

BIDEFORD TOWN COUNCIL



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Mr Paul Swan
Town Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer

Tuesday 09th April 2025

To: Members of the Tourism Committee

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Tourism Committee** of the above-named Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, on **Tuesday 15th April 2025 at 6.00 pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business.

In accordance with The Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 members of the public are welcome to attend. There is a legal right to film/record/photograph/report public meetings.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Paul Swan'.

Paul Swan
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies and reasons for absence.
2. To receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda and note any requests for dispensation received by the Clerk prior to the meeting. Enc.
3. Public participation session of 15 minutes duration on items on the agenda.
4. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 4 March 2025 as a correct record. Dist. with TC Agenda
5. To update on VE 80 Day and, if appropriate, recommend to Council any actions required.

6. To update on Bideford Fair and, if appropriate, recommend to Council any actions required.
7. To update on for 2025 BGT event and date if proceeding.

MEMBERS OF THE TOURISM COMMITTEE

Councillors: Ms R Clarke (Town Mayor), D Bushby, J Gordon, Mrs J Gubb (Chairman), C Hawkins, K Hind, P Lawrence.

(Please note, all the agenda items read: to give consideration to recommending....., as this Committee does not have delegated authority and all outcomes will be recommendations to Full Council)

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 27 May 2025.



DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

***PLEASE READ THE ADVICE OVERLEAF, THEN COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS
AND HAND TO THE CLERK AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING***

FULL NAME:

[illegible]

Declaration of Interests at meetings

- Where a matter relates to an interest in list A, the member shall not participate in a discussion or vote on the matter. He /she only need declare it if it is not already noted on the register of interests.
- Where the matter is in list A, but is a sensitive interest, the member shall not participate in a discussion or vote; the member shall disclose that there is an interest but not the nature of it.
- Where a matter relates to an interest on list B the member shall not vote and may only speak as a member of the public.
- A member only has to declare an interest in list B if it is not already on the register of interests.
- If the interest is in list B and is sensitive in nature and not already registered then the member shall disclose the interest but not the nature of it.
- Where a matter relates to the financial interest of a friend, relative or close associate (other than in list A) the member shall disclose the interest and not vote. He or she may speak but only as a member of the public.

List A:

1 Employment, office, trade or vocation – carried on for profit by member or spouse or civil partner.

2 Sponsorship – any payments for the previous 12 months, other than by the Council, to assist in Council duties

3 Contracts – any current contracts between the Council and the member or his/ her spouse or civil partner or a company the member is a director or partner of.

4. Land – any beneficial interest in land within the area of the Council by member, spouse or civil partner.

5 Licenses - any license, alone or with others, by spouse, civil partner or member to occupy land in area of Council.

6 Corporate Tenancies - any tenancy where the Council is the landlord and the member, spouse or civil partner has a beneficial interest in the tenant.

7. Securities – a beneficial interest is held in a body that has land or business in the area of the Council by the member, spouse or civil partner that either exceeds £25,000 or the total share capital is in excess of one hundredth of the of the total shares issued.

List B:

Any interests which relate to or is likely to affect:

1. Any body where the member has general control or management and was appointed by the Council.
2. Any body that the member is in a position of control or management and either:
 - (a) exercises functions of a public nature;
 - (b) is for charitable purposes; or
 - (c) has the purpose of influencing public opinion or policy (including political parties and trade unions)
3. Any gifts or hospitality that the member has received by virtue of his or her office in excess of £50.



BIDEFORD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Tourism Committee Meeting

held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall

Tuesday 4th March 2024 at 6.00 pm

PRESENT: East Ward: Councillor Mrs J Gubb (Chairman)
North Ward: Councillor D Bushby
South Ward: Councillor Mrs R Clarke
West Ward: Councillor C Hawkins

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr P Swan, Town Clerk

060 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

Members noted the apologies received and reasons for absence from:

Councillor	P	Lawrence
Councillor	K	Hind

No apologies and reasons for absence were received from:

Councillor	J	Gordon
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061 **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

Councillor Mrs. J. Gubb declared a non-pecuniary interest on item 5 & 6 in the event as a result of a relative providing services.

062 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

There were no members of the public present.

062 **MINUTES**

Proposed by Councillor Ms R Clarke and seconded by Councillor Hawkins that the minutes of the meeting held on 21st January 2025 were approved and signed as a correct record.

(Vote – For: 4, Against: 0, Abstention: 0)

063 **TO UPDATE ON VE DAY**

Members reviewed the progress made. Councillor Mrs J Gubb confirmed the singer was booked and requested that an advert was produced by the Council officers.

064 **TO UPDATE ON OTHER EVENTS 2025 (BIDEFORD FAIR / BGT / CHUDLIEGH PICNIC)**

Bideford Fair – Meeting between Councillor Mrs J Gubb and SWEM held and progress made.

BGT – Councillor Mrs J Gubb advised auditions to be held 18th July Main event 25th July.

Chudleigh Picnic – Councillor Bushby to contact Hockings to book ice creams and Lee Barker for catering arrangements.

065 The business of the meeting having been completed, the Chairman thanked the members for their attendance, and the meeting concluded at 18:34.

Signature of Town Mayor:Date:

Signature of Chairman:Date:

1 April 2025

References:

- A. <https://www.veday80.org.uk/> .
- B. <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/66472dec46f0956b213117b0/t/66ab694129e5d7122b9c8583/1722509643196/VE+Day+80+Anniversary+Guide+v20.pdf>.

VE DAY 80 – 8 MAY 2025

1. 18.30, “The Bells!” Confirmed with Kate Wills – Tower Captain.
2. Food, Finger Buffet including savoury and sweet from Carol Wawrychuk.
3. Pollyfield Community Centre. CMC Productions to have the PA in place*.
4. At 18.30 Youth Pipe Band to play until 18.45.
5. Buffet 18.45 – 19.30.
6. Tamsin Ball* to sing for an hour 19.00 – 20.00 pm (period related material).

Town Band to play before 21.00 with Tamsin, again period material.
7. Town Crier Proclamation at 21.00 (see below).
8. Borough of Bideford Roll of Honour 1939 – 1945, names to be read out (see below).
9. Beacon Lighting at 21.30 Tribute to be read (see below).
10. Immediately after the Tribute Town Band and Tamsin lead / accompany everyone to singing, “I vow to thee my Country.”

Band can continue / CMC Productions can pick up sounds with a finish at 22.00.

VE Day 80 Proclamation – 9.00 pm on 8 May 2025

Oyez, Oyez, Oyez!

Eighty years ago today the United Kingdom and its allies from around the globe celebrated VE Day – the end of the war in Europe.

Today as we come together to commemorate what came to be known as VE Day our thoughts turn to thanksgiving and remembrance of those millions that gave so much to achieve the freedom we all enjoy today.

We remember those we lost, those who were wounded or scarred, those whose lives were forever changed by war.

Nobody was immune from the impact of that terrible conflict. Let us pause to remember their sacrifice.

We reflect too upon the words of our late and glorious Queen, Elizabeth – “Never Give Up, Never Despair”.

And so we offer thanksgiving for the selflessness of those who gave up so much in order that future generations should enjoy the blessings of freedom, democracy and peace.

God Save the King!

P. W. BACKWAY	T.S.J. KELLY	S. R. OKE
W. S. BACKWAY	J.HANCOCK	F.E. OSBURN
R. G. E. BLACKMAN	L.HANCOCK	M.A. PADDON
H. H. BLIGHT	R. HARRIS	A. PERRY
J.A. BOND	K.W. HEYWOOD	K.G. PLOWS
A.H.G. BOWDEN	L. HOCKING	F.J. POTTER
R. BREAKS	R. T. HOOKWAY	A.G. RANDALL
A.A. BUTLER	F.A. HOOPER	C. RODGEMAN
J.E.E. CANN	J. HOOPER	L. ROSS
L.P.E CANNON	L. HOOPER	R. R. H. ROWE
F. K. CAWSEY	G. HOPSON	J. J. SCHILLER
N.G. CLARKE	R. HORRELL	K. G. SHORT
R.E. COLE	J. JAMES	W. R. SHORT
W.D. COLE	P.S. KELLY	E. E. SMALE
A. COLLACOTT	J. R. LAKE	E. SQUIRE
E. CORNISH	R. LANE	L. SQUIRE
E.D.W. DANIEL	W.S.LANE	C.E.C. STAPLEDON
W. DAVEY	P. LOWTHER	H. TAYLOR
F.C.DWYER	H.V. LUCAS	E.F.W. THOMPSON
L.J. EASTMAN	T. A. LUXTON	P. TUCKER
A.T. ELLIOTT	G.R. MANLEY-TUCKER	W.L. TUCKER
D.A. ELSTON	C. MARSHALL	E.W. UPTON
W.E. ELSTON	L.J. MARSHALL	H.J. WALTERS
R.W.J. EVANS	S.MAXWELL	M.R.W. WEBBER
W.A. FRIENDSHIP	C.R.D. MESSENGER	K. WELCH
T.J. GEARY	W.S. MITCHELL	F.R. WESTCOTT
E.H. GIBSON	J. MONTAGUE	W.R.J. WESTLAKE
F.E. GORE-GRAHAM	S. MOORE	R. WILLIAMS
R. GRANT	J.G.H. MOORHEAD	A.L. YOUNGS
J. GROVES	D. O'BRIEN	E.W. YELLAND
F.A. HOOPER	W.E. NYE	

After last name: Last Post, two
minutes silence and Reveille

The VE DAY 80 Tribute - 9.30pm on 8th of May 2025

Let us remember those who gave their lives at home and abroad, whose sacrifice enables us to all enjoy the peace we have today.

Let us remember those who came home, wounded, physically and mentally, and the friends and family who cared for them.

Let us remember those who returned to restore their relationships and rebuild their working and family lives after years of conflict and turmoil.

Let us remember the families that lost husbands, wives, sons, daughters and sweethearts.

Let us remember the servicemen and women of other nationalities and faiths from Commonwealth and allied countries who fought, suffered and died during six years of war.

Let us remember those in reserved occupations and the brave people who kept us safe on the home front - the doctors, nurses who cared for the wounded, the men and women who toiled in the fields, the fisherman who fished the seas, those who worked in the factories and the air-raid wardens, the police officers, firemen, ambulance drivers and the young people of the Scouts and Guides who played such a vital role in the war effort at home too.

God Save The King.

I Vow to thee my Country

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test
That lays upon the altar, the dearest and the best
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know
We may not count her armies, we may not see her king
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering
And soul by soul, and silently her shining bounds increase
And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.



National Anthem

