HONITON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the Town Council on Monday 12th October 2026 at 7.00pm

Present

St Michael's Ward
Cllr S Atherton
Cllr C Doran
Cllr C Maunder
Cllr R Wallis

St Paul's Ward
Cllr S Craddock
Cllr D Hayler
Cllr S Keene
Cllr J Taylor

In attendance
Heloise Marlow, Acting Town Clerk
Cllr R Jefferies (DCC)
Cllr R Collins (EDDC)
1 Member of the Public

26/143 Apologies for absence
Cllr M Baldock (personal)
Cllr R Coombs (personal)
Cllr R Fowles (personal)
Cllr C Kolek (personal)
Cllr G Martin (personal)
Cllr R Sexton (personal)
Cllr S Sexton (personal)
Cllr J Wilson (personal)

26/144 Declarations of Interests
None

26/145 Dispensations
None

26/146 Public Question Time for items on the agenda
None received.

26/147 Reports from District and County Councillors
Cllr R Jefferies (DCC) provided the attached report:
Cllr Collins provided the following report:

- he had attended 14 EDDC meetings.
- He queried EDDC's Leisure Strategy Delivery Forum grant to the Honiton Youth Football Club as its planning application had been refused.
- He had raised the Hayne Lane site at the Asset Management Forum as a possible site for Honiton Youth Football Club pitches.
- New planning rules would now limit which planning applications could go to Planning Committee.

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- He had received many complaints regarding the two hourly train service.

Cllr Wallis provided the following report

- He had been dealing with issues raised by residents regarding street lighting and overgrown hedges/verges
- EDDC had held an LGR meeting to discuss the current pause.
- EDDC's Leisure Strategy Delivery Forum had discussed issues with the men's changing rooms at Honiton Sports Centre and he would be meeting with LED and EDDC's Buildings and Facilities Management Team to review the issue.
- He had raised the restricted train service with Richard Foord (MP) and Cllr R Jefferies (DCC)

Cllr Keene confirmed that the restricted train services were affecting the attendance at Exeter College of Honiton students.

26/148 Reports from Honiton Town Council Members with Special Responsibilities and/or on Outside Bodies

Cllr S Craddock had attended

- the TRIP Board meeting: 285 car journeys had been completed, the majority of which was in relation to hospital appointments and assisting 570 people with their shopping.
- All Hallows Charity meeting
- Honiton United Charities meeting: A request had been received for 1 more Councillor to join.

26/149 Reports and Recommendations from Working Groups and Meetings.

The Market Working Group report and the Beehive Low Carbon Working Group report were **NOTED**.

26/150 Correspondence 10th September – 7th October 2026

Members **NOTED** the correspondence.

26/151 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 14th September 2026

Members RESOLVED to approve the minutes of Full Council 14th September 2026

Proposed by Cllr Keene and seconded by Cllr Maunder

For 5; Against 0; Abstentions 3.

Note: Cllr Taylor requested that it be noted that he did not merely suggest that DCC's ultimate aim was to introduce parking meters. He had evidence that DCC had tried to do this in the past and had been unable to proceed due to Honiton's Market Charter.

26/152 Minutes of Previous Meetings
Members **NOTED** the item.

26/153 Membership of Committees and Working Groups
No changes were proposed.

26/154 Working Group Terms of Reference
Cllr Wallis queried the Working Group being able to appoint a Project Manager and suggested that the Working Group could appoint a non-funded Project Manager but that Full Council would need to agree to fund a Project Manager.
Members RESOLVED to approve the Terms of Reference for the Beehive Working Group subject to the amendment above.
Proposed by Cllr Keene and seconded by Cllr Craddock
For 7; Against 1 (Cllr J Taylor); Abstentions 0

26/155 Devon County Council (Various Streets, Devon) (Disabled Parking & Control of Waiting) (No.45) Amendment Order
a) **Members NOTED the consultation.**
b) **Members RESOLVED unanimously to delegate to the Acting Town Clerk to provide comments to DCC on the consultation for the proposed Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 for Revocation of Disabled Badge Holders Only At Any Time on a specified length of Rosewell Close in consultation with the Chairman of the Town Management and Green and Open Spaces Committee.**
Proposed by Cllr Doran and seconded by Cllr Keene

26/156 Accounts
Members RESOLVED to approve the schedule of payments for September 2026
Proposed by Cllr Craddock and seconded by Cllr Atherton
For 7; Against 1 (Cllr J Taylor); Abstentions 0

26/157 Exempt Business
Members RESOLVED unanimously to take the following item into exempt business.
Proposed by Cllr Keene and seconded by Cllr Maunder

26/158 Charter Day 2027
Members RESOLVED unanimously to appoint Concierge UK to plan, manage and operate Charter Day
Proposed by Cllr Craddock and seconded by Cllr Keene

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26/159 Honiton Community Complex (HCC)

Members RESOLVED unanimously agreement to engagement terms of Mulberry Local Authority Services Ltd

Proposed by Cllr Craddock and seconded by Cllr Atherton

26/160 To close the meeting

The meeting closed at 20.20pm.

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Signed Chair **9th November 2026**