

MONDAY 13TH JUNE 2011

AT 6.30 PM

WOOLCOMBE HOUSE

SIDMOUTH, DEVON

Members Present:

Sidmouth North	Councillor S. Hughes	(Chairman)
	Councillor Ms. D. Manley	
	Councillor P. Sullivan	
Sidmouth South	Councillor J.G.T. Dyson	
	Councillor Mrs. M. Jolly	
Sidmouth East	Councillor Mrs. F.I. Newth	
	Councillor S.P. Pollentine	
Sidmouth West	Councillor Mrs. A.E. Liverton	
	Councillor G.K. Liverton	
	Councillor C.H. Wale	
Primley	Councillor J. Turner	
Sidford	Councillor S.J. Brokenshire	
	Councillor I.J. McKenzie-Edwards	(Vice-Chairman)
Sidbury	Councillor J.W. Hollick	
Salcombe Regis	Councillor D. Barratt	

11:06/7 PRAYERS

Prayers were taken by the Reverend Graham Tarn.

11:06/8 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs. C.E. Drew.

11:06/9 MATTERS OF URGENCY

The Chairman requested that an additional item be discussed in Part B of this meeting.

11:06/10 Standing Orders were suspended for

PUBLIC OPEN QUESTION TIME

As no Members of the Public or Councillors wished to put questions

Standing Orders were reinstated.

11:06/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interest were received as follows:

11:06/19 Cllr Dyson – Member of the Folk Week Committee
11:06/20 Cllr Sullivan – Member of the Royal British Legion Committee
11:06/21 Cllr Hughes – Family member is employee of the Apple Tree Preschool
11:06/23 Cllr Pollentine – Nominee for the DALC Committee
11:06/23 Cllr Mrs. Liverton – DALC Vice President
11:06/23 Cllr Mrs. Liverton – Bicton College Governor with David Miller

11:06/12 MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman's diary, as attached, was tabled for Members information.

11:06/13 POLICE REPORT

As PC James Tyrrell was unable to attend this meeting, the Town Clerk read out the Police Report for May 2011. Councillor Sullivan reported that he had requested at the recent Local Action Group meeting, that if a PC was unable to attend the monthly Council meeting perhaps a PCSO would attend in their place. Councillor Mrs. Liverton raised the concern that it was no longer possible to have a 'quiet word' with a local PC.

RESOLVED: That a letter be sent to the Police on this matter.

11:06/14 COMMITTEE/WORKING PARTY REPORTS

11:06/14.1 Planning Committee Reports

The Chairman of the Planning Committee, Councillor Hollick presented the reports of the Planning Committee meetings held on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th May 2011.

RESOLVED: That the Planning Committee reports be noted and agreed.

11:06/15 REPORTS FROM MEMBERS WITH SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

11:06/15.1 Finance Report

The Member with Special Responsibility for Finance, Councillor Turner, presented the Finance Reports for May 2011.

RESOLVED: That the Finance Reports be noted and agreed.

11:06/15.2 Twinning

Councillor Sullivan reported that the Sidmouth Twinning members would be visiting Le Locle in September 2011 and requested that he represent the Town Council on behalf of the current President, Councillor Hughes, who was unable to attend.

RESOLVED: That a letter and gift be sent with Councillor Sullivan from the Town Council to Le Locle.

11:06/15.3 Jurassic Coast Forum

Councillor Pollentine reported that he had attended a recent meeting of the Jurassic Coast Forum and that information would soon be received regarding a new initiative looking for 'Jurassic Coast Ambassadors'.

RESOLVED: That this be noted.

11:06/15.4 Sidmouth Youth Council

Councillor Mrs. Liverton reported that the Youth Council had held a successful car wash and coffee morning on 1st June raising over £100 on the day, although she was disappointed that no other Members had attended on the day. The Youth Council AGM would be held on Tuesday 5th July at 6.30pm at the Youth Centre and all Members were encouraged to attend.

RESOLVED: That this be noted.

11:06/16 COUNCIL VACANCIES

Members were asked to consider applications for co-option to Wards in Primley, South & Salcombe Regis.

RESOLVED: That the candidates be invited to attend a special meeting of the Town Council on Monday 11th July to give a short presentation and be interviewed by the Members.

11:06/17 SID VALLEY PRACTICE – BLACKMORE HEALTH CENTRE

The attached letter was received from Dr Duncan Hall and following a conversation with Mr Rob Spargo it was agreed that this should not be reported to the Planning Committee but come before the Full Council.

RESOLVED: That representatives from the Sid Valley Practice would attend the August meeting of the Town Council when this matter would be discussed further.

11:06/18 BRITISH TELECOM – KIOSKS

The Council had been notified by BT that the telephone box at Burnt Oak, Sidbury (Tel.No.01395597302) was a candidate for adoption (as attached accompanying letter)

RESOLVED: That no action be taken.

11:06/19 CIVIC NIGHT AT FOLK WEEK

The Chairman reported that he would be holding the annual Civic Night at The Ham Marquee on Wednesday 3rd August and asked those Members who wished to attend to notify the Town Clerk as soon as possible. (as letter enclosed).

RESOLVED: That this be noted.

11:06/20 ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

A letter had been received from the Chairman of the Sidmouth Branch of The Royal British Legion inviting the Council to join them on Saturday 25th June when they would celebrate the 90th Anniversary of the formation of The Royal British Legion and also the Armed Forces Day. The Chairman's letters stated; "The parade will form up outside the Co-Op Store and will step off at 1400 hrs lead by the Town Band. The route for the march will be through the town turning right at the sea front then turning right by the Bedford car park; the parade will halt and fall out at the Three Cornered Plot where there will be cream teas on the plot. The Town Band will be set up in the parking area of Abbeyfield where they will be in concert".

RESOLVED: That this be noted.

11:06/21 GRANTS

A Card had been received from the HCPT Pilgrimage Trust from Lourdes, with twelve signatures saying 'thank you' for the Town Council's grant. Also received, a letter from Apple Tree Pre-School thanking the Town Council for its grant which will be used to enhance the outdoor play area.

RESOLVED: That this be noted.

11:06/22 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT GROUP

Members were invited to propose items for the next meeting of the Traffic Management Group to be held on Tuesday 14th June 2011.

RESOLVED: That this be noted.

11:06/23 DEVON ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS ELECTION TO COUNTY COMMITTEE

The Town Council was able to select up to five candidates to serve on the DALC County Committee. Names of candidates were as follows:

- Mr Bob Collier — Colyton
- Mr David Miller — Rockbeare
- Mr Paul Lewis — Ottery St Mary
- Mrs Vivienne Ash — Honiton
- Mr James Semple — Seaton
- Mr Michael Green — Beer
- Mr Simon Pollentine — Sidmouth
- Mr Jim Bailey — Lympstone

RESOLVED: That the following candidates be selected by Sidmouth Town Council:
Mr Bob Collier, Mr David Miller, Miss Vivienne Ash, Mr Michael Green and Mr Simon Pollentine

11:06/24 AONB INVITATION

An invitation had been received from the AONB Partnership to attend the 8th Annual Forum to be held on Wednesday 29th June at 18.45 in the Public Hall on Station Road, Budleigh Salterton. The invitation reported that "This year's forum is entitled 'Volunteers at the heart of the landscape' and will include fascinating personal insights from a number of our volunteers as well as screening of some amazing footage capturing East Devon life dating back as far as the 1930s".

RESOLVED: That this be noted.

11:06/25 EVENTS ON EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL LAND

Notification had been received of the following events :-

- Blackmore Gardens — Sid Valley Rotary Club Summer Fayre — 23rd July 2011
- Connaught Gardens — Pirates of Penzance — 16th July 2011
- Connaught Garden — Semper Fidelis Brass Band — 29th August 2011
- Connaught Gardens — Bracknell & Woking Concert Band — 23rd October 2011

RESOLVED: That these be noted and agreed.

11:06/26 DOCUMENTS AND PERIODICALS

There had been no Documents or Periodicals received to be reported at this meeting.

RESOLVED: That this be noted.

Councillor Mrs. Drew arrived prior to the following item.

TRUSTEE MATTER

MANSTONE RECREATION GROUND

A letter had been received from the Secretary of Sidmouth Town AFC reporting that in order for them to negotiate with various agencies with regard to funding to complete some of the necessary improvements required to enter the peninsula league they required a minimum of 10 years left on any lease they may have. The current lease they had with the Town Council expires on the 31st December 2015.

Members were asked whether it was the Council's wish that a new lease be granted possibly ending on the 31st December 2022 thereby giving them the ten years they required.

RESOLVED: That (i) A new lease be agreed to 31st December 2022
(ii) Sidmouth Town AFC be notified regarding the Land Registry requirements for leases longer than 7 years.
(iii) The future lease cost to increase with inflation each year.

PART 'B'

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

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.

11:06/27 ANNUAL REPORT

The Town Clerk reported that in previous year's the Town Council's Annual Report had been printed and delivered at a cost of approximately £2,000. Enquiries had been made with local newspapers to print the Annual Report as a full page; quotes had been received as follows:

Sidmouth Herald	£500
Midweek Herald	£550
The Weekender	£200

RESOLVED: That the Annual Report be printed in the Sidmouth Herald and The Weekender, colour photographs were to be included. A proof of the Annual Report be made available at the July meeting for Members consideration. The Annual Report was also to be made available on the Town Council's website and hard copies at the Council offices.

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CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL