



**HATHERLEIGH TOWN
COUNCIL**
Notes from last meeting
Sept 13th 2016
Next meeting Oct 11th

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<http://www.hatherleightowncouncil.org/>

Your 10 Councillors are: Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Ian Trenaman, Graham Alford, Andy Gilbert, Chris Calkin, Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Roger Laphorn.

Items of interest to report this month are:

The Jubilee footpath is to receive works to improve it, with stone steps and trimming of branches.

Sadly our PCSO Marcus Jarvis has been pulled away to help with police staff shortages in Okehampton! We have been informed that PCSO recruiting is not happening at present. There is only one PCSO for the Okehampton area!

The Hatherleigh sign on Holsworthy road is to be made upright, thanks to the owners of the property on which the sign sits.

The decoration of the bus shelter will soon be underway, a huge thanks to the Coop staff and RGB who have donated the paint and equipment.

We are still waiting for the installation of cycle racks Devon County has to undertake a utility search for services under the pavement.

The dead tree in the car park has been reported to West Devon Council for removal and we have asked Devon County Council to look at reducing the height of the roadside trees by the Cricket Club.

It was agreed to not paint the new lamp posts in Higher Street. It was felt that the sheen of the steel will soften with weathering and would be a better option than having them painted and seeing the paint deteriorate over time.

This month there were 4 planning applications, one of which is to support an ATM cash machine at the Coop.

The Council were pleased to be informed there will be some new Christmas lights in town this year, funded by the Moor management Committee.

Due to the popularity of Island Park and increased litter four extra litter bins have been installed, one opposite the garage next to the bench and three along the path at the skate park. Three are being paid for by kind donation from Moor Management. The Coop and Garage shop have also kindly offered to pay for the emptying of a bin each.

A discussion took place following complaints about the number of fly-posters and unauthorised adverts on the bridge fence. It was felt that it makes the entrance to the Town look untidy; can potentially be a distraction to drivers and therefore a safety issue; they also stop the passive supervision of Island Park play area. We are looking into who should take responsibility over this as the bridge is Devon Highways.

The Town Council website has been reviewed and it was agreed it needs updating and modernising.

The Chairman and Council were delighted to receive a letter from the Primary School children asking to borrow equipment to help with a litter pick. As we do not have such equipment and as a gesture of support it was agreed to pay towards their costs.

Finally, Can people please keep a watchful eye on the sheep statue, it has been having some unwanted attention lately and any information will be much appreciated.

A full account of the meetings are available in the minutes, these are available on the notice board at Millennium Square or on the Town Council website at <http://www.hatherleightowncouncil.org/>

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