

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOUTH MOLTON TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN
THE TOWN HALL, SOUTH MOLTON ON TUESDAY 29 JANUARY 2019 AT
6.30PM

Present:

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

In Attendance: Town Clerk Mr A. C. Coates

140/18 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Nil.

141/18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following declaration of interest was read out by the Town Clerk:
Cllr Worden – Personal Interest – Item 9 – Friend of Wendy Summers

142/18 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Nil.

143/18 **CCTV – CENTRAL PARK**

Mr David Eaton, Project Manager for CCTV in Devon & Cornwall as part of the OPCC. was in attendance and presented the various options available to members in respect of the above. Mr Eaton stated that a feasibility study could be undertaken for South Molton at no cost or obligation.

144/18 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No matters were raised by members of the public.

145/18 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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It was unanimously RESOLVED that these minutes be approved.

146/18 **POLICE AND DCC TO REPORT TO MEMBERS**

- a) No Police were in attendance.
- b) Cllr Yabsley was not in attendance.

147/18 **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 Q10 – Mr Sydney Charles Warren, 10 Exeter Gate, South Molton, EX36 4AN
Exclusive Right of Burial – Plot M1633 – Miss Wendy May Summers, 11 Widgery Drive, South Molton, EX36 4DP

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148/18 **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

The Town Clerk reported on the following:

Lloyds Bank – closing from 6 April 2019 for six weeks for renovations.

Cash Machine – in negotiation with cash machine company for installation in the Town Hall.

YMCA – meeting was held with Gareth Sorsby who is confident the budgets for the next two years will be met.

Exmoor Wildlife Day – to be held on Friday 12 April 2019 assuming several traders are interested in trading on that Friday.

Local Elections – Notice of Election has been scheduled for 18 March 2019.

149/18 **REPRESENTATIVES TO REPORT ON MEETINGS ATTENDED**

- a) Cllr Bushell spoke about the vision going forward of the Arts Destination Project which includes working together with the Olde English Fayre Committee and planning various artistic features around the town.
- b) Cllr Worden mentioned that the meeting with businesses and NDC regarding Brexit did not actually take place and any concerns regarding Brexit should be directed to Phil Morrey, Chief Executive of Devon County Council.

150/18 **COUNCILLORS PARTICIPATION**

Cllr Moore reported that he did not like the timing of Cllr Yeo's resignation as Town Councillor and that Council should have co-opted another Councillor when this occurred.

Cllr Bushell informed members that NDC had spent money installing lights on Barnstaple Bridge yet the Leader of NDC, who is the Champion for South Molton, has not made monies available for the town.

Several Councillors also mentioned the problems with drains around the town and the Town Clerk advised that he would write to Cllr Yabsley asking for them to be cleared.

151/18 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.

153/18 It was RESOLVED that the meeting return to open session.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Chairman

Date