Exmouth Town Council

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This meeting is open to the Public and Press

Wednesday 8th June 2022

To: All Members of Exmouth Town Council

Dear Councillors,

A Meeting of Exmouth Town Council, to which you are summoned, will be held in the Town Hall, First Floor, Exmouth, EX8 1AW on Monday 13th June at 6:30pm to consider the matters detailed on the agenda below.

Members of the press and public are welcome to observe the meeting and should register in advance by emailing townclerk@exmouth.gov.uk

By registering as an observer, members of the public will not automatically be permitted to speak; anybody wishing to address Members during the public speaking session will need to register separately with the Town Clerk.

Yours faithfully

Lisa Bowman
TOWN CLERK

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**

The meeting will adjourn for the Public Forum.

Public Forum:

• Public speaking is limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per person and to a total of 15 minutes

• Questions should be submitted one clear working day before the meeting to enable them to be answered more fully and precisely

• The Chairman will usually invite speakers in the order in which requests to speak were lodged. Only if time allows will further speaking from the floor be accepted
• Where several speakers wish to make similar points, the chairman has the right to request one spokesperson
• As the formal meeting stands adjourned for the Forum, questions or statements from the public are not recorded in the meeting minutes but in an appendix attached to those minutes. This will not be a verbatim report of the Forum, but will record the name of the speaker, brief synopsis of the topic or question and outline of any immediate response or copy of a written reply.

The meeting will reconvene.

2. **Council Meeting Minutes:**
   To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Town Council meeting held on 16th May 2022 (circulated)

3. **Matters arising from the Council Meeting minutes (for information only)**

4. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and Dispensations:**
   Members to declare any interests they may have on the agenda and agree any dispensations to stay

5. **To resolve that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of item(s) in Part II of the agenda as it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.**

6. **To receive and consider reports and minutes of Committees, Working Parties, other local bodies and the Town Clerk/Deputy Town Clerk, District and County Councillors as appropriate:**

- **Planning Committee:** notes and minutes of meetings held on 28th March, 11th April, 25th April, 9th May & 23rd May 2022 (attached).
- **Town Clerk's Report** (to be circulated separately)
- **Deputy Clerk's Report** (to be circulated separately)
- **Climate and Ecological Emergency Working Party:** notes of the meeting held on 12th April 2022 (attached).
- **Community Organisations Liaison Panel:** notes of the meetings held on 25th April & 30th May 2022 (attached).

- **Festival and Events Working Party:** notes of the meetings held on 7th April & 20th May 2022 (attached).
- **Flooding and Land Drainage:** notes of the meeting held on 10th May 2022 (attached).
- **S106 & CIL Working Party:** notes of the meeting held on 31st May 2022 (attached)

and to ratify

1) **A recommendation (subject to written confirmation from an officer at EDDC that there is no ongoing liability for maintenance or revenue costs) that Exmouth Town Council agrees to contribute £20,000 from its accrued CIL funds towards the cost of the Phear Park flood lights.**

2) A recommendation (subject to being involved in future discussions regarding the detail of the Gateway proposals) that Exmouth Town Council agrees to contribute £400,000 as match funding from its accrued CIL funds towards Devon County Council's Levelling Up Round Two bid.

- **Town Maintenance Overview Working Party:** notes of the meetings held on 14th April & 12th May 2022 (attached)
- **Town Premises Working Party**: notes of the meeting held on 9th May 2022 (attached)
- **Waterfront Working Party:** notes of the meeting held on 5th April 2022 (attached).
- **Reports from members who represent the Council on Outside Bodies**
    - **Exmouth Queens Drive Delivery Group:** notes of the meetings held on 3rd May 2022 (attached).
    - **WEB Health and Well-being Board:** notes of the meeting held on 5th May 2022 (attached).
    - **Exmouth Twinning Association:** report from Councillor Tim Dumper to be circulated separately.
    - **DALC Larger Councils Committee:** notes of the meeting held 11th May 2022.
    - **Fairtrade:** report from Councillor Tim Dumper – to be circulated separately.

- **District Councillors' Reports**
- **County Councillors' Report**

7. To review and adopt the Annual Accounts for 2021/2022

- Income and Expenditure Accounts for year ending March 31st 2022

- Balance Sheet for year ending March 31st 2022
- Earmarked Reserves as at March 31st 2022
- Asset Register as at March 31st 2022

8. Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021/2022

I. To review and receive the Annual Internal Audit Report
II. To consider and approve the Annual Governance Statement
III. To consider and approve the Annual Accounting Statements

9. To approve a recommendation from the HR Group that the Council adopts an enhanced TOIL (time off in lieu) policy so that staff who are required to work on Saturdays, Sundays, and Bank Holidays in support of Town Council events receive enhanced TOIL. TOIL will be granted at a rate of one and a half hours for every hour worked on Saturday. For hours worked on a Sunday or Bank Holiday, TOIL at a rate of two hours for every hour worked will be granted.

10. To receive and discuss a motion from Councillor Mike Rosser (supporting documentation attached):

- ETC thanks the "End Sewage Convoys and Pollution in Exmouth" group for their research and their documents – see attached - evidencing :

1) Increase of sewage discharges at Maer Rocks.
2) That sewage is discharged not just when there has been heavy rainfall
3) That convoys of lorries have been importing sewage into Exmouth.
4) That on occasions sewage has overflowed from the SWW storage tank onto the Maer Nature reserve.

- ETC is extremely concerned about the increasing amount of sewage being imported into Exmouth by lorry, the consequential damage to roads and the resulting carbon footprint.
- ETC is also extremely concerned about the quantity of sewage being discharged at Maer Rocks, which is adjacent to bathing areas of the beach.
- ETC will write to the CEO of SWW and invite her to address the next Council meeting to explain what SWW are doing to address these concerns. If she is unable to attend. ETC will ask her for a statement of what specific action is being taken by SWW with time scales to address these issues.

- A priority for ETC is the safety of all beach users (throughout the year – not just within the bathing season) and as such the need for them to be informed when sewage is being discharged near to the beach. ETC considers that current systems for alerting beach users are inadequate. ETC will ask EDDC to urgently review their beach management plan (Please see attached) and put into place a system to alert all users when sewage is discharged – e.g. brown flags/ red lights with accompanying notice boards

  https://eastdevon.gov.uk/media/1769131/exmouth-bmp.pdf

- ETC is also concerned that new housing development will increase the quantity of sewage and will ask SWW if measures are in place to meet this need. If this is not the case, ETC will ask EDDC to refuse permission for any new housing development within East Devon.
- ETC will issue a press and media statement explaining what it will do regarding these concerns.

Date of next meeting: 11 July 2022