

EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, EXMOUTH ON MONDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2010 AT 7.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillors: D Nicholas (Mayor)
S Sutton (Deputy Mayor)
D Chapman M Chapman
T Cope V Duval-Steer
L Elson K Harper
J Mitchell M Mitchell
I Stewart P Stott
B Taylor J Taylor
R Turner E Wragg
S Wragg

40. APOLOGIES

Councillors S Gazzard, P Graham, M Hardy, J Humphreys, B Walker, M Williamson, J Whipps

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time.

Mrs Kathryn Vickery raised concerns about the new recycling and refuse collection scheme being run by East Devon District Council. Changes from back lane to front door collection were causing problems for some residents in Bicton Street and it had not been possible to arrange for a suitable solution to be applied. This was causing distress to local elderly residents in particular. The matter was raised out of frustration that it had not been possible to find a solution which would satisfy residents.

Mr Ron Roberts raised issues arising from this year's carnival. The Carnival Committee were seeking a new carnival organiser to replace Rob Waller and the need to review the route because of the Stand works.

41. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on the 6th September were received and signed as a correct record.

42. URGENT BUSINESS

1. **Refuse Collection Issues Bicton Street** – Town Clerk to raise this with EDDC to seek a resolution of the concerns raised at question time.
2. **Exmouth Carnival** – A letter from Councillor Steve Gazzard congratulating all those involved with putting on the Carnival and contributing to its success and for the excellent clear up afterwards by Street Scene was read to the meeting.

RESOLVED that letters be sent to the Carnival Committee and to Street Scene to thank them for the work put in to create an excellent event.

3. **Quid for a Kid Appeal** – Councillors were asked to contribute to the Journal’s appeal to assist a young person with cancer in seeking specialist treatment abroad.
4. **Chamber of Trade and Commerce** - Councillors were reminded that their attendance was requested at a meeting of the Chamber at the Point Bar, Exmouth Marina on Thursday 7 for 7.15pm 21st October.
5. **Christmas Cracker Event 3rd December 2010** – Councillors were reminded that they had been invited to volunteer as stewards for the event and to steward the ice rink which would run for 3 days and were requested to notify the Town Manager as soon as possible if they were able to assist.
6. **Valley Park** – Withycombe Brook – Councillors were reminded that inspection would take place on Wednesday 20th October at 2.30pm meeting at St John’s Road at the entrance just above Dean Close.
7. **Luccombe Oak** – Phear Park – Councillor Jean Mitchell circulated pictures of the Luccombe Oak in Phear Park which was being well used. She asked for EDDC to be requested to provide an interpretation board to explain the history of this historic tree.

RESOLVED that EDDC be requested to provide an interpretation plaque as above.

43. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 10

There were no questions under Standing Order 10.

44. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items to be dealt with necessitating exclusion of the press and public.

45. MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Councillor L Elson, seconded by Councillor R Turner moved the acceptance of the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on 6th and 20th September and 4th October 2010 (as previously circulated).

Councillor L Elson reported that the extraordinary meeting of the Planning Committee to consider the LDF Core Strategy had met and that a working party had been set up to review further the response to be made to the consultation.

Consideration was given to requesting that some of the S106 contribution from the proposed Tesco extension for Town Regeneration towards the Business Improvement District Bid. This would be raised formally at the next meeting of the Regeneration and General Purposes Committee.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 6th and 20th September and 4th October 2010 be adopted.

46. MINUTES OF THE REGENERATION AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Councillor P Stott seconded by Councillor V Duval-Steer moved the acceptance of the minutes of the Regeneration and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 20th September 2010 and that the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regeneration and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 20th September 2010 be received and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

47. MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councillor V Duval-Steer seconded by Councillor T Cope moved that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 4th October 2010 be received and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

Arising Thereon

Clock Tower (Min F17)

Investigations were requested into S106 money available perhaps to help maintain the clock tower. Questions about the amount of S106 money available needed to be addressed and it was suggested that a working party with members from each ward should be set up to meet with Sulina Tallack the District Council's S106 officer to release some of this money for projects in the town.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on the 4th October 2010 be received and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

48. REPORTS FROM OTHER LOCAL BODIES AND THE TOWN CLERK AND TOWN MANAGER AS APPROPRIATE

- EDDC Small Business Units were 100% occupied and netting a 10% return;
- Camperdown Gut digging out of mud and dumping from Pier Head to be followed up urgently;
- A Planning Application is expected for a seven storey development on the site of the former custom house;
- Not clear what is happening if anything in respect of the cafe site beside Mamhead Slipway;
- School bus rules for 8 to 11 year olds appear to be being softened to allow transport if 3 miles or more from school;
- Adult Community Services review has come up with 37 recommendations for already stretched resources;
- Blackhill Quarry traffic movements issues causing some concern;
- Budleigh Salterton being defined as a rural hub and not a town in the LDF;
- EDDC being allowed to keep £5.8m subsidy from rents;
- Silver Surfers project at Brixington School proving to be a huge success with pupils teaching mature adults IT skills.

The meeting concluded at 7.44pm

Signed

Date

(Chairman)