

EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL REGENERATION & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, EXMOUTH ON MONDAY 4th APRIL 2011 AT 7.00 pm

Present:

Councillors: M Chapman (Vice Chairman)
D Chapman T Cope
V Duval-Steer S Gazzard
P Graham M Hardy
J Humphreys J Mitchell
D Nicholas S Sutton
B Taylor R Turner
M Williamson E Wragg

Apologies: Councillors P Stott, J Whipps & S Wragg

Guest: Kelly Fishpool, Yr 13 Student, Exmouth Community College

G85 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Regeneration and General Purposes Committee held on 7th February 2011 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

G86 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business to be considered.

G87 Exclusion of the Public and Press

There were no items to be dealt with necessitating exclusion of the Public and the Press.

G88 Town Meeting

The minutes from the Town Meeting held on 21st March 2011 were received.

G89 Bay FM

Discussion took place on Bay FM's request for permission to record meetings of the Council and its Committees which were open to the public. The following points were raised:-

- If the recorded were to be edited this could be managed to support certain points of view so any recording should be of full meetings and not edited;
- Protocol which other authorities have drafted to create ground rules should be looked at;
- Audio only could be a problem and video recording might be a better approach but could create resource and management difficulties;
- If recording was to take place maybe this would be recorded and placed on line by the Council itself to make it available for whichever media organisation would want to link into it as happens with webcam recording of meetings for Devon County Council and the Police Authority.

RESOLVED that

- a) **consideration be deferred until after the elections to allow for the new Council to determine the outcome.**
- b) **an item to be placed on the next Regeneration and General Purposes Committee meeting to be held on 6th June 2011.**

G90 National Association of Local Councils

Communities in Action on behalf of Nalc would be hosting a conference and exhibition in Bristol on 15th June 2011 details of which had been previously circulated. Attendance at this event was considered and agreed.

RESOLVED that booking be made for two delegates, to be named after the election, would attend the Communities in Action event on the 15th June 2011.

G91 Imperial Recreation Ground

The Committee had before it a copy (previously circulated) of the EDDC Consultation on Proposals information document for proposed Revetment Improvements, Foreshore Cleaning and Soil Capping for Imperial Recreation Ground.

RESOLVED that

- a) **in Principle no objection be made subject to Environment Agency & Natural England;**
- b) **a request be made to EDDC to ascertain the cost of the works and expected lifespan.**

G92 Other Bodies – Updates

- **Exmouth Regeneration Board**
No update at present.
- **Community Organisations Liaison Panel**
The next meeting would take place prior to the election of the new Council which would prepare the groundwork for Exmouth's Community Plan. It would identify how the Steering Group would be constituted. The Steering Group would report directly back to Exmouth Town Council and a series of Working Parties would look at specific areas such as transport, health etc.
- **Exmouth Action Group**
Councillor S Gazzard gave feedback on his attendance at a recent meeting. Inspector Jez Capey had been transferred to Torbay and his replacement had not yet arrived. Cuts in the Police Service would soon take effect on a local level. The local beat manager had presented a report to request a Section 30 order for the Strand which members of EAG had supported. This report would be presented to the Town Council by the new Inspector.
- **Rolle College**
A report would be made available soon and the board continued to remain optimistic.

- **Seafront Bowling Alley**
EDDC had reported that work should commence on the building shortly.

The Meeting ended at 7.33 pm

Signed Dated

Chairman