

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
BITTON HOUSE ON TUESDAY, 28TH MARCH 2017 AT 6.30PM**

Present: Cllr. T. Falcão - Town Mayor
Cllr. P. Burgess – Deputy Town Mayor
Cllr. D. Cox
Cllr. V.L. Fusco
Cllr. J. Green
Cllr. D. Matthews
Cllr. J. Orme
Cllr. R. Phipps
Cllr. R.G. Phillips
Cllr. E.S. Russell

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

The Mayor said a prayer and a one minute silence was held in memory of the victims of the terrorist attack in London the previous week.

285. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. A. Eden
Cllr. J. Phillips

**286. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14TH FEBRUARY 2017**

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

287. PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEES

- a) **The Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 28th February 2017, Minute Nos 242-260 were presented for adoption by Cllr Green.**

At Minute No. 256 – Cllr R.G. Phillips asked if it had been agreed to look into installing solar panels at Bitton House. The Mayor invited Cllr R.G. Phillips to raise the item on a future agenda of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Subject to the above addendum, the Minutes were seconded by Cllr Cox and unanimously agreed.

- b) **The Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 28th February 2017, Minute Nos 261-263 were presented for adoption by Cllr Green.**

The Minutes were seconded by Cllr Matthews and unanimously agreed.

- c) **The Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 14th March 2017, Minute Nos 264-284 were presented for adoption by Cllr Green.**

At Minute No. 269 – Cllr Matthews informed members that the pitch at the Devon County Show has been approved.

At Minute No. 270 – Cllr R.G. Phillips enquired whether the agreed action had been undertaken regarding the shelter on the sea front. The Mayor confirmed that the Clerk has the matter in hand.

At Minute No. 272 – Cllr Fusco enquired whether any further information has been received regarding the Town Guide. The Mayor replied that the item will be on the agenda of a future Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting.

At Minute No. 279 – Cllr R.G. Phillips expressed that he did not consider the minutes resembled what was discussed regarding the Cliffden Hotel. The Mayor asked Cllr R.G. Phillips to submit his amendment. Cllr Russell reminded members that it was agreed to form a working party and the Mayor asked the Clerk to both write to and email Councillors inviting them to join the working party.

At Minute No. 280 b i – Cllr R.G. Phillips conveyed that the Town Councillors are not involved in the Brunswick Street development. The Mayor replied that the current stage is commercially sensitive and being dealt with solely by Teignbridge District Council. Cllr Russell informed members that when an outline has been agreed then there will be publicity.

Subject to the above addendums, the Minutes were seconded by Cllr Fusco and unanimously agreed.

288. BUSINESS (IF ANY) ESPECIALLY BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE MAYOR

The Mayor said the Clerk had circulated an email that afternoon from Teignbridge District Council regarding the Tourist Information Point in the Pavilions. The email included revised drawings of the information point.

The Mayor proposed suspending Standing Orders to allow Ms Tracy Scranage, Town Centre Development Manager to speak and this was agreed.

Ms Scranage went through the revised drawings and told members that the information point will be manned by volunteers. She said they will try to keep a footfall count to gauge usage.

Standing Orders were resumed.

a. Presentation to young people

The Mayor welcomed Rosa-May Bown and Jake Tribble who are embarking on the Jolie Brise sailing trip in April 2017. The Mayor presented each of them with a bespoke hoody. Tom Greaves' mother was in attendance to collect his hoody on his behalf. The Mayor wished them bon voyage and told Councillors that the young people will be attending a council meeting after the trip to tell them about the experience.

b. Grants

Cllr Burgess presented the recommendations for grant applications following the Grants Committee meeting held on 23rd March 2017. He said that it is a requirement that groups and organisations feature the Town Council logo in publicity.

Who	Item/Event	Recommendation / update
4 th Teignmouth Explorer Scouts	To expand scout group archery equipment	£244.62
Folk Festival 2017	Street entertainment around town	£1,500
Friends of Teignmouth Cemetery	To cover set-up costs	£490
Teignmouth Association Football Club	Renovation of clubhouse and function facilities	<i>Cllr Burgess and Cllr Matthews working on this</i>

Jazz and Blues Festival 2017	To cover cost of three performances	£3,000
Rabbit Run	To cover costs of the run – rabbit ears, tails, medals etc.	£512
Alice Cross Community Centre	Towards cost of roof repairs	<i>Hold until 11th April</i>
4 th Teignmouth Scout Group	To replace and stabilise decayed ground floor of scout hut	<i>Hold for now. Invite all three groups and discuss proposal</i>
Teignmouth Shopmobility	To purchase a powered wheelchair	£1,650
St George's Festival	Towards the increase in events this year	£1,500
Teignbridge Canoe Club	Equipment including sea kayaks, paddles, helmets etc	£1,547.85 for one set
Teignmouth Regatta	Purchase of shipping container due to re-location of storage facility	£2,010
Teignmouth Twinning	Towards coach hire	£500
Horsemanship for Health	To build a wooden classroom cabin, compost toilet, pathways, storage for equipment	£500
Teign Heritage Centre	To reaffirm the Council's decision to award an annual grant	£2,500
St Michael's Church Flower and Music Festival	To support a flower arrangement at the annual festival	£100

Friends of Teignmouth Cemetery application – Cllr Orme said she would abstain from the vote as she is involved in the project.

Teign Heritage Centre – Cllr Russell requested that it is minuted that the Teign Heritage Centre has a separate budget line for their annual grant and this was unanimously agreed.

The Mayor proposed to suspend Standing Orders to allow Mr Don Campell to speak regarding the St George's Festival and this was agreed.

Mr Campbell said the two-day festival is focused on the community and has taken a new direction this year. He told members about the dragon that will be carried around the town by different groups.

Standing Orders were resumed.

Cllr Matthews proposed to approve the recommendations as set out by Cllr Burgess *excluding* the application for the Friends of Teignmouth Cemetery, seconded by Cllr R.G. Phillips and unanimously agreed.

Cllr Matthews proposed to approve the recommendation for the Friends of Teignmouth Cemetery, seconded by Cllr R.G. Phillips and agreed by majority. Noted, Cllr Orme abstained.

c. Public Conveniences

Cllr R.G. Phillips expressed that he has not seen the original agreement with Teignbridge District Council. The Mayor said Cllr R.G. Phillips and all Councillors are welcome to visit the office and look at any agreements they wish to.

Cllr Matthews presented the public conveniences report and updated members on the work being conducted by the working party. Cllr Matthews proposed to continue with the contract with SHS services for the cleaning of the town's public conveniences until 30th September 2017 whilst the working party explore the most cost effective and efficient way of managing the town's public conveniences, seconded by Cllr Cox and unanimously agreed.

Cllr Green reminded members of Planning Committee meetings and said she was the only Councillor at the most recent meeting.

289. QUESTIONS (IF ANY) UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 1E

There were none.

290. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thursday, 16th March 2017

10am-12noon – attended 'Music for Memories' event at the Alice Cross Centre.

***Deputy Mayor:* Saturday, 18th March 2017**

3pm – attended the Teignmouth Drama Festival at the Shaftesbury Theatre in Dawlish.

Cllr June Green: Saturday, 18th March 2017

3pm – attended the Ashburton Town Council Civic Service in St Andrew's Church, Ashburton.

Cllr June Green: Saturday, 18th March 2017

7.30pm – attended a NADSA concert at the Teignmouth Performing Arts Centre, Teignmouth Community School.

Friday, 24th March 2017

7pm – attended the Mayor of Dawlish Civic Fundraiser event at Cofton Country Holiday Park.

Saturday, 1st April 2017

2pm – to attend the launch of Teignmouth Social Club.

Saturday, 8th April 2017

10am-1pm – to judge the Town Crier competition in the Triangle.

Saturday, 15th April 2017

9am-9.30am – send off the young people going on the Jolie Brise trip at Bitton House.

Saturday, 15th April 2017

2pm – to officially open the bowling season at Bitton Park Bowling Club.

Cllr June Green: Saturday, 15th April 2017

2pm – to attend the opening of the bowling season at Den Bowling Club.

The Mayor reminded members of the Town Crier competition to be held on 8th April 2017. Cllr Phipps presented a bell to the Mayor to be given to the new Town Crier.

Meeting closed at 7.30pm.

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COUNCILLOR T FALCÃO
TOWN MAYOR

Bitton House
Teignmouth
29th March 2017