

LYME REGIS TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN MANAGEMENT AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2025

Present

Chairman: Cllr M. Ellis

Members: Cllr G. Caddy, Cllr P. Evans, Cllr N. Hampton-Rumbold, Cllr S. Larcombe, Cllr P. May, Cllr G. Stammers

Officers: A. Mullins (assistant town clerk), S. O'Connell (operations manager)

25/39/TMH Public Forum

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

25/40/TMH Apologies

Cllr S. Cockerell – holiday
Cllr C. Aldridge – personal commitment
Cllr D. Holland
Cllr C. Reynolds – illness
Cllr A. Wood – previous commitment

25/41/TMH Minutes

Proposed by Cllr P. Evans and seconded by Cllr S. Larcombe, the minutes of the previous meeting held on 24 September 2025 were **ADOPTED**.

25/42/TMH Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were none.

25/43/TMH Dispensations

There were none.

25/44/TMH Matters arising from the minutes of the Town Management and Highways Committee meeting held on 24 September 2025

Members noted the report.

25/45/TMH Update Report

The Three Cups

A member asked if officers could continue to put pressure on Palmers Brewery for an update on the building. It was agreed any updates would be provided in the members' briefing.

Accreted Land at Monmouth Beach

Members expressed their frustration that this matter remained unresolved and said the amount of staff time trying to resolve it was unacceptable.

Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance Clothing Banks

The operations manager said there were three possible locations at Anning Road Playing Field and the council would make the decision on the final location. If it was later found to be unacceptable after installation, it could be moved.

Terrace Café outside seating and licensing requests

Although a verbal update was to be provided to the meeting, there was nothing to report.

A member was concerned the gazebo was already in place without consultation with the delegated members or this committee.

It was agreed the deputy town clerk would provide an update in the members' briefing.

25/46/TMH Town Management and Highways Committee – Objectives

Members noted the report.

25/47/TMH Summer 2025 Operational Review

The operations manager said the report outlined his current views and potential thoughts for the future, but this could change after being in post for a year.

It was noted officers were reviewing the council's whole cleaning function, with the view to bringing the service in-house, but this was dependent on discussions with Dorset Council regarding the transfer of assets and services.

Members noted the operations manager's strategic reflections and agreed they could be brought forward at a future date.

The operations manager said the next step would be for the management team to discuss this and to bring forward any proposals to members.

25/48/TMH Monitoring of Ground Markers at Monmouth Beach

Members noted the report.

25/49/TMH Complaints, Incidents and Compliments

Members noted the report.

25/50/TMH Park and Ride Outturn 2025

Proposed by Cllr M. Ellis and seconded by Cllr S. Larcombe, members **RESOLVED** that under Section 1, Paragraph 2 of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for this item of business as it included

confidential matters relating to relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person within the meaning of paragraphs 1 and 8 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (see Section 1 and Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985), as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

25/51/TMH Exempt Business

Cllr G. Stammers arrived at 7.27pm.

a) Park and Ride Outturn 2025

Members noted the increased operating loss in 2025 and how the pay to ride model was potentially impacting on this. Members discussed the suggestion to switch to a pay to park model and were supportive, in principle. Members encouraged the deputy town clerk to pursue this.

Members noted that a further report would be brought to members to agree the arrangements for the 2026 park and ride service.

The meeting closed at 7.39pm.