

DARTMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DARTMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER OF DARTMOUTH GUILDHALL ON MONDAY 1st JULY 2019

PRESENT: Cllr: G Webb (Mayor); S Hibbert (Deputy Mayor)
Cllrs: N Bodinnar; C Campos; D Case; T de Galleani; A Edsall; G Evans; R Lyon; R Rendle; D Shepherd; M Webber; D Wells; L Williams; G Yardy

IN ATTENDANCE: The Reverend Prebendary: W Hazelwood; Town Sergeant: R Lambden; Administrator: R Searle; Receptionist: Katie Brown; District Cllr: R Rowe; J Hawkins; H Bastone; Dartmouth Chronicle: Emily Baker; Dartmouth Visitor Centre: K Perrow; Dartmouth Museum: Brian Parker & 22 members of the public.

PART I - Open to the Public

39. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor announced the standard emergency evacuation procedures. He requested that mobile phones and other devices be set on silent or turned off. Anyone intending to record any part of the meeting was asked to declare this.

Prayers were read out by Father Will Hazlewood

40. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr M Baillie
New Police Sergeant David Cross

41. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive Councillors' Declarations of Interests, made under the Council's Code of Conduct adopted 2nd July 2012.
There were none.

42. YOUTH GENESIS PRESENTATION

Youth Genesis are currently working with 80-90 young people in Dartmouth every week. They have 140 disadvantaged young people on their books. There are two provisions in Dartmouth, one at Townstal called The Point and one in the town centre, called Decks in Ivy Lane. 40 young people attend The Point every Friday night, which includes some young people with very challenging behaviour. Decks usually see 40-50 young people, but unfortunately, they are not in Ivy Lane at the moment due to the refurbishment. They are currently in Community Corner, which is a good space but is not suited to the youth. This has meant that numbers attending Decks has dropped to 10, which shows that the young people need the extra space.

The targeted work at Decks has become few and far between as Youth Genesis do not have the resources or the space to do this in Community Corner. However, Youth Genesis are still supporting young people with complex issues.

The most disadvantaged young people that Youth Genesis work with are referred to as living with complex issues that they call the Toxic Three;

- Living with domestic violence
- Substance issues
- Mental health issues

This is why the young people need Youth Genesis to support them. They are working with challenging behaviour, but with the resource they could have in Dartmouth they could make a difference.

Youth Genesis stated that it is important to have a safe space for young people in the town, who can't access other activities that might cost, as they can't afford to.

Appendix A

Youth Genesis then showed a video

They thanked everyone for watching and then handed over to Jonathan Oliverio.

Jonathan Oliverio spoke about a proposal for Youth Genesis to work with Dartmouth Town Council to make Youth Services sustainable using precept funding to pay half of the costs. This is done by Cranbrook Council in Exeter and Brixham Town Council. This would give Youth Genesis the ability to run their sessions without having to constantly apply for grants. This also gives Youth Genesis accountability to Dartmouth Town Council, forging a working relationship with agreements and targets and the Council are investing in young people. Brixham Town Council have raised the precept of a Band D property in order to fund the Youth Services.

Cllr Williams asked why the precept was chosen on Band D properties? Jonathan Oliverio answered that in Brixham Band D properties are perceived to have more wealth. Cllr Williams then asked why not Band E, F or G and Jonathan Oliverio stated that there aren't properties of that level in Brixham.

Cllr Case asked how many groups Youth Genesis run or are present in. Jonathan Oliverio said there were three in Torbay, one in Cranbrook, one in Great Torrington, one in Chillington, one in Totnes and two in Dartmouth.

Cllr Case asked if Youth Genesis split the office costs across the towns. Jonathan Oliverio answered that in the proposal the costs are for Dartmouth and if funding comes from a certain place it will stay in that place, unless the funder states that the money can be shared elsewhere.

Cllr Case asked what the £2,200 a year is spent on. Jonathan Oliverio stated it was spent on printing, administration or IT.

Cllr Case pointed out that Youth Genesis had listed costings for IT and stationery elsewhere on the figures the Cllrs had received. Jonathan Oliverio looked at a copy of

the costings and noted that the money would be spent on rent/hire of office space in Paignton, cost of the administrator and other costs associated with this.

Cllr Case asked if the groups were free of charge for the young people going to them. Jonathan Oliverio stated that the groups were free of charge to make it accessible to all young people.

Cllr Williams asked if it would be helpful for Youth Genesis to have an office in Dartmouth. Jonathan Oliverio said that they had previously considered Ivy Lane.

The Mayor asked what citizenship opportunities Youth Genesis would be teaching. Youth Genesis stated DofE Award, Accredited Volunteering Awards, taking part in the community through jumble sales and fetes, but they do not have the funding to do this at the moment. Encouraging youth to volunteer and take part in other groups such as the TQ6 Partnership. The Mayor suggested Dart Trekkers and Youth Genesis and said that they would help young people to access other groups if they were interested in it.

A member of the public asked if Youth Genesis were looking for funding and suggested a Dartmouth Lottery that would benefit five to six voluntary groups a year that would receive a percentage of money from the lottery. This would get the whole of Dartmouth involved with fundraising for things that the Town cares about.

The Mayor asked for a member of the public filming the meeting to not turn the camera around to film people's faces.

Cllr A Edsall requested that we continue to discuss this at the next Corporate Property meeting and the Mayor suggested that it is placed on General Purposes.

A member of the public stated that the man with the Lottery idea could talk to him about fundraising.

43. QUESTIONS TO THE MAYOR BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The Mayor asked if there were any questions to the Mayor from members of the public and added that questions should be no more than two minutes long

A member of the public asked why the Council is trying to rescind the smoking ban in the Market Square when most of the Council were elected on a platform of Health and Wellbeing?

Cllr Williams answered that this matter would be discussed at the next Corporate Property meeting and invited the member of the public to attend the meeting as it is on the agenda.

The same member of the public asked that in the light of the public opinion on the last Council was such that on May 31st there was a letter to The Chronicle that stated 'The last Council's habit of prearranged Council decisions, positions and people' and

later on in the letter ‘for a Town to doubt some of its old Councillors, question their motives or even suspect personal gain is damning.’ Does the Mayor think that awarding a Town Councillor over £2,800 after less than a month after being elected is a wise decision?

The Mayor stated that this was concerning the Grant given to Dartmouth Community Chest. He stated that the Grant form was filled out as requested and that everything was in order. The Mayor added that the decision was made by the Finance Committee and passed the question to the Chair of the Finance Committee Cllr Evans.

Cllr Evans stated that the Finance Committee made the decision based on the paperwork that had been submitted before the new Council were in office. A number of Grants were discussed and all of them were perused more vigorously than they had been in previous years, through accounts, statements and various other pieces of information that was required. Once the application was put forward to the Finance Committee, it was put forward to Full Council where there were no objections. The Finance Committee consisted of both new and old Council members and the Council saw nothing wrong with the application and awarded the Grant, along with others.

The same member of the public stated that he had been onto the Dartmouth Town Council website and had noted that six Councillors information was missing. Being as these Councillors were elected on the promise of a more open and transparent Council, do these Councils have something to hide?

The Mayor stated that this was duly noted and that it would be looked into.

Cllr A Edsall wanted it to be noted that the member of the public asking these questions was an ex-councillor and believed that these were seriously ungenerous questions.

44. TO RECEIVE THE REPORTS FROM

- No report from Devon and Cornwall Police
- County Councillor – Jonathan Hawkins
 - Invited all Dartmouth Councillors to Community Corner to volunteer at Decks on a Thursday evening, Cllr Hawkins and Cllr Bastone thanked Youth Genesis for all they have done in the Town for youth services and added that all three County Councillors present had donated money from their Locality Funds.
 - Youth Genesis will be holding a Youth Forum in the Guildhall at 6pm 17th July and if anyone would like more information to contact Dartmouth Town Council. The forum is to give the youth of the town a voice and for them to tell us what they would like the community to provide for them.
 - Will be meeting with a fund group in August who may support the refurbishment of Ivy Lane for Youth Genesis.

- Cllr Hawkins and Cllr Bastone will be having a meeting with Fusion (company who runs the Leisure Centre in Dartmouth, the South Hams and West Devon) as they have stopped Youth Nights in Dartmouth, as they could not provide staff to allow the youth to take over the whole centre, like in Totnes. Cllr Hawkins will see if they can reinstate them.
- Health and Wellbeing Centre – congratulated Cllr Yardy on the meeting last week. Cllr Hawkins believes that the most important issue is getting 6-8 intermediate beds in the community. Improvement is needed for the health provisions in town and the doctor's surgery as they are not providing the community of Dartmouth with the services they need.
- Cllr Hawkins is now a governor for the NHS Trust and has a meeting on the 2nd of July with the Chairman of the Trust and a board meeting on the 3rd of July.
- Supposed covenant on the MOD Park & Ride Car Park meaning the space cannot be used as a Health and Wellbeing Centre. This applies to a small section of the Park & Ride and not the whole overflow carpark. That covenant does not exist but it does mean that the MOD can have an uplift with the value of the land and it is believed to be in the region of £30,000 which may have to be paid to the MOD to use the land when it is built.
- Fishoek – County Councillors have been working on the Planning Application and had been talking to Richard Jackson from Devon County Council Highways to ensure that everything is done to ensure that all the loads and deliveries come in via water when the planning application comes through.
- Willing to offer £1000 to set up a new second defibrillator in Townstal, wants Dartmouth Town Council or a community group such as Dartmouth Caring to run with this.
Cllr Williams asked how the current defibrillator at the Guildhall is accessed. Cllr de Galleani answered that you would need to ring 999 and they would give you the code to open it.
- Bayard's Cove – There has been a new recycled material bench there for nine days and nobody has noticed and is assuming people are happy. This type of bench could replace all of the benches on Bayard's Cove for Mayflower 400.
- District Councillor/s
Cllr Rosemary Rowe submitted a written report that was circulated to all Cllrs and also gave a verbal report Appendix B:
 - South Hams District Council already run a Lottery called Seamoore which could be used to generate money for youth projects.
 - Stated the importance of Youth Genesis and the work they do in communities and that Cllr H Bastone, Cllr J Hawkins and herself would find some money from their Locality funds.
 - All District Councillors have been on training aimed at new councillors as 15 of the 31 are new councillors.

- Working during the coming months on the Capital Strategy, with the ability to borrow £60 million due to cuts from central government. The money is to keep up frontline services, such as waste services and keeping the streets tidy.
- Residents can report problems online, such as problems with the bottle banks in town.
- Climate change emergency debate at the next Council Meeting on the 25th July.
- Annual report, which has now been approved and is available on the website, which includes yearly statistics. South Hams District Council managed to come in under budget for the past year.
Tour of the District last week to help new members understand the various planning applications that are going through and the problems these may have in the future.
Cllr Yardy asked about Northampton council getting into debt. Can the District give any figures on the amount of debt held at the District and County Council level?
Cllr Rowe passed the question to Cllr Bastone – South Hams District Council are taking on the debt to then be able to make investment in the community. They had gone through a rigorous exercise to make sure the District could cope with the debt, report said that the District could borrow up to £75 million but had gone lower so they did not overreach themselves. The Council would be able to invest in different projects to get a return. South Hams District Council have not drawn any of the money down at the moment. The Health and Wellbeing Centre in Dartmouth is one of those being considered, along with a hotel in Kingsbridge, a supermarket in Ivybridge and a couple of investments in Salcombe. Must benefit the community and provide employment but give a return.

Cllr Hilary Bastone gave a verbal report:

- Seamoor Lottery – Dartmouth Visitor Centre, Dartmouth Caring and the Orchard have signed up. A portion of money goes to the organisation you choose. This is managed by a National Company
- Youth Genesis – This is a good organisation. Youth Genesis figures were not quite right. Ivybridge have a youth centre that is not being used as the Council had taken away youth services.
- Dartmouth Outdoor Pool is open but requires lifeguards. South Hams had tried to persuade Fusion Leisure Centre to take over the management of the pool last year and will be following this up again.
- Defibrillator – would like one outside the rowing club. People can get training from Malcolm Matthews.
- D-Day commemorations – was excellent this year and had a very good turnout. Would like to thank the Council for taking over the organisation of the celebrations. Thank you to Dartmouth Town Council's Administrator for putting in so much effort.

- Cllr Williams asked for figures about holiday homes at the last meeting, on Council Tax Records there are 3413 properties currently banded for council tax purposes. 508 are indicated as furnished but not main residence which would suggest they are holiday homes. On business rates there are 802 properties assessed for non-domestic rates, 356 of those have a description of apartment house and 286 of the 356, claim Small Business Relief and pay nothing for council tax, but these properties need to be empty for 140 days.
- Executive meeting 18th July – Health and Wellbeing Centre, first recommendation being to approve the plan for the centre. The second, to approve the borrowing identified under the business case under the delegation of the commercial property strategy. Recommendation three is to delegate to the Head of Assets practice the authority to enter into leases and associated legal agreements associated with the project with a non-return. Final recommendation recognises the minimal impact that the proposal may have on the total parking capacity in Dartmouth and have instructed officers to bring forward proposals to mitigate the loss of parking spaces.
- Cllr de Galleani asked Cllr Hawkins – if it could it be considered to have electric charging points for cars in the town, at the Park & Ride, Mayors Avenue Car Park and on the Embankment.
Cllr Hawkins stated that South Hams District Council are looking into this. Cllr Bastone added that they are looking at two spaces in Mayors Avenue Car Park.
- Cllr de Galleani asked if there could be some parking outside of the vets on Roseville Street as people are having problems with parking to get in for appointments and caused huge problems for local people with little monetary return.
Cllr Bastone suggested turning the Market Car Park into Pay and Display as this would provide parking near the vets.
Cllr Williams suggested two spaces on the pavement for people to park during their appointment.
Cllr Hawkins will ask Devon County Council to investigate this.
Cllr Williams then talked about over-zealous parking wardens in the town.
Cllr Hawkins stated that in 2020 South Hams District Council will be looking at Traffic Regulation Orders and possibly putting back in place some of the winter parking restrictions (back to two hours all year).
Cllr Evans asked about moving a car in Lower Street that has had 19 parking tickets. Cllr Hawkins asked him to send a photograph so he could flag the issue.
Cllr Edsall would like the holiday home information sent to all Cllrs.
Cllr Bastone said he would circulate Holiday Home Statistics to all Councillors.

45. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 3rd JUNE 2019

Members reviewed the minutes of the previous Town Council meeting
Page 6 - Cllr G Yardy asked for Cllr M Webber to be added to the Health and Wellbeing Working Group as she had been missed off.

Page 6 – Cllr A Edsall requested to be added to the Dartmouth and District Area Transport Group.

Proposed: Cllr Case

Seconded: Cllr Evans

Resolved: That the Report and Recommendations of the meeting of the Town Council held on 3rd June 2019 (once amended), be confirmed and signed as a true record.

All Cllrs attending the meeting were in favour.

46. TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE AS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN MAYOR

The Mayor read out correspondence from Stoke Fleming Parish Council form a closer working relationship.

Cllr R Rendle asked that a delegation of two Councillors attend to forge a relationship with Stoke Fleming. The Mayor asked for any councillors who would like to attend to email him.

Proposed: Cllr Rendle

Seconded: Cllr de Galleani

Resolved: To set up a meeting with Stoke Fleming Parish Council to forge a good relationship moving forward.

47. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

- **Parks & Open Spaces meeting on Thursday 13th June 2019**

Cllr Rendle who is a member of the Old Dartmothians spoke about page 3 item 8 from the minutes from the June meeting.

Cllr Rendle wanted to ensure that once the arch had been renovated that the colours on the arch could remain the same as they are and not the new corporate colours of black and gold.

The Mayor stated that this had already been discussed and approved.

It was noted that the Tree Policy was approved at this meeting.

Proposed: Cllr Wells

Seconded: Cllr Edsall

Resolved: That the Report and Recommendations of the above meeting be approved.

All Cllrs attending the meeting were in favour.

- **Personnel Committee meeting on Thursday 20th June 2019**

Cllr Williams asked why a question she raised wasn't minuted about the job description that is being looked at. Cllr Williams would like input in the job description and the interview process.

Proposed: Cllr Case

Seconded: Cllr Webber

Resolved: That the Report and Recommendations of the above meeting be approved.

- **Planning Committee meeting on Wednesday 26th June 2019**

Cllr G Evans asked that these minutes be noted due to its delegated powers to give recommendations to SHDC

Proposed: Cllr Evans

Seconded: Cllr Rendle

Resolved: That the Report and Recommendations of the above meeting be noted.

48. TO DISCUSS AND APPROVE DTC HOSTING THE WEARA LUNCH DURING REGATTA (West of England Amateur Rowing Association)

Cllr de Galleani said that the WEARA lunch had been held for the last four years and that the Town Council should consider continuing with it as it is well received by the West of England Amateur Rowing Association.

The Mayor was asked for approval for the Clerk and Administrator to collect quotes and decide who would provide the catering for the event, due to time constraints.

Cllr Campos asked how much this would cost and the Administrator said that there had been £2000 put in the budget to hold this event.

Cllr Rendle said that the lunch had previously been used to thank the community for the year but had grown from a cream tea to the lunch.

Cllr Case asked if we were voting for the event to happen and the Mayor confirmed that this was a decision for the Council to make.

Cllr Edsall suggested we vote for this year's event and if the Council felt differently in future years, then it should be brought back to a committee.

Proposed: Cllr Wells

Seconded: Cllr Evans

Resolved: That the WEARA Lunch should take place and that the Clerk and Administrator should make the decision in view of time constraints.

49. TO APPROVE THE CREATION OF A COMMUNITY LED NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN GROUP

Cllr Evans would be taking the lead in starting up the Neighbourhood Plan again and would be looking at a couple of years to do this. This would be generated by the neighbourhood with the support of the Town Council. Funding was available, but some had already been used by the previous Neighbourhood Plan group for the collection of data. This data had a timescale and needed to be used promptly while it was still relevant. Cllr Evans had identified local people who wanted to help and recommended that the Council set up a small working group which would include two or three councillors to liaise and report back to the Town Council.

Cllr Evans suggested himself to be one of the councillors to help set up the committee and be part of it.

Cllr Case asked for the Neighbourhood Plan to be on the agenda to discuss what had been done previously. Cllr Case had also asked Kingswear Neighbourhood Plan Working Group to come in October for a meeting as they had progressed well as had Brixham, which could be another contact.

Cllr Lyon proposed that Cllr Evans go ahead and organises the working group.

Cllr Edsall asked for a vote on this to get it started

The Mayor made it clear that Cllr Evans could start organising the group and that there did not need to be a vote.

Cllr Rendle asked for the Council to facilitate the Neighbourhood Plan to happen as it was important for the town. He made it clear that the council would facilitate the plan but not take responsibility for it.

50. COMPLAINTS POLICY

Cllr Case wanted the Council to adopt the policy in principle.

Point 1.5 would be for further discussion with The Clerk and The Mayor. If altered, this would have a knock-on effect with the rest of the policy.

Cllr Campos questioned point 2.4 as if a complaint was made, then the person who had been complained about, should be kept in the loop about what is happening.

Cllr Case answered that if this was for an informal complaint then she would tweak it slightly.

Cllr Edsall asked if we could approve the policy if it needed tweaking

Cllr Case said that it was a proposal to amend and that she would remove point 2.4.

Proposed: Cllr Case

Seconded: Cllr Campos

Cllr Rendle and Cllr Williams abstained from voting.

Resolved: To adopt this complaints policy following on from Cllr Case removing point 2.4 and amending point 1.5.

51. TO DISCUSS AND APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON PUBLIC BODIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

- Committee Member for Regatta –
 - Cllr D Wells
 - Cllr C Campos
- Wilton Memorial Trust
 - Cllr C Campos
- Neighbourhood Plan Community Led Group
 - Cllr G Evans

52. TO DISCUSS THE STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION TO THE REMOVAL OF THE PARK AND RIDE OVERFLOW CARPARK AND AGREE A WAY FORWARD

Cllr Edsall spoke about his statement at the last Full Council meeting.

He proposed an amendment to the statement that would replace the middle sentence to 'we therefore welcome District Councillor Hillary Bastone's assurances two weeks ago in The Dartmouth Chronicle that no Park and Ride spaces will be lost and the late inclusion of this issue by South Hams District Council in the July 18th meeting, but would insist that both parties bring forward concrete plans to guarantee the protection of this vital element of local infrastructure comprising over 130 car parking spaces.' Cllr Edsall proposed that council release the amended statement to the District and County Councillors along with the officers that were present at the meeting.

Proposed: Cllr Edsall

Seconded: Cllr Yardy

Cllr Rendle, Cllr Lyon and Cllr de Galleani abstained from voting.

Resolved: To circulate the amended statement.

Appendix C

53. TO CONSIDER IF DTC WOULD DECLARE A CLIMATE CHANGE ENVIRONMENTAL EMERGENCY

Cllr de Galleani did not think that we were in an emergency but felt that the town should be respected by those who live and visit it. The Council needed to be seen doing all that it could to keep it this way.

Cllr Webber stated that many councils have voted for this. Policies are also to do with CO2 emissions and other environmental factors that also concern the river.

Cllr Yardy added that this would make good business sense as it would encourage less waste, energy and logistics and it would be a good idea for the council to incorporate this in other policies.

Cllr Edsall agreed that the Council should be doing everything it could to mitigate the town's environmental damage but that he would struggle to vote on it at this time. If this was adopted, the Council may be bound by something, which may significantly affect the town's people and businesses. He recommended that Cllr de Galleani investigate this more deeply and bring back something to vote on at a later date.

Cllr Williams mentioned a new bylaw that means vehicles cannot idle when stopped and should the Council make this clearer in Dartmouth. She also noted that the passenger ferries are idling from 6am and should be turned off.

Cllr de Galleani added that there were signs telling people to turn their engines off by the Higher and Lower ferry. She had asked County to add two further signs on the South Embankment similar to the ones currently by the coach bay, two by the playground and two on the North Embankment.

Cllr Wells added that usually when looking at the impact on the environment a town had a working group that could take years of planning to put things in place to protect the town. This subject needed meetings and groups to create one policy for the town rather than many here and there.

Cllr Webber added that County and District had adopted an Environmental Emergency Plan and that we should be working alongside them to use the measures that they have implemented.

54. HEALTH AND WELLBEING WORKING GROUP UPDATE

Cllr Yardy gave feedback from the public meeting held on 27th July.

55. TO DISCUSS THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR A COMMUNICATIONS WORKING GROUP AND AGREE A WAY FORWARD,

- Appoint Council members
- Appoint Chairman

Cllr Campos stated that the members included the Clerk, Administrator or the Receptionist. She then read through the Terms of Reference. She also stated that she would like two meetings a month.

Cllr de Galleani had some concerns about the working group.

Proposed: Cllr Case

Seconded: Cllr Shepard

One against and two abstention

Resolved: To set up a Communications Working Group

Proposed members were then chosen;

- Cllr C Campos
- Cllr G Evens
- Cllr D Case
- Cllr D Shepard
- Receptionist/Administrator/Clerk

Cllr Campos was chosen as the Chairman of the Communications Working Group.

Proposed: Cllr Case

Seconded: Cllr Edsall

Resolved: The above councillors would make up the Communications Working Group and Cllr Campos would be the Chairman.

56. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS ASKED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER NO 29

Cllr Case asked if it would be possible to have a workshop including all 16 councillors to clarify the ideas that the council will be working on and then engage the public, so there are clearer ideas for what the council wants to achieve.

57. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Environmental Emergency to be moved to the General Purposes Committee
Reports from outside bodies to be added to the Full Council Agenda
Cllr Williams asked for a report from the Police to be submitted
Recommendation of Neighbourhood Plan committee and way forward
Parking at Park and Ride being discussed further
Noss Development
Dartmouth Together

PART 2 – Confidential

No items

Meeting closed at 21:08

APPENDIX B

Report for June 2019 South Hams District Council.

Following on from the Local elections held at the beginning of May those of us who were returned to the council had to regroup ourselves very quickly and we now have a new Look Council Bearing in mind that 15 members of the 31 are new.

The new leader is Cllr. Judy Pearce.

The deputy Leader is Cllr. Hilary Bastone and the members of the council's exec. Are Cllrs. Jonathan Hawkins, Nicky Hopwood, David May and Keith Baldry.

The Chairman of the D.M.C. is Cllr. Julian Brazil.

The Chairman of the council is Cllr. Rose Rowe.

We have held several workshops and training days which were aimed at new members but good to be kept up to speed.

We will be working on our Capital Strategy which was approved in March, with the ability to borrow up to £60mill. If required to work on our approved programme .this includes a Hotel in Kingsbridge, 10 Acres of land at Sherford new town for business use, The Health and Wellbeing Hub at Townstal.

A Climate change Emergency debate has also been brought before the council and will be on the agenda for the next council Meeting on 25TH July.

The Annual report which is now approved and available on the web site.

Some interesting statistics include,

2.7 mill waste collections.

2,100 play park inspections,

2,433 Planning Applications processed.

486 food premises inspected.

55,000 online transactions

520 Households were assisted to prevent them becoming homeless.

18,000 tonnes of household recycling collected.

397,104 passengers and cars used the Dartmouth Lower Ferry.

A tour of the district took place on Thursday of last week to help new members understand where various things are which we talk about ,be it problems or work for The future.

APPENDIX C

Statement adopted by Dartmouth Full Council Meeting on Monday 1st July 2019

Whilst DTC welcome the block booking of 2 intermediate care beds and the progress on plans for a new Health Care Solution from the executive of SHDC and NHS, under the current plans this council strongly believes that there will be a significant detrimental impact on the residents and businesses of Dartmouth due to the closure of the Park & Ride Overflow Car Park, impacting on local livelihoods and jobs. We therefore welcome District Councillor Hillary Bastone's assurances in the Dartmouth Chronicle 2 weeks ago that "no P&R spaces will be lost" and the late inclusion of this issue by SHDC in their July 18th meeting, but would insist that both parties bring forward concrete plans to guarantee the protection of this vital element of local infrastructure comprising over 130 car parking spaces.

In addition the NHS needs to recognise the challenge of accessing NHS services that the Dartmouth area poses and evaluate and communicate to residents the range of increased the services, ease of access and benefits planned to be provided though the centre replacing those lost through closure of the community hospital.

This statement was agreed to be sent to District Councillors and SHDC Officers as well as supplied to the Dartmouth Chronicle.