



Tiverton Town Council

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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the Council held on Monday 22nd July 2019 in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall at 6.30pm.

Present: Cllr’s C Slade (Mayor), S Griggs (Deputy Mayor) A Berry, J Blagg, W Burke, A Bush, S Bush, C Daw, N Davey, C Harrower, A Hendy, I Hill, D Knowles, G Luxton, A Mulligan, D Garcia-Parego, A Perris, S Rakobane, T Lindus, Town Clerk J Vanderwolfe, Assistant to the Town Clerk Mrs J Hubbard.

In attendance: Mayor’s Chaplain P Daw, Cllr Polly Colthorpe, Mr A Newsome (acting as the Beadle), Member of the press, and 2 members of the public.

34	Opening of the Meeting and Prayers Councillors were reminded of the policy for prayers. Rev P Daw conducted the Prayers.
35	Apologies: Apologies received from Cllrs B Holdman (Sick), L Cruwys (Away), P Hill (Away), J Rendle (Away), M Turner (Away). All accepted these apologies.
36	.Declarations of Interest None were declared at this stage of the meeting.
37	Minutes: To adopt the Minutes of the Meetings held on the 13th May, 3rd June, and 8th July 2019 as true records. All resolved to accept these Minutes. The Mayor Cllr C Slade signed the Minutes.
38	Matters arising from the above meetings There were no matters arising from the above meetings.
39	Mayor’s announcements Cllr C Slade read out the following report; It has been a couple of months into my term of office and I have fulfilled 23 engagements which included the Tiverton Rugby Club Anniversary Dinner, my Civic Service, Northam Mayor Introduction Evening, Great Torrington Mayor’s Civic Service, South Molton Old English Fayre, Exeter Lammas Fair, H.M.S. Enterprise visit, Old Blundellain Day, Tiverton Police Cadets Anniversary Event, Armed Forces Day Parade, Twinning Reception and Farewell Dinner, plus several school and church fetes. I would like to give my thanks to the Deputy Mayor who stood in for me on some of the events that I could not attend, and to the Mayoress who went to Blundell’s Preparatory Speech day when I was at sea with H.M.S. Enterprise and who has also accompanied me to several other events. I would also like to thank the Beadle and Mace Bearers for all their assistance. There are plenty more events in my diary including the President’s Lunch at the Mid Devon Show and Honiton Show. I can announce that the Mayor’s Charity Dinner will be on Saturday 5 th October 2019 at the Tiverton Hotel, more details to follow soon, but please put the date in your diary.
40	Democratic Period There were no members of the public wishing to speak.
41	Police Report No police report was received.

42	<p>Devon County Council Report</p> <p>Cllr P Colthorpe apologised in advance for not knowing the names of the new councillors and gave her apologies for not attending the last town council meeting, but said that she had brought along some notes to update.</p> <p>Cllr P Colthorpe then read out her report.* (Please see the attached report)*</p> <p>Questions were then asked by the councillors.</p> <p>Cllr I Hill asked in reference to the 20 mile an hour speed limit scheme, whether the accident track record was enough to bring in the new scheme, as it would be dependent on a lot of factors to determine suitability and would be difficult to enforce on rural roads. Cllr Hill pointed out that even roads with a current 40 mile limit and a track record of near misses or accidents the issues were difficult to resolve.</p> <p>Cllr A Hendy added that in her opinion the scheme would be difficult to police on rural roads as the police are unable to spare officers for these areas.</p> <p>Cllr A Hendy asked if members of the public could help monitor speed rates.</p> <p>Cllr P Colthorpe said that this was possible and that a speed limit task group could be set up with local neighbourhood kits being given on loan for this purpose. She said that this should be promoted and that Devon County Council should help promote this.</p> <p>Cllr S Griggs raised the issue of the new Tiverton High School building, as the plans have been moved and enlarged and whether this would be done in time for the Eastern Urban Extension.</p> <p>Cllr P Colthorpe replied to say that this was being worked on at high level both at Westminster and at County Hall and referred to Mid Devon District Council's Cabinet Minutes number 377 on the 7th July on the deferral of round 3 of development, she could not confirm whether money would be forthcoming.</p> <p>Cllr S Griggs then asked how the 20 an hour speed limit would be enforced.</p> <p>Cllr P Colthorpe said this was a problem for all of us.</p> <p>Cllr S Griggs asked if there were any updates on the plastic road surfaces that had been trialled in parts of the country.</p> <p>Cllr P Colthorpe replied that she did not have an update at present but that the county council were looking into this and she would endeavour to ask for further details on this.</p> <p>Cllr S Griggs asked if there was any news on the proposed new Lidl supermarket in Tiverton.</p> <p>Cllr P Colthorpe replied that she could not answer the question as an application had been approved.</p> <p>There were no other questions.</p> <p>Cllr C Slade informed the members that the Grand Western Canal had been awarded the Green Flag Award for the 11th consecutive year, this had taken huge commitment and he offered his congratulations.</p> <p>Cllr C Slade informed the members of the drive to replace street lampposts with low carbon LED lights reducing emissions by 75% which was the equivalent of taking 8000 cars on the road.</p> <p>He said that the Locality Budget still had plenty in the pot and that Cllr P Colthorpe still had some.</p> <p>Cllr C Slade told the members that further detailed information of all the above mentioned could be found on the Devon County Council website.</p>
43	<p>District Council Questions (prior notification please)</p> <p>There were no questions.</p> <p>Cllr S Bush expressed his concern regarding Mid Devon District Council questions saying that this system was not successful. He said that a return to receiving regular reports would be preferable. As he said that in his opinion the disconnection had grown, the understanding had shrunk at a time when there was a need to work together.</p> <p>Cllr C Slade suggested that a councillor could provide a report for Mid Devon District Council.</p> <p>It was agreed that a Mid Devon District report would be provided by a selected councillor.</p>
44	<p>Committee Minutes:</p> <p>a) Cllr D Knowles (Chair) presented the Finance & General Purpose Committee Minutes of the 10th June and the 8th July 2019.</p> <p>All resolved to accept these Minutes.</p> <p>b) Cllr W Burke (Chair) presented the Planning Committee Minutes of the 20th May and the 3rd June 2019.</p>

	<p>All resolved to accept these Minutes.</p> <p>c) Cllr S Griggs (Vice-Chair) presented the Civic & Ceremonial Committee Minutes of the 24th June 2019.</p> <p>All Resolved to accept these Minutes.</p> <p>d) Cllr G Luxton (Chair) presented the Allotment Committee Minutes of the 10th June 2019.</p> <p>All resolved to accept these Minutes.</p> <p>e) Cllr W Burke Tiverton in Bloom Committee Minutes of the 17th June 2019.</p> <p>All resolved to accept these Minutes.</p> <p>f) Cllr N Davey (Chair) presented the Staffing Committee Minutes of the 24th June 2019.</p> <p>All resolved to accept these Minutes.</p> <p>g) There were no other reports and statements.</p>
45	<p>Request for Sponsorship: Request for the council to sponsor the Mid Devon Business Awards Scheme- correspondence sent out.</p> <p>Town Clerk informed the council that this was a golden opportunity to be involved in supporting the local Community and suggested the £1,850 standard package option with possibly combining with Cullompton Town Council. He then asked if the councillors wished to sponsor the event.</p> <p>Cllr S Griggs said she thought it was an excellent idea and would support.</p> <p>Cllr W Burke then seconded.</p> <p>Cllr A Perris said he did not agree with the Awards as in his opinion they were Mid Devon awards run by Reach PLC who did not have a fantastic track record.</p> <p>A vote was conducted with 10 in favour, and 4 against.</p> <p>The motion was passed.</p>
46	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>There was no correspondence.</p>
47	<p>Next Meeting: Monday 23rd September 2019 at 6.30pm.</p>

Signed

Date