Brixham Town Council



Minutes of the Meeting of Brixham Town Council held at Brixham Town Hall on 9th March 2022 at 6.00pm

Present	Cllrs R Haddock, S Laurie, S Leech, A Massey and J Regan
In attendance	Tracy Hallett, Town Clerk, Ross Green, Deputy Town Clerk, Cllr M Morey of Torbay Council and four members of the public.
Welcome	Councillor Haddock opened the meeting.
Public Participation	A resident asked the Council information on the Town Centre Regeneration, relating it to the previous design by Tesco.
	Practice Nurse from Compass House asking for help / advice from the Council. Since the lockdowns a lot of people have lost their confidence in being able to engage with the outside world.

Cllr Haddock asked those present to stand for a minute of reflection to express the Council's solidarity for Ukraine prior to the commencement of the meeting.

22023	Apologies for absence through the Clerk. Apologies were received from Cllrs Addison, Blackmore, Swain and Roseveare. Cllr Okurut had advised that she would be late.
22024	To confirm and sign the minutes as a true record of the meeting held on the 9 th February 2022. The minutes of the meeting held on the 9 th February 2022 were resolved and signed as a correct record.
22025	Declarations of Interest None.
22026	Standing Orders It was resolved to suspend Standing Orders and invite Prospect Brixham to address the Council.
22027	Presentation – Prospect Brixham Prospect Brixham was invited to address the Council and present details of their project. Prospect Brixham, including the Brixham Data Trust pilot, will be looking at opportunities of stewardship and data rights in Brixham. They have received some funding from the Data Trusts pilot for them to carry out their project. They will be working with individuals and groups within the community to form a data trust for the benefit of the community. Councillors had an opportunity to ask questions.

22028	To discuss and consider a response to the presentation It was resolved to support the project and it was suggested that the Prospect Brixham may wish to consider including Town Centre Regeneration, Town Hall Regeneration, the bus network, road network and services within their data collection.		
22029	Standing Orders It was resolved to reinstate Standing Orders.		
22030	Community and Environment Committee Recommendations It was resolved to appoint Aubergine to set up the Council's new website.		
22031	Finance and General Purposes Committee Recommendations It was resolved to accept the reserves as noted in report 06-2022a.		
22032	Planning and Regeneration Committee Recommendations It was resolved to defer this item to the next meeting. Cllr Massey agreed to attend a meeting in the interim, if it was urgent.		
22033	Planning Applications		
	P/2021/0531: Former St. Kilda It was resolved to support the application, but requested that priority is given to Brixham residents.		
	P/2022/0052: 103 Berry Head Road No objection.		
	P/2022/0054: 60A Fore Street Whilst some Councillors reported they had used the restaurant, it was considered that no Councillor had an interest. No objection.		
	<u>P/2022/0190 & 0191: Former St. Kilda</u> No objection.		
22013	Audit The interim audit report was noted.		
22014	Ward Councillors Reports Cllr Morey reported: 1. He had recently had a meeting with the Torbay Officer regarding the possible Town Centre Redevelopment. They have considered the proposal from Lighting up Brixham but this is unfortunately unviable. They are working with a local architect for some ideas that could incorporate some of the suggestions from the Lighting up Brixham proposal. Torbay are keen to ensure that the development does not affect local businesses in the nearby roads. They understand that the local community are asking for additional car parking spaces as well as trying to include a public realm space.		

Cllr Massey reminded Cllr Morey that the three key areas the community have requested for the Town Centre development are:

- Parking
- Town Square / Public Realm
- Coach parking

Cllr Morey advised that all three were being considered within the development, but it was difficult to fulfil all of these in the area and were looking for alternative options for the Town Square / Public Realm.

Cllr Morey acknowledged that there is a problem with coach drop areas and recognises that they do cause congestion in Brixham.

- Cllr Morey was asked for an explanation of why the recycling had not been collected. He advised that there is a severe shortage of drivers and SWISCo were doing everything they could to fill the vacancies, which included HGV training.
- 3. Green waste collection at Brixham College was restarting.
- 4. Paignton and Torquay had successful outcomes for culture and he is keen to work with Brixham Town Council to ensure Brixham also benefits.
- 5. Upton Manor Campsite application will be heard in Brixham, but is unlikely to take place before the end of March / early April due to a request for a delay from the Development Company.

Cllr Morey was thanked for attending the Town Council meeting and providing a report.

22015 Committee Reports

Finance and General Purposes

Cllr Haddock advised there was nothing further to add apart from what had already been discussed earlier in the meeting.

Planning and Regeneration

No report.

Community and Environment

Cllr Haddock advised that all the committee requests for potential projects had been included in the budget.

22001 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting, scheduled for 13th April 2022 at 6pm, was noted.

22002 Items for future agenda

Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to raise items for future agendas, giving details of why the Council should consider the item.

1. Cllr Massey - Shoalstone update

2. Cllr Massey - Updates on meetings with Torbay Council

The meeting closed at 19:42

- 3. Cllr Leech Project progress updates: Cycle Routes & Cycle Parking
- 4. Cllr Haddock Police update or Police Liaison Councillor to give a report
- 5. Cllr Haddock Possible sponsorship for a Ukrainian family relocated to Brixham

Chairperson	Date