

## **Tiverton Town Council**

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Minutes of the Civic & Ceremonial Committee Meeting held in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

**Present**: Cllr's L Cruwys (Chairman), A Berry, W Burke, N Davey, S Griggs, C Harrower, A Hendy and J Rendle

In attendance: Mr J Vanderwolfe (Town Clerk) and Cllr A Perris.

Not Present: Cllr's I Hill

055	Election of Chairman and vice-chairman			
	Cllr L Cruwys was elected chairman and Cllr S Griggs as vice-chairman.			
056	Apologies Apologies had been received from Cllr C Sade, Cllr E Slade, Cllr J Blagg and Cllr D Knowles.			
057	Declaration of Interest			
	None declared at this stage of the meeting.			
058	Minutes			
	The minutes of the meeting held on the 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2021 were adopted as a true			
	record.			
059	Matters Arising			
	There were no matters arising.			
060	Democratic Period			
	Cllr A Perris spoke in favour of the motion being put forward by Cllr A Hendy. He			
	felt that there was no requirement for this rules as members could decide themselves			
061	whether a candidate was worthy or not of holding the position of mayor.  Motion			
001	Cllr A Hendy proposed that following motion, <i>To rescind the decision made in</i>			
	minute 205 of the Civic and Ceremonial Committee meeting of the 9 <sup>th</sup> September			
	2013 that a candidate for the position of mayor must have served a a councillor for a			
	minimum of four years prior to nomination. The motion was seconded by Cllr N			
	Davey. Cllr Hendy stated that she wished to make it clear that in bringing this motion			
	to this meeting it was not with the motive of wishing to become the mayor nest year			
	She went on to explain that she was a business woman and would not have the time to			
	give the position the time that it required, she did however feel very strongly that the			

	rule was unfair, and was indeed against the Localism Act. Cllr Davey stated that he could see no justification for having the rule in place, and agreed it should be taken out. Several councillors spoke against the motion feeling that there was a need to gain experience of the various committees of the council prior to becoming the mayor. The vote resulted in 2 members being in favour, with 5 against; the motion was therefore lost.		
062	Protocol Document		
	It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting.		
063	Devon General Bus Society Vintage Bus Day  The town clerk updated the meeting on this event. There will hopefully be about ten vintage buses in the town for the day providing free trips from the bus station.  Passengers will not alight at any destinations, but will return to the bus station. It is also hoped that there will be a number of activities at the Pannier Market during the day. The town clerk and the mayor are meeting with key members of the Town Centre Partnership next month to discuss this event, and other possible events in the town. There had been a meeting with the Safety Advisory Group (SAG), who had discussed the operation of the day and the risk assessments.		
064	Christmas Light Switch On		
	It was agreed that the switch on of the Christmas lights would take place on Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2021, subject of course to any Covid-19 restrictions that might be in place for such an event.		
065	Events Working Party		
	It was agreed that the town clerk would send out an email to all members seeking membership of this working party. The working party would investigate possible events in the town. Because they are a working party they would be able to have zoom meetings if required.		
066	Next Meeting Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> September at 615pm		

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