

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 14th February 2017 7pm in the Community Centre

Present: Cllr.Tyson in the chair, Cllrs.Laing-Trengove, Trenaman, Back, Gladstone (7.35pm)
C.Cllr.McInnes, Dist.Cllr.Kimber, the Clerk and 2 members of the public

Apologies: Cllr.Laycock, Mr.Wolverson

CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR

340. Mr.Kingstone signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office witnessed by the Clerk and was given a register of interests for completion, together with guidance notes on how to complete and a copy of the council's adopted code of conduct. Cllr.Tyson welcomed Cllr.Kingstone to the Council. Mr.Wolverson having given his apologies to the meeting would have to be co-opted at the March meeting.

MINUTES OF MEETING

341. The minutes of the meeting held 17th January 2017, having been duly circulated were signed by the chair as being a true and correct record with the following two amendments: a) min.313 to read 9th March 7.30pm, b) min.324c to read "new graveyard path needs attention and fence needs repairing". Proposed Cllr.Trenaman seconded Cllr.Tyson. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

342. Cycle racks (min.303 refers) 12 racks had now been installed. Resolved that we apply for £800 from the TAP Fund - clerk to submit an application and claim the £800 from the County Councillor locality budget. It was resolved that the remaining 8 racks be given to the Community Centre.

343. Trees roadside of cricket field (min.304) matter ongoing

344. Loading/disabled bay at new post office (min.305) Cllr.Laing-Trengove stressed that the loading bay was essential for the business at the new post office premises and we should not have to wait for a traffic order as it would be replacing the designated loading bay outside the old post office premises which is now not used. County Cllr.McInnes would contact highways.

345. Community noticeboard (min.306) Cllr.Tyson reported that a new larger noticeboard was in situ and the old one removed and offered to the Community Centre.

346. Bus shelter noticeboard (min.307) quote received from Gingerface in the sum of £450.00. Resolved that a sample is required before we can make a decision. Clerk to email to obtain a copy.

347. Jubilee footpath (min,308) condition of footpath would be monitored. Cllr.Laing-Trengove handed to the Clerk the completed P3 footpath survey form completed by Mr.L. Cole. Clerk to forward this together with grant application form to DCC.

348. Traffic order (min,309) County Cllr.McInnes to contact DCC Highways for an update.

349. IJP Planning (min.311) Councillors had attended a short presentation for information purposes only from IJP Planning.

350. Salt bins (min,312) DCC had confirmed they did not own the bins at Bowmans Meadow. Clerk to contact Cathy Aubertin WDBC to ask for a list of the bins that they owned within Hatherleigh.

351. Northern Links meeting (min.313) Cllr.Tyson reminded councillors that the next meeting was being held in Hatherleigh on 9th March at 7.30pm.

352. DCC/Mr.Farley (min.322) Clerk had confirmed the support for Mr.Farley with DCC. Mr.Farley had heard nothing further from them.

353. Play park wooden bridge (min.324a) Cllr.Tyson stated she still considered the condition of the bridge to be dangerous. Councillors to investigate further.

354. Island Park bucket swing (min.324b) this had now been repaired.

355. Fallen tree branch Strawbridge (min.324d) Cllr.Tyson reported that DCC Rights of Way would have to remove the large fallen tree branch. Cllr.Laing-Trengove to inform Mr.J Baker.

356. Island park benches (min.324e) Cllr.Tyson awaiting quotes for concrete benches and tables

357. Devon Air Ambulance night landing site (min.331) meeting had taken place with councillors, Mr.Toby Russell and Mr.Tidball from the Cricket Club. The cricket club was the preferred site option, but cricket club said all cables would have to be put underground. Mr.Tidball obtaining quotes for this work.

358. Time capsule plaque (min.336) resolved that Cllr.Tyson order plaque at cost of £81 (includes vat and delivery).

PLANNING MATTERS

359. Applications to consider:-

a) Mr.B. Horn	1 Higher Street	replacement sun/plant room <i>council supported the application</i>
b) Miss Lawson-Pegg	31 Market Street	LBC replacement windows <i>council supported the application</i>
c) J.Newman	barn Kings Field Wingate Lane	cou agricultural barn to dwelling <i>council were against this application for the following reasons</i> <i>a) Quiet Waters Consultancy prior notification submission states "cou to 3 dwellings" but actual application is for 1</i> <i>b) this is not an agricultural building - plan clearly states "general storage"</i> <i>c) this building was built as stables and is not worthy of conversion. Any such conversion would not make a sustainable dwelling</i>

360. Applications granted:-

a) Co-op Store	Bridge St.	new refrigeration plant etc
b) R.Davies	land rear of 7 High St	application withdrawn

361. Refusals advised:-

a) Mr.R.Beavis	Badger Barn	front porch
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FINANCIAL MATTERS

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

a) Mrs.Leahy	toilets 18.1/14/2/17	£230.40
b) Mrs.Lock	wages	£154.60
c) Mrs.Lock	expenses	£ 47.20
d) R.Gill	xmas tree	£ 50.00

e) Hatherleigh Comm.Centre	hire	£ 16.40
f) Mrs.M.S.Jones	Sub. Ancestry UK	£179.50

Proposed Cllr.Back seconded Cllr.Tyson that the above accounts be paid. Cllrs.Trenaman and Laing-Trengove signed the cheques.

362. Moneys received:-

a) Xmas collection box	£ 6.62
b) Skatepark Initiative group	£196.73

363. Any other financial matters:-

- WDBC press release - council tax to rise by 2.3% = £5 per year on a Band D property = £218.39
- Cllr.McInnes reported that DCC council tax was rising by 4.9% to allow extra funds for adult care and childrens services. Their budget had been cut by £214million in 8 years
- new bank signatories would be implemented after AGM when we had a full quote of councillors
- Cllrs.Trenaman and Laing-Trengove would obtain list of documents held in safe custody by the bank

COUNCIL VACANCIES

364. Clerk reported as follows:-

- no 10 registered electors had requested an election
- co-option notice had been displayed with expressions of interest to be received by 4th March
- two expressions of interest to date

TRAFFIC/MAINTENANCE ISSUES

365. Cllr.Gladstone reported as follows:-

- she had reported the flooded path at Runnon Moor Lane to J.Baker Footpath Officer, but this should be reported to highways. Situation to be monitored.
- encouraged people to report pot holes on line.

366. Cllr,Tyson:-

- disabled bay outside 25 Bridge St. had been realigned
- Chapel white line - she had sent old photos to highways clearly showing a white line in situ
- Tree Ring Buddle Lane - Mr.D.Bater had this and she reported that the Community Centre would like to display it
- annual playground inspection for all 3 sites fixed for March at cost of £125.00.

TOILET CLEANING

367. Clerk reported:-

- 4 expressions of interest received
- WDBC had reported that Town Council would be responsible for a deep clean. No response received as to whether any improvements were going to be made to the toilets

Following a discussion it was resolved:-

- Cllr.Kingstone to obtain prices for a deep clean
- Cllrs.Laing-Trengove and Laycock to draw up a "job specification"
- position to be filled in April with Mrs.Leahy cleaning until this time
- 2 applicants from Bratton Clovelly and Winkleigh respectively would be told that the council thought travelling distance/times would be a problem. The other 2 applicants would be informed of the next procedure.

OLD POST OFFICE PREMISES CLOCK

368. The clock had now been removed from the old post office premises. The Papershop were not interested

in displaying the clock due to its large size. Cllr. Tyson to ask if Community Centre would be agreeable to displaying it.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

369. Cllr.Kimber reported as follows:-

- a) Joint local plan was going to full council on 28th Feb. followed by a further period of public consultation
- b) garden waste collection was now going to be charged for
- c) balanced budget for 17/18 but £1million deficit for 18/19
- d) still trying to find way forward with regard to the car park

WEST DEVON MAYORAL AWARDS

370. It was resolved to put no nominations forward this year

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

371. Cllr.Gladstone:-

- a) Festival - festival going ahead with interested parties organising their own events
- b) Moor Management - 205 pot boilers each received £60 each. Future projects to include reinstatement of culm grasslands and a butterfly survey
- c) Oke Rail - trip 18th March Okehampton - Paddington £47 return (1st class option) tickets on sale to the public 16th February.

372. Cllr.Tyson:-

- a) Community Centre - new chair Roger Laphorn - two vacancies.
- b) toddler style litter bin from Island Park will be relocated to the community centre.

CORRESPONDENCE

373. Mr. Mrs.P.Sanders - broadband speeds in Hatherleigh. Resolved that Cllr.Back contact them.

374. Peter Newell - effect of art projects in Hatherleigh. Resolved that enquiry be passed on to Miss S.Vick.

375. Okehampton and South Molton invitations for Cllr.Tyson.

ITEMS OF INTEREST/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

376. Cllr.Lang-Trengove thanked Cllr.Trenaman for an excellent job in laying the skatepark hedge opposite the garage.

377. Asset register to be revisited/revamped for the 16/17 accounts.

378. Cathy Aubertin from WDBC be asked to a future meeting to have an update on the future of the carpark.

379. Agenda items

- dates for AGM and Annual parish meeting and speaker
- Sportsfield

380. Date of next meeting Tuesday 14th March 7pm.

There being no further business the chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.30pm.

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