



## Brixham Town Council

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Community & Environment Committee held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 6:00pm in the Function Room, Brixham Town Hall

<b>Present</b>	Councillors P Addison, D Giles, R Haddock, E Hoggart and J Regan.
<b>In attendance</b>	Linda McGuirk, Deputy Town Clerk
<b>Welcome</b>	Cllr Haddock opened the meeting
<b>Public Questions</b>	None

<b>21063</b>	<b>Apologies for absence through the Clerk</b> None.
<b>21064</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda.</b> Cllr Haddock declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 12.
<b>21065</b>	<b>To confirm and sign the minutes as a true record of the meetings held on 23.08.21</b> The minutes of the meeting held on the 23.08.21 were <b>resolved</b> and signed as a true record.
<b>21066</b>	<b>Lighting a beacon for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee</b> Members considered the project initiation document and it was <b>resolved</b> to accept the recommendations contained within: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Proceeds with a Beacon Lighting event on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022.</li><li>2. Registers the event with the Pageantmaster.</li><li>3. Requests the Budget task &amp; finish group considers a budget £1,000.00</li></ol>
<b>21067</b>	<b>Newsletter</b> The Deputy Clerk advised members that a review of the printing costs associated with the production of the Signal newsletter had taken place. It was noted that a quote had been received which was minimally cheaper than the current provider.  It was <b>resolved</b> to stay with the current provider and review printing costs every other year as we move towards digital publication.
<b>21068</b>	<b>Community Recovery Plan</b> a) To work with Brixham Future to deliver on ideas for brightening up the central area. Cllr Hoggart queried the above agenda item and was unsure why it was included on the agenda.  Members discussed the Community Recovery Task & Finish group actions and heard updates from the Deputy Clerk. It was noted SWISCo have confirmed they will be purchasing 200 bins sensors and associated software.

	<p>The sensors will be installed proportionately across the Bay and will be located in bins in the outlying areas.</p> <p>Cllr Haddock thanked Cllr Giles for his persistence regarding implementation of bin technology.</p> <p>Members discussed how task &amp; finish groups are performing, it was suggested members and officers sit down together to ensure everyone understands the role of task &amp; finish groups and what constitutes a project and what constitutes a scheme under the existing framework of what the council does, particularly in relation to the high street recovery.</p>
<b>21069</b>	<p><b>Lengthsmen</b> Members discussed the Lengthsmen works report and noted its content.</p> <p>Cllr Giles requested an income column is added to the report and copied to F&amp;GP.</p> <p>Cllrs Addison and Hoggart raised concerns that some of the jobs being undertaken were the responsibility of landowners or Torbay Council.</p> <p>The Deputy Town Clerk advised, when the Lengthsmen scheme was established it was understood there would be some duplication of service whilst supplementing the work of the local authority for the benefit of residents.</p> <p>The Deputy Clerk assured work is regularly forwarded to Torbay Council to action. The works report being discussed by the committee only shows the work completed by the Lengthsmen and doesn't reflect the volume of enquiries the office receive and pass to the local authority for action. Further advising the Town Council has developed a good working relationship with highways and SWISCo</p> <p>Cllr Giles said he receives positive praise regarding the Lengthsmen work. He appreciated the Council receives services in kind from the local authority to support the Lengthsmen's work and suggested the council reviews what the value of the in kind support is against the cost of the service.</p> <p>Cllr Haddock would also like to see the cost of the work the Lengthsmen do, that TC should be doing. It was suggested the Deputy Clerk looks at the costs and reports back.</p>
<b>21070</b>	<p><b>Date of next meeting</b> To note the date of the next meeting which is scheduled for the 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021.</p>
<b>21071</b>	<p><b>Items for future agendas</b> Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to raise items for future agendas, giving details of why the Council should consider the item. See table at the end of the minutes.</p>
<b>21072</b>	<p><b>Exclusion of the Public and Press</b> That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the</p>

	meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted  It was <b>resolved</b> to exclude the public and press.
<b>21073</b>	<b>Civic Award</b> To discuss any nominations received.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Proposed by</b>
Town Emergency Plan	ongoing	
Lengthsman	ongoing	Regular agenda item
Climate & Environment Policy	Action Plan, set targets.	Cllr Hoggart
Queens Jubilee 2022	Update	
Future projects, Wildflower verges, Fore Street improvements.		
Website Review		
Garden Assistance Review of service		
Watering review		
Floral displays		

The meeting closed at 19:30

Chairperson ..... Date.....