

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,  
BITTON HOUSE ON TUESDAY, 3<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2017 AT 6.30PM**

**Present:** Cllr. T. Falcão - Town Mayor  
Cllr. P. Burgess - Deputy Town Mayor  
Cllr. D. Cox (*arrived during minute no. 194*)  
Cllr. A. Eden  
Cllr. J. Green  
Cllr. D. Matthews  
Cllr. J. Orme  
Cllr. R. Phipps  
Cllr. E.S. Russell

**In attendance:** Ms. T. Higgs – Town Clerk  
Miss. A. Winston – Minute Secretary  
Members of the Press and Public

The Mayor invited Father Mark Skelton to say a prayer.

**194. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr. V.L. Fusco  
Cllr. J. Phillips  
Cllr. R.G. Phillips

The Mayor welcomed Colin Rider and Jane Gourd and presented each of them with certificates in recognition of their exemplary community work.

**195. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2016**

Cllr Russell proposed that the minutes be agreed and signed as presented. Seconded by Cllr Matthews and unanimously agreed.

Item 197. a was brought forward with agreement of all Councillors present.

## **196. PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEES**

- a) **The Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016, Minute Nos 176-190 were presented for adoption by Cllr Green.**

**The Minutes were seconded by Cllr Matthews and unanimously agreed. Noted, Cllrs Orme and Russell were not present for the vote.**

- b) **The Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016, Minute Nos 191-193 were presented for adoption by Cllr Green.**

**The Minutes were seconded by Cllr Burgess and unanimously agreed. Noted, Cllrs Orme and Russell were not present for the vote.**

## **197. BUSINESS (IF ANY) ESPECIALLY BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE MAYOR**

The item was brought forward.

### **a. Presentation by South Devon and Torbay Clinical Commissioning Group**

The Mayor welcomed Dr Matthew Fox and Mr Simon Tapley and Cllr Russell introduced them. A report had been circulated and was tabled.

Dr Fox and Mr Tapley updated Councillors on the implementation of the proposals agreed in 2015 regarding community services reconfiguration.

Councillors asked questions which included – how will the health and well-being team integrate with doctors surgeries, are there any future plans to have radiology treatment in community hospitals, what was the consultation with regards to parking, how can the Council help to make it work.

Standing Orders were suspended to let a member of the League of Friends of Teignmouth Hospital Committee speak. The Committee member expressed concern as they need financial assistance from those who use the hospital and the reduction in beds affects the amount of money they receive.

Standing Orders were resumed.

The Mayor thanked Dr Fox and Mr Tapley for attending.

Cllr Matthews enquired if there is a way to raise an issue at a meeting that does not necessarily need to be an agenda item. The Mayor suggested asking about the issue via email initially to gauge whether an agenda item was needed. The Clerk will look at the enquiry procedurally.

#### **198. QUESTIONS (IF ANY) UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 1E**

There were none.

#### **199. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### **Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

11.30am – attended the Christmas day lunch at the Alice Cross Centre and helped serve lunch.

##### **Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

10.30am - judged the fancy dress entries at the RNLI Walk-in-the-Sea.

##### **Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

7pm – visit Melissa Middleton and fundraisers at the Whistlestop café, Teignmouth railway station.

##### **Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

3pm – Teignmouth Town Council Civic Service.

#### **200. PART II**

- a. To move that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted viz; information where public disclosure at this time may be prejudicial to the good business of the Council it is in the public interest that they be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with Standing Order 1 d.

The Mayor read the statement above and it was unanimously agreed.

The meeting closed at 7.25pm.

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**COUNCILLOR T FALCÃO**  
**TOWN MAYOR**

**Bitton House**  
**Teignmouth**  
**5<sup>th</sup> January 2017**