

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOUTH MOLTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, SOUTH MOLTON ON TUESDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2018 AT 7.00PM

Present:

In the Chair Town Mayor	Cllr Mrs C. E. Lock
Cllr M. Bushell	Cllr Mrs J. Foster
Cllr D. Goodman	Cllr M. Kingdon
Cllr S. W. Lock	Cllr E. J. Moore
Cllr M. F. Way	Cllr D. Worden

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

113/18 **PRAYERS**

The meeting was opened in prayer by Rev M. Grandey.

114/18 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Cornelius and Footman.

115/18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

116/18 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor advised that the December Town Council meeting would be a short meeting on 18 December 2018 when she will present donations to her chosen charities. This meeting will be followed by refreshments to which all Councillors and partners are invited.

The Mayor read out an email from the Town Clerk which was recently circulated to all members regarding CCTV in Central Park and the Amory Centre.

The Mayor advised that a meeting would be held on Thursday 29 November 2018, 6.30pm at the Amory Centre, to discuss PBP4. Cllr Bushell requested that this meeting be re-scheduled due to the late notice but it was agreed that the meeting should proceed as arranged.

117/18 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Cllr Worden advised that he was very pleased with all the recent town events, including the Christmas Lights Switch on and Fireworks and the exhibition in the Town Hall to commemorate the end of WW1. It was agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to Derrica Hodgson who had organised this event.

Cllr Moore wished to thank all members of staff involved with these events.

118/18 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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It was RESOLVED that these minutes be approved. Cllr Bushell abstained.

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119/18 **POLICE AND DCC TO REPORT TO MEMBERS**

- a) In the absence of the Police, Cllr Worden read out a report from PC Graham James regarding several matters including a proposal to hold quarterly meetings with all Parish Councils under the South Molton area of policing. It was hoped that these meeting would be community based.
- b) Cllr Yabsley reported on various issues including parking and the on-street parking review, potholes, a crossing patrol at the new Primary School and lighting in North Road. Following this report Cllr Yabsley left the meeting.

120/18 **DOCUMENTS FOR EXECUTION**

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

Exclusive Right of Burial – Plot P26 – Mr A. J. Cox, The Folley, Westleigh, Bideford, EX39 4NL

Exclusive Right of Burial – Plot P46 – Johanna Mary Williams, 35 Howards Close, South Molton, EX36 4JT

Members noted that there was a typo on the agenda. The first Exclusive Right of Burial should have read Plot P26 and not Plot P46.

121/18 **CCTV – CENTRAL PARK AND AMORY CENTRE**

The Chairman had previously read out an email from the Town Clerk outlining recent developments regarding the possible installation of CCTV at the above locations. It was RESOLVED to defer any decision regarding this until full details and costings had been received from the District Council and the views of the town are obtained.

122/18 **REVIEW OF NORTH DEVON (OFF STREET PARKING PLACES) ORDER**

Members noted details of the above which is due to be considered by the North Devon Council Executive on 3 December 2018 and Cllr Worden reported on several issues within the document and following discussion it was unanimously RESOLVED that the District Council be requested to amend parking in the lorry park to be a 'Lorry and Coach Park' and that consideration be given to lowering the permit charges for Central Car Park to under £200 in an attempt to encourage more use of this area and help reduce the 'on street' parking situation within the town.

123/18 **REPRESENTATIVES TO REPORT ON MEETINGS ATTENDED**

- a) No representatives reported to members on meetings attended.
- b) Cllr Worden was pleased to report the District Council were supporting both Appledore Shipyard and Chivenor regarding their possible closure.

124/18 **COUNCILLORS' PARTICIPATION**

No issues were reported by Councillors.

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125/18 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.

127/18 It was RESOLVED that the meeting return to open session.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Chairman

Date