# <u>HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL</u> <u>Minutes of meeting held 10th March 2015 7pm in the Community Centre</u>

**Present:** Cllr.Gilbert in the chair, Cllrs.Tyson, Bater, Stevens, Trenaman, Calkin, Bush. The Clerk.

5 members of the public

**Apologies:** Cllrs.Winser, Alford and Jones

#### **Public Session**

a) Mr.J.Herrod-Taylor COU of The Bridge Inn to veterinary surgery/living accommodation

b) Mr.R.Lapthorne WDBC sign for Dixon Court c) Mrs.S.Ingram Heane Farm wind turbine appeal

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The minutes of the meeting held 10th February 2015, having been duly circulated were signed by the Chairman as being a true and correct record with the following amendments -

- a) min.344a to read "was disappointed with the work carried out by DCC Highways"
- b) min.344c to read "Cllr.Tyson" not Bush
- c) min.352c to read "PCSO Deacock"

Proposed Cllr.Bush seconded Cllr.Bater. All agreed.

## MATTEER ARISING FROM MINUTES

356. Bus shelter barrier (min.325 refer) ongoing matter

- 357. War Horse footpath signs (min.327 refer) new date had been set for the Links Committee meeting for April when decision for our application would be known.
- 358. Mosaic location (min.328 refers) Clerk to contact Tree Officer of WDBC as no forms had been received.
- 359. Festival toilets (min.330 refer) clerk still to ascertain cost of hiring porto loos.
- 360. Chapel/white line (min.343 refers) Cllr.Gilbert had spoken to DCC Highways on the matter and the white line outside the chapel was not on their works schedule. Resolved that Clerk contact DCC on the matter.
- 361. "Hatherleigh" sign (min.334 refers) Cllr. Tyson reported that the sign had not been cleaned owing to it being unsafe. Resolved that clerk write to Mrs. S. Vick to see if there would be any funding from the Chamber of Trade to repair the sign.
- 362. Litter/dog bins Island Park (min.344b refers) Clerk reported on WDBC costs for emptying the bins:
- a) 2 litter bins @ £1 per bin per empty 1 per week

£104.00 per annum

b) 1 dog bin@£1.15 per bin per empty l per week

£ 59.80 per annum

It was resolved that the dog bin be removed from Island Park and relocated to another site (to be decided) and that the Clerk contact WDBC and instruct them to empty 2 litter bins once a week (if further bin to be installed this would also be included) at a cost of £104.00 per annum.

- 363. West Devon Mayoral Awards (min.346 refers) Clerk had submitted the Under 18 nomination in the name of Hannah Woodhams.
- 364. Bio Diversity Audit (min.353 refers) Clerk had photocopied a copy for Cllr. Tyson.

#### PLANNING MATTERS

365. Applications to consider:-

a) Mr.I.Trenaman Hurl Bridge erection of agric.storage shed
(Cllr.Trenaman left the room, being the applicant) Council supported the application

b) Chisholm & Son barn north of cou to dwellinghouse

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(Cllr. Trenaman declared interest and took no part in the discussion or vote) Council supported the application but had slight

concerns over the access

366. Permissions granted:-

a) A.Beavis Bumblebee Barn cou agric.workshop to kitchen

367. Refusals advised:-

a) A.Norman
 b) Miss Elstob
 c) A.Croom
 land adj.Edgemoor
 dwellings
 cou. to residential
 cou. barn to dwelling

## 368. Any other planning matters:-

- a) Heane Farm wind turbine appeal Council had now received official notification from WDBC of the appeal start/finish dates. Following a discussion it was resolved:-
- i) a copy of the statement read by Cllr.Gilbert at the planning meeting held on 29th July 2014 on behalf of the Council be forwarded to the planning inspector
- ii) Further comment as follows also to be sent: "Hatherleigh Town Council having read the Environment Agency report, having concerns regarding flooding due to the construction of the new bridge, which may result in the access road being washed further downstream causing significant flooding problems.
- b) WDBC Our Plan councillors were reminded of the presentation event in the Community Centre 12th March. Thereafter Cllr. Tyson will e.mail councillors on a draft response to be made to WDBC

#### FINANCIAL MATTERS

369. The Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

a) Mrs.Leahy	toilets/bus shelter	£208.00
b) Mrs.Lock	wages	£154.60
c) Mrs.Lock	expenses	£ 44.96
d) Hatherleigh C.C.	hire	£ 32.80
e) A.Gilbert	mayors allow ance payment 3 functions	£163.00

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

370. Moneys received: none

## 371. Any other financial matter:-

a) L & M Cole Landscapes 2015 contract price. There was no increase in the prices for the coming year. Resolved that Council accept the contract for a further 12 months.

#### TOWN TRAFFIC SURVEY

372. Cllr.Gilbert read e.mail from Cllr.Alford relating to the traffic problems at Pyle's sale today. Resolved that Clerk forward this e.mail to Dist.Cllr.McInnes and PC Pickles and ask that PC Pickles attends the next Pyle sale when the school children are coming out. With regard to the proposed household traffic survey

Cllr.Gilbert would colate all the suggested traffic survey suggestions and bring to the next meeting.

#### MAINTENANCE ISSUES

373. Cllr.Stevens - seat at Sanctuary Lane requires repairs. Cllr.Trenaman to remind Mr.M.Wonnacott

## 374. Cllr.Tyson:-

- a) Island Park:
  - a successful litter pick up had taken place
  - zip wire had a broken spring. Cllr.Bush to liaise with CllrTyson
  - wooden bridge still have not been repaired. Cllrs. Trenaman and Gilbert would remedy.
  - certain pieces of play equipment required fresh bark on the ground surfaces. Resolved that Cllr. Tyson order the amount of bark required.
  - rota rocker broken part would be replaced under the warranty. Resolved that Cllr. Tyson ascertain from the manufacturers if the equipment could be used in its current state.
- b) Buddle Lane weeds needed spraying, as in other parts of the town. Clerk to ascertain from DCC Highways their spraying schedule.
- 375. Cllr.Gilbert due to the fact that Cllr.Bush was not seeking re-election we would require a "website manager" Cllr.Stevens would possibly take over this post after discussing the matter with Cllr.Bush.

## COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECT

376. A discussion took place on this matter following the presentation by various agencies. Council unanimously resolved not to take part in this exercise due to important issues they would be working on with regard to the traffic survey and neighbourhood plan.

## DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

377. No report available.

#### MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

- 378. Cllrs. Calkin, Bush & Trenaman Moor Management reported:-
- a) the management of the moor was running well
- b) learnt about the school's proposed plan to create "a forest classroom"
- 379. Cllr.Trenaman Sportsfield:-
- a) tennis courts were showing signs of wear and tear. Looking at funding streams and ideas to take forward
- b) 3 of the 5 trustees had given 12months notice that they were to resign.
- 380. Cllrs.Bater & Bush Community Centre with neither of these councillors seeking re-election, the council would need to find a representative to sit on the Board of Trutees
- 381. Cllr.Tyson Destination Okehampton Cllr.Tyson would attend one further meeting of this newly formed group, but future meetings must be attended by other councillors.
- 382. Cllr.Gilbert reported that he had represented Hatherleigh at the mayors functions of West Devon Borough Council, Bideford and Barnstaple.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

383. Mr.S.Forrester - letter concerning parking at the allotments. Before we contact Mrs.Barkwell on the problem Clerk to write to Mr.Forrester to see if problems still exist, the council having paid the sum of £2,750 in June 2011 for ground work on the car park

384. WDBC - news release that rise of 1.9% in council tax would result in an increase to a Band D property

# of £3.89 per annum

385. Public Transport Review - Sampford Courtenay Parish Council have enquired about parish councils making a co-ordinated response on the matter. Cllr.Calkin would report back after the matter had been discussed at the next Northern Links meeting

386. Clerk distributed election nomination forms to those interested and spare copies were given to Cllr.Gilbert. Clerk again reiterated that all nomination forms had to be returned by hand in person to Kilsworthy Park Tavistock

## ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 387. Cllr.Tyson Co-op Bus shelter to be added to next months agenda
- 388. Cllr.Gilbert Community Awards evening to be added to next months agenda.
- 389. Date of next meeting Tuesday 14th April 2015

Before the meeting closed, as this was the last council meeting for Cllr.Bush, Cllr.Gilbert thanked him for his outstanding work over a number of years for the council and the town of Hatherleigh. He will be sorely missed.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

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