

EXECUTIVE

4 NOVEMBER 2025

Present:

Councillors Buscombe, Keeling (Leader), Nutley, Palethorpe (Deputy Leader),
G Taylor and Parrott

Members in Attendance:

Councillor Clarence

Apologies:

Councillors Hook, Williams and Nuttall and Williams

Officers in Attendance:

Phil Shears, Managing Director

Neil Blaney, Director of Place

Michelle Luscombe, Head of Strategy and Partnerships

Kati Owen, Senior Planning Officer

Tom Pearce, Project Manager

Harry Ratcliffe, Planning Work Experience Student Placement

Chris Smith, Assistant Estates Surveyor

Charlie Fisher, Democratic Services Manager and Deputy Monitoring Officer

Chris Morgan, Assistant Democratic Services Officer

175. MINUTES

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Keeling and **SECONDED** by Councillor
Palethorpe and

RESOLVED

that the minutes of the previous meeting on Tuesday 7th October be agreed as a
correct record and signed by the Chair.

176. ANNOUNCEMENTS (IF ANY)

None.

177. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)

Councillor Buscombe, in relation to agenda item 7 (Newton Abbot Town Centre
Masterplan), declared an interest as a Member of Newton Abbot Town Council.

178. EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN

The Executive Forward Plan was noted.

179. PUBLIC QUESTIONS (IF ANY)

None received.

180. NEWTON ABBOT TOWN CENTRE MASTERPLAN

The Executive considered the report to approve the development of a Newton Abbot Town Centre Masterplan to be governed by a Newton Abbot Town Centre Project Board.

The report's appendices included an Equality Impact Assessment and a Governance and Stakeholder Engagement Framework.

Councillor Palethorpe introduced the report and thanked the Officers involved in the Masterplan. Councillor Palethorpe highlighted the joint working with Newton Abbot Town Council and the themes within the Masterplan including the built environment, the natural environment and culture.

The Leader welcomed the joint working between the Council and other stakeholders.

The matter having been debated and the options and alternatives and other relevant factors highlighted (e.g. financial, legal and risk implications), it was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Palethorpe and **SECONDED** by Councillor Buscombe and

RESOLVED

That the Executive:

- 1) Agree the commencement of work to progress a Newton Abbot Masterplan.
- 2) Agree the creation of a Newton Abbot Town Centre Masterplan Project Board.
- 3) Agree a budget for the project as set out in sections 3.3 and 3.4.

181. MARINA BOWLING CLUB, SANDY LANE, DAWLISH - LEASE RENEWAL

The Executive considered the report to seek authority to grant Dawlish Marina Bowls Club a leasehold interest for a term of 38 years. The Executive previously resolved to grant the Club a 28-year lease in February 2025. However, Dawlish Marina Bowls Club has since confirmed that extending the lease length to 38 years would maximise grant funding.

Councillor Palethorpe introduced the report and spoke about the Marina Bowls Club. Councillor Palethorpe thanked Officers in the Assets Service for progressing the report and the Trustees of the Bowls Club.

The Leader spoke to this item in relation to maximising grant funding for the Bowls Club.

The matter having been debated and the options and alternatives and other relevant factors highlighted (e.g. financial, legal and risk implications), it was **PROPOSED** by Councillor Palethorpe and **SECONDED** by Councillor Nutley and

RESOLVED

That the Executive:

- 1) Approve the grant of a 38-year lease to Dawlish Marina Bowls Club.
- 2) Delegate authority to the Director of Corporate Services to take such decisions as are necessary and appropriate to conclude the grant of the lease.

182. FOR INFORMATION - INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISIONS

The Individual Executive Member Decisions were noted.

The meeting started at 10.01 am and finished at 10.09 am.

Chairman

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