

# SEATON TOWN COUNCIL

## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

25<sup>th</sup> February 2008

**PRESENT:** Cllr Mrs Semple (Chairman)  
Cllrs Mrs P Collins, L Garner, M Greenyer, J Knight, G Jones, J Meakin, R Palacio, Mrs C Wise

**APOLOGIES:** Cllrs P Burrows, Miss S O'Connell and Mrs J Roebuck

**IN ATTENDANCE:** PC R Hutter  
6 Members of the public

The Chairman welcomed Mr P Higginson, the interim Clerk, to the meeting.

### **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no matters raised.

**550/07** **APOLOGIES**  
Apologies were accepted and approved.

**551/07** **BEAT MANAGER'S REPORT**  
There were seventeen reported crimes in February and the full details are attached to these Minutes. PC Rutter stated he was having difficulty in resolving the parking in the pedestrianised area. It was agreed the Traffic Group should meet to consider the problem, and that PC Rutter should be present. It was also agreed to invite Mr Paul Wilson of Devon County Council to come and speak to the Council. PC Rutter also stated it would be ideal were a teenage shelter to be provided in the vicinity of the skateboard park. Concern was also expressed at the increase in cases of assault.  
.PC Rutter then left the meeting.

**552/07** **COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' WRITTEN REPORTS**  
A written report by Cllr Mrs S Jones of East Devon District Council is attached to these Minutes

**553/07** **MINUTES**  
The Minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2008 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**554/07** **COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
Minutes of the following committee meetings were adopted:

a. Planning – 14<sup>th</sup> January 2008 & 28<sup>th</sup> January 2008

- b. Allotments – 18<sup>th</sup> February 2008
- c. Finance and General Purposes – 14<sup>th</sup> January 2008 & 11<sup>TH</sup> February 2008
- d. Personnel – 8<sup>th</sup> January 2008

**555/07     DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr J Knight declared an interest as an East Devon District Council Member.

**556/07     CHAIRMAN'S REPORT ON OFFICIAL ENGAGEMENTS**

The Chairman reported she has attended a Twinning Meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2008 and a DAPC Meeting at Musbury

**557/07     TO PROPOSE THAT THIS COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE POLICE IN THE COMMUNITY IN THEIR REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE INSTALLATION OF CCTV IN THE TOWN (Cllr Burrows)**

In the absence of Cllr Burrows it was resolved to defer this item to the March meeting. Cllr Greenyer declared a personal interest in this item.

**558/07     TO AGREE A POLICY OF AWARDING GRANTS TO LOCAL GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS (Cllr Burrows)**

In the absence of Cllr Burrows it was resolved to defer this item to the March meeting.

**559/07     THAT CRAIG NATION BE THE ADOPTED PERSON FOR CHAPTER 8 ACCREDITATION (Street Fair)**

As a first step it was Resolved the Clerk find out if a Register is held of qualified persons, and if there is a qualified resident of Seaton

**560/07     TO AGREE NOMINATIONS TO THE SEATON REGENERATION BOARD AND TO AGREE SUBSTITUTES IF PRIMARY NOMINEES ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND**

It was Resolved to nominate:

Primary nominees – Chairman and Cllr J Meakin

Substitute nominees – Cllrs Mrs C Wise and Cllr Mrs P Collins

**561/07     TO AGREE 2 ADDITIONAL CHEQUE NOMINEES**

It was resolved the Chairman and Cllr Mrs P Collins be the additional nominees.

**562/07     TO WRITE TO THE SEATON EXPLORER SCOUTS CONGRATULATING THEM ON THEIR ACHIEVEMENT THAT FOUR MEMBERS OBTAINED THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD (Cllr Jones)**

It was so Resolved

**563/07     THAT THIS COUNCIL WRITE TO WOOLWORTHS TO THANK THEM FOR IMPROVING THE WOOLWORTHS BUILDING (Cllr Roebuck)**

It was Resolved that the Clerk would so write if the letter has not previously been sent. It was also Resolved the Clerk write to Western

Power to ask that the power poles in Fore Street be removed and the cables placed underground.

**564/07 TOWN DESIGN STATEMENT – UPDATE ON THE WORK OF THE TOWN DESIGN GROUP AND ITS DRAFT REPORT**

The Chairman made the point that the report before them was the Zone 1 report only. It was Resolved to deal with this by means of a Task and Finish Group, the first meeting to be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2008 at 7.30pm to which all Members were invited.

**565/07 STATÉGIC HOUSING LAND AVAILABILITY – FEEDBACK ARRANGMENTS**

It was resolved the Clerk provide members with the EDDC link for the papers, for Members to make their comments to the Clerk by 14<sup>th</sup> March and for Members to meet prior to the Planning Meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> March to finalise the Council response.

**566/07 THAT SEATON TOWN COUNCIL ENDEAVOUR TO CONSIDER PEAK OIL IN ALL ITS ACTIONS AND DECISIONS(Cllr Wise)**

Members took note

**567/07 EDDC LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK – SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL – FEEDBACK BY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2008**

It was Resolved:

The Clerk provide Members with the EDDC link

That Members send their comments to the Clerk by 7<sup>th</sup> March 2008

That a letter is sent to EDDC complaining of the lack of time allowed for

The proper consideration of these and other important consultative documents.

**568/07 TO PROPOSE THAT THE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND COSTINGS PREPARED BY MR FINDEL-HAWKINS AND MR WHITLOCK BE ACCEPTED AND SUBMITTED TO EDDC WITH THE RECOMMENDATION THAT SEATON TOWN COUNCIL ENTER INTO A SIMILAR ARRANGMENT FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF SEATON TOWN HALL AS EXISTS FOR THE MANOR PAVILLION SIDMOUTH FOR AN INTIAL PERIOD OF 3 YEARS**

The proposal failed to attract a proposer and seconder and therefore fell. It was Resolved to discuss the matter of the Friends of Seaton Town Hall at the March Meeting.

**569/07 CORRESPONDENCE**

a) Resignation of Mr J Seward from the TIC Advisory Committee – It was Resolved to send a letter of thanks to Mr Seward

b) Press release from Tesco re cleaning up the site – Members took note. The Clerk was asked to check with the Devon Wildlife Trust that this is an acceptable time for the work to be done viz a viz the wildlife on the site.

c) EDDC – Road Closures 26<sup>th</sup> May 2008 ( Lions)

20<sup>TH</sup> July 2008 (Seaton Phoenix) – Members took note. Cllr Knight declared a prejudicial interest in the Seaton Phoenix application.

d) EDDC – Anti social behaviour powers under the Clean Neighbourhood Act – Members took Note.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Next Full Council Meeting will be 25<sup>th</sup> March 2008

**These Minutes confirmed this .....day of .....2008**

**Presiding Chairman .....**