

**Minutes of the Strategy, Economy & Tourism Committee Meeting of the Town  
Council held on  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 6.00pm**

**Present**

**St Michael's Ward**

Cllr Wakefield  
Cllr Doran  
Cllr R Sexton  
Cllr R Fowles

**St Paul's Ward**

Cllr Pearsall  
Cllr Craddock

**In attendance**

Stephen Hill, Town Clerk

- 25/85/SC Apologies for absence**  
Cllrs Sheen gave apologies.
- 25/86/SC Declarations of Interests**  
None
- 25/87/SC Dispensations**  
None
- 25/88/SC Public Question Time for items on the agenda**  
None
- 25/89/SC Strategy Committee held on 10 December 2025**  
**Committee RESOLVED to approve for accuracy the minutes of the Strategy, Economy & Tourism Committee Meeting held on 10 December 2025 as published and circulated with the agenda.**  
Proposed by Cllr Pearsall and seconded by Cllr R Sexton  
For 4, Against 0, Abstentions 2.
- 25/90/SC Annual Awards**  
**Following Annual Awards given by the Council 2025, Committee RESOLVED to approve Press Release, [Nominations Form](#) and [Poster for Council Awards to be presented at Annual Town Meeting 2026.](#)**  
Proposed by Cllr R Sexton and seconded by Cllr Pearsall  
For 6, Against 0, Abstentions 0.

**25/91/SC Appointment of Lead Councillors**

Committee **CONSIDERED** the appointment of three Lead Councillors for each of the Priority Projects, including that 7 Priority Projects is too many; 1 Councillor to act as Lead (with 2 others in support); clash with resources needed for LGR; next stage to prepare PIPs; Councillors who presented Projects to “away day” to be invited to next SET meeting.

**25/92/SC Youth Council**

Committee **NOTED** progress, that Councillor Wakefield has met with HCC Deputy Head; HCC has established a School Council; Ted Wragg Trust has joined HBN; to arrange a discussion with interested parties (and their responsible adults); and an idea to invite all Honiton’s major companies to an employment fair (with closely with HCC and HBN) for young people to attend.

**25/93/SC To close the meeting**

The meeting was closed at 20:55.