

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SOUTH MOLTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, SOUTH MOLTON ON TUESDAY 23 JANUARY 2018 2017 AT 7.00PM

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Present: In the Chair Town Mayor Cllr Mrs C. E. Lock  
Cllr M. Cornelius Cllr Mrs J. Footman  
Cllr Mrs J. Foster Cllr D. J. Goodman  
Cllr M. J. Kingdon Cllr S. W. Lock  
Cllr E. J. Moore Cllr M. F. Way  
Cllr D. Worden Cllr Mrs S. Yeo

In Attendance: Town Clerk Mr A. C. Coates.  
Town Clerk's Assistant Mrs P. A. Miller

138/17 **PRAYERS**

The meeting was opened in prayer by the Mayor's Chaplain.

139/17 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Bushell

140/17 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following declarations of interest were read out by the Town Clerk:

Cllr Cornelius – Personal Interest – Item 6 – Know members of the SMBA and SMTC liaison.

Cllr Kingdon – DPI – Item 13 – My agent

Cllr Moore – Personal Interest – Item 6 – One of the Town Council's reps on the SMBA Committee

Cllr Worden – DPI – Item 7iii) – Concerns myself

Personal Interest – Item 6 – Know several involved

141/17 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Nil.

142/17 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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ENCLOSED

It was RESOLVED that these minutes be approved. Cllr Footman abstained as she was not at the previous meeting.

143/17 **BOOKINGS FOR PANNIER MARKET**

Members noted that the Policies, Procedures and Strategy Sub-Committee had recently clarified a Minute passed in 2014 concerning the letting of South Molton Town Council premises for the five longstanding annual town events and that it was now necessary for the Town Council to decide whether or not to cancel bookings received on behalf of South Molton Christmas Committee for Friday 30 November 2018 and Friday 4 December 2020. Following discussion it was RESOLVED that these two bookings from South Molton Christmas Committee be cancelled. 7 For 3 Against 1 Abstained.

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Cllr Worden declared a DPI in the following item and left the meeting.

**144/17 DOCUMENTS FOR EXECUTION**

It was RESOLVED that the following documents be signed by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor and witnessed by the Town Clerk:

Exclusive Right of Burial – Plot Q4 – Mr Charles Henry Bawden, 12 Hares Green, South Molton, EX36 4SF

Exclusive Right of Burial – Plot NG999 – Mrs Marian Irwin, Woodlands, Alswear, South Molton, EX36 4NA

Exclusive Right of Burial – Plot P25 – Mr David John Worden, 16 Raleigh Close, South Molton, EX36 4DS

Exclusive Right of Burial – Plot L1403B – Mr Paul Tyzack, 43 St Marys Close, Taddiport, Great Torrington, EX38 8AS

Cllr Worden re-joined the meeting.

**145/17 POLICE AND DCC TO REPORT TO MEMBERS**

- a) Cllr Yabsley report on various issues relating to highway works, drainage works and potholes and stressed the need for all issues to be reported. Several members also raised issues regarding street lights, standing water at the crossing by South Molton Community College and potholes around the town.
- b) No police were in attendance.

**146/17 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT TO MEMBERS**

No items were reported by the Town Clerk.

**147/17 REPRESENTATIVES TO REPORT ON MEETINGS ATTENDED**

- a) Cllr Moore reported on a NDC meeting when Barnstaple Pannier Market was discussed. Cllr Worden advised that Cllr Moore had done an excellent job chairing a recent NDC meeting.
- b) No issues were raised by NDC Cllrs Moore and Worden

**148/17 COUNCILLORS PARTICIPATION**

Cllr Cornelius re-iterated Cllr Yabsley's comments regarding reporting issues, especially potholes, within the town.

Cllr Worden thanked members for their support at the funeral of his wife Doreen and during recent weeks.

The Mayor welcomed Jacqueline Footman to the Town Council and hoped that she would enjoy her role as a Town Councillor.

**149/17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No issues were raised by members of the public.

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150/17 It was RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business by virtue of relating to legal-commercially sensitive matters and/or the financial or business affairs of a person or persons other than the Council.

Cllr Kingdon declared a DPI in the following item and left the meeting.

152/17 It was RESOLVED that the meeting return to open session.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.46pm

Chairman .....

Date .....