

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Town Council held online via Zoom on Monday 12 October 2020 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT

Cllr M C Hilliar (Town Mayor)
Cllr R D Sherriff (Deputy Town Mayor)
Cllr A F Chaplin
Cllr Mrs L D Evans
Cllr A J Harris
Cllr D J Hayward
Cllr Mrs C E Henkus
Cllr A L Jones
Cllr Mrs M P Lewis
Cllr H L Riddell
Cllr Mrs C A Sismore-Hunt
Cllr G Turner

Town Clerk: Mrs J E Vanstone

Others Present: District Cllr P M Jarvis and three members of the public

20.074 Public Speaking Time

Mr K Wood spoke on behalf of Budleigh Salterton Football Club as Club Secretary. He explained that the Club was run by volunteers and provided young people with a place to play sport, including coaching for youngsters aged 5 to 14 years. The Club was highly regarded by the Devon Football Association because of its great facilities.

He explained that the floodlights were 20 years old and were badly corroded – one was unsafe and unusable and the others were in a poor state. The cost of replacing them all would be in the region of £15000 to £20000.

The Club had asked the Devon FA for a Grant, had contacted a local charitable trust and were also fund-raising.

20.075 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from District Cllr A J Dent, District Cllr T D Wright and County Cllr Mrs C Channon.

20.076 Declarations of Interests in Items on the Agenda

- Cllr A L Jones declared a personal interest in Min 20.081 – he is a Member of the Football Club and Committee Member.
- Cllr H L Riddell also declared a personal interest in Min 20.081 – his uncle is on the Committee and his family is involved with the Club.

20.077 Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on 28 September 2020 and the Extraordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 5 October 2020 had been circulated prior to the Meeting. It was unanimously agreed they be signed as a true record.

20.078 Planning Applications

Application No: 20/1971/LBC
Location: 27 Fore Street (Fairlynch Museum and Arts Centre), EX9 6NP
Proposal: Replace 2no. French windows on front (south) elevation and 1no. French window on side (west) elevation
Letters Received: None at the time the observations were made
Observation: This Council supports the application which is vital maintenance to a beautiful building and a valuable town asset.

Application No: 20/1980/FUL
 Location: 6 Marine Parade, EX9 6NS
 Proposal: Proposed replacement balcony structure
 Letters Received: Two letters of objection at the time the observations were made
 Observations: This Council is unable to comment on this application as insufficient information has been submitted – there appears to be no Design and Access Statement or Heritage Impact Assessment. Members also felt this should be classed as a retrospective application as some work has already been undertaken on this property which is situated in the town's Conservation Area.

One member of the public left the meeting.

Application No: 20/2036/LBC
 Location: The Old Clink, 38 Fore Street, EX9 6NJ
 Proposal: Replace render with hung slate on side western elevation (amendments to approval 20/0112/LBC)
 Letters Received: None at the time the observations were made
 Observations: This Council supports the application which will protect the building for many years to come.

Application No: 20/2106/FUL
 Location: 31 Copp Hill Lane, EX9 6DX
 Proposal: Rear extension on modified garage to provide additional facilities, garden room and garden store
 Letters Received: None at the time the observations were made
 Observations: This Council supports the application which is similar to other extensions in this area

20.079 East Devon District Council: Planning Decisions – Approvals

Application No: 20/1364/FUL
 Location: 12 Little Knowle, EX9 6QS
 Proposal: Construction of glazed link to converted shed and double garage to front

Application No: 20/1439/FUL
 Location: Flat 1 Heathgate, 7 Lansdowne Road, EX9 6AH
 Proposal: Conversion and enlargement of existing outbuilding to form a ground floor residential annexe

20.080 Budleigh Community Workshop Trust

Consideration was given to using Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Receipts for all or part of the agreed Grant to the Trust.

The Town Mayor, Cllr M C Hilliar confirmed that the Council had already agreed to a Grant of £25000 and this discussion was to decide whether it should be paid from CIL Receipts or Town Council Reserves.

After a lengthy discussion it was

Resolved: The Grant will be paid from CIL Receipts on the condition that it is included in a CIL Delivery Plan which is to be produced by the CIL Committee at the earliest opportunity.

Members then considered whether to ask the Trust to sign a Grant Funding Agreement (GFA).

Examples of two GFAs had been circulated prior to the Meeting. The Town Mayor, Cllr M C Hilliar explained that both had been written by East Devon District Council; one had been used for the S.106 Monies paid to Knowle Village Hall for the playground refurbishment and the other was a newly updated version. He also explained that a GFA would enable the Council to reclaim its Grant if the project failed and the Trust had to sell the former Fire Station. It was

Resolved: The wording from both documents will be amalgamated into one document. Cllr D J Hayward and Cllr G Turner both said they would be happy to assist the Clerk with the preparation of any such document.

20.081 Request for Grant Aid 2020/21: Budleigh Salterton Football Club

Consideration was given to making a donation to the Club to help fund the purchase of replacement floodlighting.

Resolved: A donation will be made.

Consideration was then given to the amount of any donation.

Resolved: A donation of £15000 will be made and it was further agreed that this will be paid from CIL Receipts.

20.082 High Street Survey

The Town Mayor, Cllr M C Hilliar asked for volunteers to analyse the Survey results and report back to the Town Council when the analysis is complete.

Resolved: The following Councillors agreed to analyse the results:

- Cllr D J Hayward
- Cllr Mrs C E Henkus
- Cllr Mrs M P Lewis
- Cllr H L Riddell

20.083 Any Other Business at the Chairman's Discretion

- Cllr Mrs M P Lewis advised that she had attended a meeting of the Budleigh Salterton Covid Support Group:
 - The Hub was starting to see an increase in requests for support but so far had sufficient capacity to deal with this. They were still carrying out assisted shopping trips and telephone befriending. They had reported that anxiety levels were increasing.
 - The Group's finances were still healthy, and nine households were being supported. The average time that households were needing support seemed to be 18 weeks.
 - All was well at St Peter's School.
 - The surgery was coping well with no change in cases; this was mostly because residents were following the restrictions. The 'flu clinics had gone really well, again this was because all had "done as they were told"!
 - The Group would continue to meet on a fortnightly basis.
- Cllr Mrs Lewis then reported that she had attended a meeting of the Local Action Group. She explained that the multi-agency Group had not met since the start of the COVID-19 crisis and the last meeting had only been attended by Insp A Weeks and three councillors! A lot of the meeting had been taken up with issues in Exmouth and the only item which related to Budleigh Salterton was the possible installation of a left-hand priority lane out of Liverton Business Park which should help with congestion.
- Cllr D J Hayward thanked the Clerk for her time earlier that day when they had made a start on the budgets for 2021/22.

20.084 Dates of Next Meetings

All Meetings will be held via Zoom until further notice:

Planning Committee:	26 October 2020 at 7.00pm
Town Council:	26 October 2020 on the rising of the Planning Committee
Planning Committee:	9 November 2020 at 7.00pm
Public Hall Committee:	9 November 2020 on the rising of the Planning Committee
Community Gardens Committee:	9 November 2020 on the rising of the Public Hall Committee
Foreshore & Footpaths Committee:	9 November 2020 on the rising of the Community Gardens Committee
Planning Committee:	23 November 2020 at 7.00pm
Town Council:	23 November 2020 on the rising of the Planning Committee
Finance Committee:	23 November 2020 on the rising of the Town Council

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.15pm.

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Chairman

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Date