

Hatherleigh Town Council
Minutes of meeting held Tuesday 9th July 2013 7pm Community Centre

Present: Cllr.Gilbert in the chair, Cllrs.Winser, Jones, Bush, Tyson, Stevens, Calkin, Bater
Dist.Cllr.Hall. The Clerk.

Apologies: Cllr.Alford

The minutes of the meeting held 11th June 2013, having been duly circulated, were signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record with one amendment: Min.61 to read "the entire copper beech tree". Proposed Cllr.Trenaman seconded Cllr. Bater. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

77. Committee room cupboard (min.39 refers) ongoing matter. Further cupboard still awaited.

78. New noticeboard (min.40 refers) written quotation now received from Mr.P.Bush in respect of the noticeboard in the sum of £322.80.

79. Bell sculpture plaque (min.43 refers) Cllr. Alford ordering a new plaque.

80. Jubilee gate plaque (min.44 refers) Cllr. Alford ordering a new plaque.

81. Picnic bench Island Park (min.47 refers) Clerk to contact Evershed Products again as two new legs had not been delivered.

82. Moor View substation pavement (min.52 refers) pothole had been repaired.

83. Bank account details (min.57a refers) Bank has now requested a copy of the minute authorising the change of name from Parish to Town Council. Cllr.Bush to furnish the Bank with a copy.

84. Bike racks (min.58c refers) Clerk had put details of designs/prices in the reading file. Discussion took place as to whether the Millennium Square was a suitable place, and perhaps two specific sites could be chosen. Ongoing agenda item.

85. PCSOs/parking tickets (min.59b refers) Cllr. Hall confirmed that at this present time PCSOs could only issue obstruction tickets.

86. White lining outside the Chapel (min.60 refers) Clerk to report again as work not carried out.

87. DALC planning training (min.71 refers) Clerk confirmed that three places had been booked for 16th October at cost of £126.00

88. Attotment sign (min.73 refers) Cllr. Bater would ascertain the whereabouts of the old sign with a view to obtaining a new sign.

89. Clerks contract (min.75 refers) Clerk happy that this item be put on a future agenda

BELVEDERE MONUMENT

90. Clerk read e.mail from Mr.A.Lane agent for Mr.I.Balsdon. Following a discussion the main points to arise were:-

- a) Cllr.Bush confirmed that no lease agreement was contained within the two bundles of documents held by Nat.West Bank on behalf of the Town Council. Neither had the Balsdon family any evidence of a written lease between the parties
- c) Councillors did not want to loose the monument for the town but also fully understood Mr.Balsdon's concerns. It was therefore resolved that Cllr.Gilbert, Jones, Bush and Bater would meet with Mr. Lane and Mr.Balsdon to take the matter forward to a satisfactory conclusion. Cllr.Gilbert to be the contact number between the parties.

PLANNING MATTERS

91. The following applications were considered:-

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| a) Open Reach | Bridge St. | installation of equipment cabinet
<i>Council supported the application</i> |
| b) Mr.Sharpe | Fisleigh House | cou stable block & erection of extension for garage
<i>Council supported the application</i> |
| c) Hatherleigh PCC | Old Schools | LBC replace concrete roof tiles with reclaimed delabole slate tiles
<i>Council supported the application</i> |
| d) Mr.Mrs.G.Bater
<i>(Cllr.Bater declared an interest, left the room and took no part in the debate. Son is the applicant)</i> | 2 Buddle Lane | 2 storey extension and garage
<i>Council supported the application</i> |

92. Permissions granted None advised

93. Refusals None advised

94 .Any other planning matters:

- a) land adj.Leigh House Higher Street – appeal against refusal decision lodged

FINANCIAL MATTERS

95. Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

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| a) Mrs.Leahy | toilets/bus shelter | £ 198.08 |
| b) Mrs.R.Lock | wages | £ 154.60 |
| c) Mrs.R.Lock | expenses | £ 17.85 |
| d) Hatherleigh Comm.centre | hire | £ 20.00 |
| e) L M Cole Landscapes | ground maintenance | £1263.21 |

Proposed Cllr.Bater seconded Cllr.Calkin that the above accounts be paid. Cllrs.Jones and Bush signed the cheques.

96. Moneys received:-

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| a) HM Rev. & Customs | vat repayment | £1283.99 |
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MAINTENANCE/TRAFFIC ISSUES

97. Cllr.Bush reported that the cold tap in the gents toilet was not working.

98. Cllr.Bater:

- a) would arrange to meet Cllr.Alford at the bus shelter to finalise the position and

installation of the barrier.

b) rubbish/litter being deposited outside the Co-op. Cllr.Jones to include this problem in the council notes for the Pump.

99. Cllr.Gilbert reported on quote received from L & M Cole Landscapes in respect of required work on the jubilee footpath. This was in the sum of £495.00. It was resolved to accept this quote.

100. Clerk to report large pothole needing urgent repair on the A386 just by the Pump shelter.

101.Cllr.Tyson reported that some work was required on Island Park before the next inspection is due namely the signs needs erecting and chippings need replenishing. Work party to be organised.

SKATEPARK PROJECT

102. Cllr.Tyson reported as follows:-

a) Rotary club donation of £500 + £500 worth of draw tickets and 50% profit of planned beer festival

b) hedge removal – confirmation received that this hedge was not the subject of any Hedgerow Regulations. It was resolved that this hedge should not be removed until the end of August.

c) During August councillors would be shown any submitted schemes for the project with a decision to be made which one to go forward with at the September council meeting.

d) Finances – Cllr.Tyson said a deposit would be required by the chosen company. To this end Cllr.Bush would transfer any moneys from the skateboard account to the Town Council account. Cllr.Tyson would have to ascertain if Sport England were going to pay the £50,000 direct to the Town Council for us to pay the Company – this being the only way the Council could reclaim the vat.

ALLOTMENTS

103. As neither Cllr.Alford or a representative of the Allotment Assoc. was present, this matter would be carried over to the next agenda

COMMUNITY AWARDS

104. Date fixed for 19th October. Cllr.Bush to modify the nomination forms before they are placed in the Pump and other outlets in the town.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

105. Cllr.Hall reported as follows:-

a) nothing to report from WDBC

b) 6 cars had recently been clamped in Hatherleigh by DVLA

c) inconsiderate parking outside the Co-op – she had made Cllr.McInnes aware of the problem

d) Oakleigh House – any problems should be reported to the Police.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

106. None

CORRESPONDENCE

107. TAP fund would be running for a further year. Information had been circulated to all councillors via e.mail

108. Carnival committee – rather than asking for a financial contribution from the Town Council (they had sufficient funds to cover a force majeure) they asked if the Council would review the use/cleaning of the toilets on carnival night. Following a discussion it was resolved that we offer £50 as a one off payment to Mr. Leahy to clean the toilets after the carnival. A Councillor expressed interest in carrying out this work.

109. J. Baker Footpath Officer reply received concerning the use of quad bikes on public rights of way.

110. Clerk had informed WDBC in particular the planning department of her holiday dates ie. 14th July to 27th August. All correspondence and planning applications to be sent to Cllr. Alford

111. Councillors requests for agenda items:-

- a) Moor view bench request
- b) Community plan – printed copies for public use
- c) Town Shield emblem

112. Date of next meeting Tuesday 10th September

there being no further business, the chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.05pm.

Signed.....chairman.....dated