



Brixham Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Brixham Town Council held at Brixham Town Hall on 13th July 2022 at 6.00pm

Present	Cllrs P Addison, D Blackmore, C Gray, R Haddock, S Leech, J Regan and C Simmonds Councillor Simmonds advised that the will need to leave the meeting at 7pm.
In attendance	Tracy Hallett, Town Clerk and four members of the public
Welcome	Councillor Haddock opened the meeting.
Public Participation	No matters were brought to the Council's attention Members discussed with the Harbour Master the problems raised with the fishing at the Berry Head quarry. The Harbour Master was able to update Members on the progress of the latest multi agency discussions.

22094	Apologies for absence through the Clerk. Apologies from Councillors Laurie, Roseveare and Swain had been received.
22095	To confirm and sign the minutes as a true record of the meeting held on the 8th June 2022. The minutes of the meeting held on the 8 th June 2022 were resolved and signed as a correct record.
22096	Declarations of Interest None.
22097	Standing Orders It was resolved to suspend Standing Orders.
22098	Shoalstone Seawater Pool <u>To hear a presentation on the works required at the Pool</u> Members heard from representatives of Shoalstone Seawater Pool CIO that they had changed to a CIO to enable them to apply for funding to support the pool. Members were advised that the last known works carried out by Torbay Council was to the North West corner of the pool and following a recent survey it has been established that this is now failing. Following the latest survey, a method statement has been produced and the cost of the works is likely to be in the region of £400,000-£500,000. Until the works have been carried out, the pool is at risk and could be lost after one or two large storms. This means that time is of the essence and works need to be carried out. However, fund raising needs to take place and grant funding needs to be applied for prior to any works commencing. This cannot be done without a long term lease / long agreement with Brixham Town Council.

	<p><u>To discuss and consider the content of the presentation</u> A further discussion took place with the representatives of Shoalstone Seawater Pool CIO and Councillors thanked them for attending and stressing the urgency.</p> <p>The Clerk advised that Torbay Council's initial response to an asset transfer was no. However, she has spoken with the Officer and advised of the required works, stressing the timescale and asking for guarantees that Torbay Council will apply for match funding that is required to support SSPCIO's grant funding. The Officer agreed to have further discussions and the Clerk is currently waiting for an update.</p>
<p>22099</p>	<p>White Ribbon <u>To hear a presentation</u> Cllr Leech gave a presentation on the White Ribbon and asked the Council to support the White Ribbon campaign.</p> <p><u>To discuss and consider being a White Ribbon Champion</u> Concerns were raised that the White Ribbon did not address the abuse for men to men or women to men. Councillor Leech advised that there are many other organisations that will support all the different types of abuse.</p> <p>It was resolved that the Town Council should support the White Ribbon campaign and include the White Ribbon on the Council's headed paper.</p> <p>For: Four Against: None Abstain: Three</p>
<p>22094</p>	<p>Emergency Item: Torbay Council's Levelling up Application Cllr Haddock advised that the Town Council had received a letter from residents in the nearby area raising their concerns on the levelling up application and asked the Clerk to read the letter after the Harbour Master had presented the proposal to the Council.</p> <p>At the start of the Harbour Master's presentation, Cllr Haddock advised that Brixham Town Council had not seen a copy of the original application. The Harbour Master apologised on behalf of Torbay Council.</p> <p>The Harbour Master presented plans that formed the original application as well as what will form part of the latest application. With the reasoning on why he considered that this would be a better option.</p> <p>He advised that he had consulted with Brixham Yacht Club representatives who were, at the time supportive of the proposals. However, subsequent to the meeting they voiced their concerns.</p> <p><i>Councillor Simmonds left the Chamber.</i></p> <p>Councillors had an opportunity to ask questions and raise their concerns which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brixham does not have the infrastructure for the additional HGVs

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If challenged under trades description – where does Brixham stand because some of the fish to not Brixham fish even though it is being sold as Brixham fish • Torbay Council being held to ransom by one organisation and seem to be supporting it rather than supporting other businesses • The risk that some individuals are benefiting whilst others are struggling • Brixham is not just a fishing town, it is also a tourist destination and a place to live • The purposes of the levelling up was to benefit communities, and this project did not necessary do this • How many jobs this will actually create for Brixham • Would have preferred to see this benefit the fund benefit the community by resolving the parking problems and vehicular in structure in the town <p>It was proposed and seconded to support the application</p> <p>Cllr Haddock proposed an amendment to the proposal with the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BTA should be paying into a fund, managed by BTC to be invested into the community • Torbay Council to start work on parking and access issues for Brixham <p>The Harbour Master advised that he could not guarantee these conditions.</p> <p>A further discussion took place on the conditions that Councillor Haddock had requested. Councillors raised concern and the Clerk suggested alternative wording.</p> <p><i>It was resolved to extend the meeting for a further 30 minutes.</i></p> <p>The Town Council resolved to support the application. However, given that the Levelling up Scheme was to invest in the community, the Town Council requests a business plan from Torbay on how the additional income from the project would be reinvested into the Brixham community.</p> <p>For: 4 Against: 1 Abstain: 1</p> <p>Councillors thanked the Harbour Master for attending the meeting and giving his vision for the proposed project and future projects.</p>
22095	<p>Standing Orders It was resolved to reinstate Standing Orders.</p>
22096	<p>Police Liaison Report Cllr Addison reported that he attended a Police Hub meeting initiated by the local MP. This was mainly aimed at the area covered by the Totnes Basic Crime Unit. However, Torbay is likely to have a Police Hub in due course.</p>

	The Police Hub not just incorporates the Emergency planning element, but also gives Officers an opportunity to have a safe space to meet designated contacts and access to facilities.
22097	<p>Fore Street Councillors raised concern that drivers are ignoring the roads signs showing that vehicular access is prohibited between 10am and 10pm. The latest incident has seen someone being hit by a vehicle. The injured person reported it to the Police who advised them to contact Torbay Council. Councillors raised concern that unless something is done, a fatality will occur.</p> <p>It was resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Town Council will continue to pursue the concerns with Torbay Council • Include this item on the September agenda
22098	<p>Brixham Peninsula Neighbourhood Plan It was resolved to appoint Urban Vision Enterprise to support the Council with the refresh of the Brixham Peninsula Neighbourhood Plan.</p>
22099	<p>Committee Reports It was resolved to defer this item.</p>
22100	<p>Date of next meeting The date of the next meeting, scheduled for 14th September 2022 at 6pm, was noted.</p>
22101	<p>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.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cllr Massey - Shoalstone update 2. Cllr Blackmore – Report from Torbay Harbour Authority on their strategic plans for the harbour 3. Primary Care updates – Cllr Massey 4. Advanced planning on the Coronation events (C&E) – Cllr Leech
22102	<p>Exclusion of press and public It was resolved to exclude the press and public due to the nature of the discussions about to take place.</p>

The meeting closed at 20:40

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