

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOUTH MOLTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN
THE TOWN HALL, SOUTH MOLTON ON TUESDAY 2 OCTOBER 2018 AT 7.00PM

Present:

In the Chair Town Mayor Cllr Mrs C. E. Lock
Cllr M. Bushell Cllr Mrs J. Foster
Cllr D. Goodman Cllr M. J. Kingdon
Cllr E. J. Moore Cllr M. F. Way
Cllr D. Worden

In Attendance: Town Clerk Mr A. C. Coates.

78/18 **PRAYERS**

The meeting was opened in prayer by Rev M. Grandey.

79/18 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Cornelius, Footman and S. Lock

80/18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following declaration of interest was read out by the Town Clerk:
Cllr More – Personal Interest – Item 8 – North Devon Councillor

81/18 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor expressed her disappointment at the lack of Councillor attendance at the Sunday parade.

82/18 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A member of the public mentioned that the road repairs for the top half of North Road were unsatisfactory. It was pointed out that there will be an independent review of the state of the surface of this road. The Town Clerk also stated he would inform Cllr Yabsley regarding this.

83/18 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Extra-Ordinary Town Council 18 July 2018
It was unanimously RESOLVED that these minutes be approved.
Town Council 24 July 2018
It was RESOLVED that these minutes be approved. Cllrs Footman, Way and Worden abstained as they were not at that meeting.

84/18 **POLICE AND DCC TO REPORT TO MEMBERS**

- a) No Police were in attendance to report on any issues.
- b) Cllr Yabsley had given his apologies to the Town Clerk for this meeting.

85/18 **ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE OFF-STREET PARKING ORDER**

Following a question and answer session with Natalie Nolan from North Devon

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Council it was unanimously RESOLVED that this item be deferred and a separate meeting be convened to discuss this.

86/18 DOCUMENTS FOR EXECUTION

It was unanimously RESOLVED that the following documents be signed by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor and witnessed by the Town Clerk:

Exclusive Right of Burial – Plot Q08 – Miss Susan Jayne Jury, 5 West End Terrace, South Molton, EX36 4DJ

Exclusive Right of Burial – Plot Q09 – Mrs Sarah Elworthy, 15 Aclands, South Molton, EX36 4AX

87/18 SOUTH MOLTON SWIMMING POOL

It was unanimously RESOLVED that the Town Clerk writes two letters, to North Devon Council and 1610, regarding the opening hours of the swimming pool stressing how important this facility is to the town of South Molton.

88/18 SOUTH MOLTON CEMETERY

Members noted a copy of a letter from Mrs Cox requesting that consideration is given to waiving double fees in respect of her late husband's grave plot in South Molton Cemetery. It was unanimously RESOLVED that the payment of double fees be waived on this occasion.

89/18 PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS

Cllr Foster reported to members regarding the existing PSPO's that are relevant to South Molton. There was no resolution made on this item.

90/18 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT TO MEMBERS

No items were reported by the Town Clerk.

91/18 REPRESENTATIVES TO REPORT ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

- a) Cllr Bushell reported that he had attended a conference and one of the items was in respect of Community Fridges.
Cllr Worden informed members that at a recent Crime Prevention Panel it was reported that it is often difficult for Police to attend Council meetings. It was suggested that the Crime Prevention Panel meets quarterly at which representatives from all parishes could attend.
- b) Cllr Moore reported that at a recent NDC meeting a motion had been passed to explore and discuss with businesses the potential problems that Brexit may incur.

92/18 COUNCILLORS' PARTICIPATION

Cllr Kingdon mentioned the lack of cash point machines in South Molton and the Town Clerk reported that some progress had been made by the Town Council regarding having another one installed in South Molton.

Cllr Moore re-iterated that he too was disappointed at the attendance by Councillors at the Harvest Thanksgiving Parade.

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93/18 It was RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business by virtue of relating to legal-commercially sensitive matters and/or the financial or business affairs of a person or persons other than the Council.

97/18 It was RESOLVED that the meeting return to open session.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.58pm.

Chairman

Date