

**Minutes of the Strategy, Economy & Tourism Committee Meeting of the Town  
Council held on  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 6.00pm**

**Present**

**St Michael's Ward**

Cllr Fowles  
Cllr Wakefield  
Cllr Sheen  
Cllr Doran

**St Paul's Ward**

Cllr Pearsall

**In attendance**

Stephen Hill, Town Clerk  
Val Sheen – member of public

- 25/43/SC Apologies for absence**  
Cllr R Sexton gave apologies.
- 25/44/SC Declarations of Interests**  
None
- 25/45/SC Dispensations**  
None
- 25/46/SC Public Question Time for items on the agenda**  
None
- 25/47/SC Strategy Committee held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025**  
**Committee RESOLVED to approve for accuracy the minutes of the Strategy, Economy & Tourism Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025 as published and circulated with the agenda.**  
Proposed by Cllr Fowles and seconded by Cllr Pearsall  
For 5, Against 0, Abstentions 0.
- 25/48/SC Youth Council**  
Committee **NOTED** progress from the Working Group. A Mission Statement has been drafted by the Working Group. Letter to be sent to all youth groups and schools: HCC, Axminster and Ottery. Meeting planned for Monday 13 October 25, 5pm.
- 25/49/SC Charter Day 2026 Tender/Quotes**

The Council had advertised until 5 September 25 for a local group to offer to plan and operate Charter Day; no group had been forthcoming and hence **Committee RESOLVED to proceed with obtaining quotes/Tendered prices for planning/organisation and operation of Charter Day 2026.**

Proposed by Cllr Pearsall and seconded by Cllr Wakefield

For 5, Against 0, Abstentions 0.

**25/50/SC Devon Local Government Reorganisation (LGR)**

The TC summarised the paper: HTC's response to Devon LGR. Committee **NOTED** Council priorities, possible impacts on Honiton Town Council and an all Councillors informal briefing planned for 17 September 2025 and welcomed a meeting with surrounding Parish Councils.

**25/51/SC Identifying Projects from Council Priorities: Economy, Tourism and Environment**

**Committee RESOLVED to arrange an Away Day to identify Priority Projects** with a preference to be away from the Beehive, matching Projects to resources and discussed Project Implementation Plans (PIPs).

Proposed by Cllr Pearsall and seconded by Cllr Sheen

For 5, Against 0, Abstentions 0.

**25/52/SC To close the meeting**

The meeting was closed at 18:45.