



Brixham Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Brixham Town Council

held in the Function Room, Brixham Town Hall; 12th April 2018 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs P Addison, R Clarke, D Giles, J Regan, J Stockman, J Stock and J Wilbraham.

Attending: Tracy Hallett, Town Clerk, Cllr R Haddock and 16 members of the public.

A member of the public raised his concerns on the redevelopment of the Bank Lane toilets to unisex toilets.

A member of the public raised concerns about the cost of repairs to the Breakwater and wanted to know how Torbay Council are going to raise the remaining outstanding amount required.

A representative of the Time and Tide project presented to members the project. She advised that a survey of the local shoreline had taken place, along with public meetings to talk about the project. It is an artistic project and will become a tourist attraction. The plan is to install 19 bells along the coastlines with Brixham having one. The project are looking for support, help with promotion and input from the Town Council.

18029. Apologies for absence through the Clerk.

Apologies received from Cllrs Campbell, Carr, Clutterbuck, Day, Morey and Stock as well as Ward Councillor Ellery.

18030. Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda.

None

18031. To consider any requests for dispensation.

None.

18032. To confirm and sign the minutes as a true record of the meeting held on 22.02.18.

The minutes and the confidential notes of 22.02.18 were **resolved** and signed as a correct record.

18033. To hear a report from the Police

PC Thomas advised members of the recent crime statistics, a copy of which is attached to the minutes. Compared to Paignton up 25%, Torquay 25%, Totnes and Newton Abbot 54%.

PC Thomas introduced Inspector Brugge who will be starting his role this month.

Councillors had an opportunity to ask questions.

It was resolved to suspend Standing orders.

Members of the public were given an opportunity to ask questions.

*It was **resolved** to reinstate Standing orders*

PC Thomas advised that they will be holding a campaign to stop use of mobile phones whilst driving as well as drink driving. He also advised there had been a spate of illegal lending and asked for information and evidence to help the catch offenders.

18034. To present the grant award

Grant awards were presented to:

Brixham Hap'nin for £4,000

Lynne Peets for floral display for £400

Brixham Royal British Legion for £500

Each group had an opportunity to explain about their project and how the grant will help them.

18035. To discuss and consider the Time and Tide project

*It was **resolved** to suspend standing orders to allow Councillors to ask questions on the project.*

It was **resolved** that Brixham Town Council supports in principle the Time and Tide Bell project subject to them reporting and discussing further ideas and commitments including financial requirements to the Community Services Committee.

*It was **resolved** to reinstate standing orders.*

18036. To hear reports from the Committee Chairpersons

Community Services Committee

It was reported that the Community Services Committee had heard a presentation from Brixham Future on the proposals for commemorating the end of WW1 and the 75th Anniversary of D Day. They had also heard updates on the Lanterns, Lights & 'luminations, Community Action Day, Community Flood Plan, website changes, end of WW1 celebrations, defibrillator and lengthsman.

Planning and Regeneration Committee

Cllr Stockman reported the outcome of the meeting for the Inglewood development. Officers at Torbay are not in a position to make a recommendation, but the application will be going to Torbay Council's Development Management meeting in the future. Cllr Stockman advised that the site is a rejected site in the Brixham Peninsula Neighbourhood Plan and suggested that as many people as possible attend the Development Management Committee to make representations on the application.

She went on to encourage people to report potholes to Torbay Council.

Finance and General Purposes Committee

Cllr Giles, reported the issues relating to the Information Kiosk and the potential Service Level Agreement to Kingswear Parish Council.

Evaluation Committee

The new Administrative Assistant will be starting on Monday and the next Committee is scheduled for 26th April.

Town Hall Sub Committee

The committee have agreed Heads of Terms to allow the Clerk to start to negotiate with the new Theatre group. Members of the public were reminded that the theatre is not closing, and the first show will be on 18th May with the Neil Diamond Tribute act.

18037. To hear reports from the Town Council Community Healthcare Working Group

Cllr Stockman reported that the group are trying to get an understanding of how this works within the town and have chosen Mental Health. From the membership 21 have had training and a further training course is due to take place with members of the community attending. Projects they are working on include partnership working with South Devon College and the introduction of a new logo, beer mats and a mobile app to promote mental health support in Brixham. They are also identifying areas that may be of concern with people suffering from mental health.

18038. To hear a report from Shoalstone Pool CIC

It was reported that they have raised about £12,000 from their crowdfunding page. They are working hard to repair the damage in time for the opening on 26th May. MP Sarah Wollaston will be attending to officially open the pool for the 2018 season and there will be lots of activities taking place during the day.

18039. To hear a report from the Brixham Peninsula Neighbourhood Forum

The plan is in the process of being accessed. It is hoped that they will not have to go through a hearing, but there will be some amendments needed. Once the amendments have been made, it will go to referendum and Cllr Stockman encouraged everyone to vote.

18040. To hear any Torbay Council Ward Councillor reports

Cllr Haddock reported that:

- the breakwater is insured and it is hoped that the full funding for the repair work will be covered.
- all four libraries have been saved, but they may not necessarily remain at the current location.
- 25 toilets, which were due to be closed are now due to be modernised and Brixham's Bank Lane toilets are the first ones to be changed.
- requested that his staff are included on any training events the Town Council run for the Community Emergency Response Team.

Cllr Stockman reported that:

- Brixham Town Council Planning and Regeneration Committee approved the Bank Lane Toilet planning application but objected to the unisex toilets requesting same sex toilet cubicles instead.
- Is now on the Executive Lead and have been attending regular meetings where there are a lot of positive outcomes due.
- Attended an Aging Well meeting and looked at setting up an older persons assembly.

18041. To present items for the next agenda.

- Information Point (possible)
- Oxen Cove development
- Town Centre Masterplan
- Bank Lane Toilets
- Invite Torbay Council Chief Executive to advise how and what circumstances delegated powers are given

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Chairperson

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