



TEIGNMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTUES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, 3RD MAY 2022 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BITTON HOUSE AT 6.15PM

Present: Cllr. P. Williams - Town Mayor
Cllr. J. Atkins
Cllr. D. Cox
Cllr. A. Henderson
Cllr. D. Matthews
Cllr. J. Orme (*left 7.05pm during minute no. 13*)
Cllr. I. Palmer
Cllr. R. Phipps
Cllr. E.S. Russell
Cllr. C. Williams

In attendance: Mr. I. Wedlake - Town Clerk
Mr. A. McKenzie - Locum Clerk
Miss. A. Winston - PA to the Mayor and Clerk
Members of the Public

The Mayor conveyed that sadly a dear friend had passed away at the weekend, Mr John Bailey, he asked everyone to acknowledge a minute silence to remember him.

The Mayor invited three members of the public to speak who:

- a) Raised a discrepancy regarding the fees agreed for pay and display parking at Bitton House and what is actually being charged.
- b) Expressed disappointment that the town council is not recognising the car parking working party and that the Park Hill car park is included in the pay and display scheme.
- c) Conveyed the detrimental impact of the overnight parking charge saying it has increased a sense of anxiety for some residents as they are reluctant to move their car in case their free space has gone upon return. Request made to the town council to reconsider the overnight charge.

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr. B. Cox
Cllr. R. Ash

2. To approve as a true record and sign the Minutes of Annual Council held on 4 May 2021

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Town Council held on 4 May 2021 were presented by the Town Mayor.

Cllr Palmer proposed to approve as a true record and sign the Minutes, seconded by Cllr Atkins and unanimously agreed.

3. To approve as a true record and sign the Minutes of the Town Council held on 5 April 2022

Cllr Palmer proposed to approve the Minutes as presented, seconded by Cllr Russell and agreed. Cllrs Orme, C Williams, P Williams and Henderson abstained as they were not present at the meeting.

4. To approve as a true record and sign the Minutes of the Extraordinary Town Council Meeting held on 27 April 2022

Cllr Orme requested that it be noted that she had asked to make an amendment to the proposal and was refused.

Cllr Atkins proposed to approve the Minutes as presented, seconded by Cllr Henderson and agreed by majority.

5. Election of Town Mayor 2022/2023

The Mayor Cllr P Williams gave an outgoing speech and thanked everyone for their support during his Mayoral term.

Cllr Phipps thanked the Mayor and Mayoress for their hard work and dedication.

Cllr Phipps proposed Cllr Palmer, seconded by Cllr Russell and agreed by majority. Cllr P Williams abstained.

There being no other nominations, it was Resolved that Cllr Palmer is appointed Town Mayor for the municipal year 2022-23.

The Mayor Cllr Palmer presented the Past Mayor medal to Cllr Peter Williams.

6. Election of Deputy Town Mayor 2022/2023

The Mayor asked for nominations for the position of Deputy Town Mayor for the municipal year 2022-23.

Cllr Matthews proposed Cllr Atkins, seconded by Cllr C Williams and unanimously agreed.

There being no other nominations, it was Resolved that Cllr Atkins is appointed Deputy Town Mayor for the municipal year 2022-23.

7. Mayor's Allowance 2022/2023

The Clerk conveyed that the Mayor's Allowance will be set in the budget.

Cllr Cox proposed to approve a Mayor's Allowance to be set in the budget, seconded by Cllr Matthews and unanimously agreed.

8. Composition of Sub-Committees 2022/2023

The Clerk said the request from the Clerk's office is to delay this item for one quarter.

Cllr Cox proposed to defer the item to the next Full Council meeting which will be in June, seconded by Cllr Orme and agreed by majority.

9. Composition of Representatives to Other Bodies 2022/2023

It was unanimously agreed to defer this item to the next meeting in line with minute number 8.

10. Authority to approve financial transactions 2022/2023

The Clerk stated that the Mayor, Chair of Finance Committee, temporary Finance Officer, and Projects and Facilities Manager need to be added to the finance mandate.

Cllr Cox proposed to add members to the finance mandate as stated above, seconded by Cllr Palmer and unanimously agreed.

11. Business (if any) especially brought forward by the Mayor

There was none.

12. Platinum Jubilee

Cllr C Williams presented the report, timetable, and costs spreadsheet. She said confirmation has been received from the Deputy Lieutenant that he will light the beacon on Thursday evening. Cllr C Williams asked Councillors for their support over the four-day event. The Mayor thanked everyone for their work.

13. Council Emergency Team

The Clerk presented the item and proposal to instigate the Council Emergency Team (CET) to run in parallel with, and provide updates to, Full Council, for a minimum period of four months. He said the Clerk needs to be empowered to make decisions in consultation with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor to make financial decisions.

Cllr Cox proposed to empower the Clerk to be authorised, in consultation with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, to make financial decisions, seconded by Cllr Phipps and unanimously agreed. Noted, Cllr Orme was not present for the vote.

14. Temporary Beach Huts on The Point beach

Cllr Russell presented the item and asked Councillor whether a formal response should be sent to the District Council regarding concerns about the fee increase.

Cllr Matthews declared an interest as he has a beach hut.

The item was discussed and the Mayor asked District Councillors to make representation on behalf of the town council which was agreed.

The meeting closed at 7.23pm.

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TOWN MAYOR

Bitton House, Teignmouth
5th May 2022