

# EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EXMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, EXMOUTH ON MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER AT 7.00PM.

**PRESENT:** Councillors: M Chapman (Chairman)  
B Cole (Deputy Chairman)  
B Bailey F Caygill  
D Chapman T Darville  
P Dean T Dumper  
L Elson P Graham  
T Hill J Humphreys  
C Nicholas R Scott  
P Stott B Toyne  
J Trail M Williamson

Officers: Lisa Bowman, Town Clerk & Sue Cody, Minute Taker.

### **C15/110. APOLOGIES**

Councillors S Gazzard, E Gibbons, C Gough, A Greenhalgh, R Masding & B Nash

**There were no members of the public present at the meeting that wished to speak.**

### **C15/111. COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes of the Town Council meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2015 were proposed by Councillor P Stott seconded by Councillor R Scott and noted as a true record.

### **C15/112. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

### **C15/113. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interests or dispensations.

### **C15/114. URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items to be dealt with under urgent business.

### **C15/115. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

It was agreed that Agenda item 13 would be discussed in Part II of the meeting as it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972:

### **C15/116. QUESTIONS UNDER STANDING ORDER 10**

There were no questions under Standing Order 10.

**C15/117. REPORTS AND MINUTES FROM COMMITTEES, WORKING PARTIES, OTHER LOCAL BODIES, THE TOWN CLERK / TOWN MANAGER as appropriate**  
(Standing Order 6.2)

- **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Councillor L Elson proposed, seconded by Councillor B Bailey that the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 21st September & 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015 (as previously circulated) be received.

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 21st September & 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015 be accepted and adopted.**

- **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Councillor D Chapman proposed, seconded by Councillor P Graham that the minutes of the Finance Committee held on 1<sup>st</sup> June, 27<sup>th</sup> July & 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015 be received.

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the Finance Committee held on 1<sup>st</sup> June, 27<sup>th</sup> July & 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015 be accepted and adopted.**

- **REGENERATION AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

Councillor P Stott proposed, seconded by Councillor L Elson, that the minutes of the Regeneration and General Purposes Committee held on 29<sup>th</sup> June & 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015 be received.

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regeneration and General Purposes Committee held on 29<sup>th</sup> June & 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015 be accepted and adopted.**

- **Jurassic Coast Forum**

Councillor A Greenhalgh, Tourism Champion, had attended the Forum on behalf of the Town Council on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015. Members had previously received the notes of that meeting.

- **Local Action Group**

The committee had before them a written report from the LAG meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015. Recent anti-social behaviour in the Strand had resulted in court appearances for those identified. Concern was felt amongst members of the effect that further cuts in police service provision would have on anti-social behaviour. There would be a consultation and a possible referendum before the police precept was decided for 2016/17. A request was made for a representative of the Police to attend a Full Council meeting prior to that decision being made.

The CCTV room that was currently located within the Town Hall may be required to relocate whilst the building was being renovated.

Councillor J Trail wished to thank EDDC's Environmental Health Officers and Streetscene for the supply of anti-dog fouling signs and stencils in the Brixington area which had had the desired effect on offenders.

- **DCC Highways Conference Coastal Communities Team**  
Councillor R Masding had attended the conference on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2015 and submitted a report (previously circulated) which gave an overview of the conference content.
- **Exe Estuary Management Partnership**  
The committee acknowledged receipt of the management group minutes (previously circulated) from the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2015.

**C15/118. TO RECEIVE A VERBAL UPDATE FROM THE TOWN CLERK ON THE FUTURE MANAGEMENT OF THE STRAND**

The Town Clerk gave an overview of a meeting that had taken place a few months ago between Town Council representatives, EDDC's Portfolio Holder, Councillor Ian Chubb, Andrew Hancock, Streetscene Manager, and Jamie Murrell, Streetscene Business Support Officer. Discussion had focused on usage of the Strand to date and the effects of certain events had had on local businesses and the quality of some of the continental market stalls. Jamie Murrell alongside Councillor Ian Chubb would look at all aspects of management of the Strand and take into account feedback from Licensing, Environmental Health and maybe the Police and would produce a report. There had been an original tripartite agreement between DCC, EDDC and TC but that had been based on the original proposed building that would have generated income. Members agreed to await the report from Councillor Ian Chubb and form a Working Party which would consist of a representative from DCC, EDDC, TC, local businesses and charities to discuss the content.

**C15/119. TO RESPOND TO EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL'S CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE EAST DEVON LOCAL PLAN**

The East Devon Local Plan Inspector had asked that the Town Council be consulted on additional changes to EDDC's revised Local Plan. It was agreed that the Town Council Local Plan Working Group reform, which would include Councillors B Bailey and T Hill who would replace original members who had left the Town Council. Councillor M Williamson advised that there had been broader changes of a technical nature and suggested the group focused on Strategy 22 in respect of the Dinan Way link road, habitat mitigation and Waterfront Development Sites.

**C15/120. TO RESPOND TO EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL'S MOVING AND IMPROVING CONSULTATION**

A questionnaire was circulated to members which was to be completed by councillors in order to gather their response to the East Devon District Council Office relocation. The Town Clerk would also send the electronic link for the form should councillors wish to complete electronically.

**C15/121. TO RECEIVE THE DRAFT CALENDAR DATES FOR 2016**

The committee had before them the proposed meeting dates for 2016 with an amended date of 22<sup>nd</sup> February as opposed to the 21<sup>st</sup> February as document. Dates proposed after May 2016 would be subject to room availability should the Town Council need to relocate whilst the Town Hall underwent refurbishment.

**C15/122. TO RECEIVE THE HR GROUP MEETING NOTES AND RATIFY ANY RECOMMENDATIONS THEREIN**

The minute from that agenda item was discussed under Part ii of the meeting and was held by the Town Clerk.

**C15/123. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Town Council would be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015 at 7pm

**The meeting concluded at 8.30 pm.**

Signed..... Date.....  
(Chairman)