

SALTASH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Devolution Sub Committee held at the Isambard House on Thursday 28th August 2025 at 6.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors: R Bickford, R Bullock (Chairman), S Martin, J Peggs (Vice-Chairman), B Samuels and P Samuels.

ALSO PRESENT: 1 Member of the Public, Dawn Joyce (Assistant to the Town Clerk / Office Manager), Lindsay Mansfield (Mayor's Secretary / Receptionist).

APOLOGIES: S Gillies and L Mortimore.

19/25/26 TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN.

Councillor Bullock in the Chair to open the meeting and deliver agenda item 1.

It was proposed by Councillor B Samuels, seconded by Councillor Peggs, to nominate Councillor Bullock.

No further nominations were received.

Following a vote it was **RESOLVED** to elect Councillor Bullock as Chairman.

Councillor Bullock in the Chair.

20/25/26 TO ELECT A VICE CHAIRMAN.

It was proposed by Councillor Peggs, seconded by Councillor Martin, to nominate Councillor Peggs.

No further nominations were received.

Following a vote it was **RESOLVED** to elect Councillor Peggs as Vice Chairman.

21/25/26 HEALTH AND SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Chairman informed those present of the actions required in the event of a fire or emergency.

22/25/26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

- a. To receive any declarations from Members of any registerable (5A of the Code of Conduct) and/or non-registerable (5B) interests in matters to be considered at this meeting.

None.

- b. The Town Clerk to receive written requests for dispensations prior to the start of the meeting for consideration.

None received.

23/25/26 PUBLIC QUESTIONS - A 15-MINUTE PERIOD WHEN MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ASK QUESTIONS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL.

None received.

24/25/26 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DEVOLUTION SUB COMMITTEE HELD ON 30 JANUARY 2025 AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.

Please see a copy of the minutes on the STC website or request to see a copy at the Guildhall.

It was proposed by Councillor Bullock, seconded by Councillor Peggs and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Devolution Sub Committee held on 30 January 2025 were confirmed as a true and correct record.

25/25/26 TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON DEVOLUTION OF ASSETS AND CONSIDER ANY ACTIONS AND ASSOCIATED EXPENDITURE.

Members reviewed and discussed the report that was circulated within the reports pack.

Members expressed concerns regarding Victoria Gardens, specifically the condition of the tree and the cost associated with refurbishing the railings. There was also brief discussion about other areas that could be considered as part of a potential devolution package, including Longstone Depot, Jubilee Pontoon, and local car parks. Members acknowledged that these matters require thoughtful consideration and informed debate to ensure appropriate decisions and strategic actions are taken.

It was proposed by Councillor Peggs, seconded by Councillor Bickford and **RESOLVED:**

1. To note the report;
2. For further consideration and discussions to be held at the first internal Chairs Forum (open to all Members) reporting back to a future Devolution meeting.

26/25/26 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960:

To resolve that pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 the public and press leave the meeting because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

27/25/26 TO CONSIDER ANY ITEMS REFERRED FROM THE MAIN PART OF THE AGENDA.

None.

28/25/26 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960:

To resolve that the public and press be re-admitted to the meeting.

29/25/26 TO CONFIRM ANY PRESS AND SOCIAL MEDIA RELEASES ASSOCIATED WITH ANY AGREED ACTIONS AND EXPENDITURE OF THE MEETING.

None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be confirmed.

Rising at: 6.13 pm

Signed: _____
Chairman

Dated: _____