

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from last meeting

July 10th 2018

Next meeting September 11th

No meeting in August

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Your 10 Councillors are Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Ian Trenaman, Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Ben Bailey, Andrea Kimber, Kariss Madders, Jeff Newman.

In the public session we listened to concerns about the risk to the ash tree considering the building works at the back of Natwest bank.

Hatherleigh Market: The planning application has been submitted (ref number 1794/18/FUL), to keep informed view WDBC planning portal. A separate meeting was decided to discuss this application.

We were informed by WDBC that Mr Dumbleton/Ruby Country had nominated the market to be registered as a Community Asset and WDBC had requested our views. We therefore met Mr Dumbleton at an earlier time to gather facts to understand the situation. He wishes to see the return of the area to a livestock auction site and apply for grants & crowd funding by way of financial support.

Council discussion took place on the issue of whether it can be registered, the implications if it was, and if indeed it would come on the open market. Questions were raised over the financial viability and sustainability of the actual market and indeed the whole of the site. We await the outcome and decision with interest.

The Air Ambulance night landing site project is progressing well with updates that Mrs Munns coffee morning was a great success raising £400. It was agreed to begin the planning process for the lighting column. Any donations to the cause gratefully received.

Another coffee morning success reported was OkeRail at Old Schools. Funds from this will benefit Hatherleigh passengers thru the subsidised bus link in the next train event.

Maintenance Issues:

Yellow lines/loading bay: the loading bay can be extended due to difficulties the large vehicles are having. We are told the yellow lines can go ahead from the Paper Shop to The George. And a small section of lines be added to improve access for

vehicles entering Red Lane. All other yellow line issues have to wait until the next round of DCC highways works in 2019.

The town litter pick was reported as a great success and thanks expressed to the Primary School for taking part.

Runnon Moor Ruby Trail bench and dog bin: A bench has been chosen and will be ordered. The dog bin will be used from Oakfield Rd and a new litter bin purchased to replace it. Quotes will be sought for the work.

Millennium Corner bushes will be removed at some point as they have grown too large and are hiding the area.

The Market Square's planting project has received a mixed response. Please note this has Council support, that we take on board all comments, and we will review the outcome later in the year.

Other items of interest:

The street sweeper has been around town.

Thank you to everyone who is looking after the hanging baskets – particular thank you to the lady who rescued the one at Millennium Corner.

New graveyards signs are to be erected.

We are looking for a Playpark Equipment Maintenance person. Insurance does not cover a volunteer to undertake this specialised role. If there is anyone in the community who has this experience please get in touch.

The Toddler Park at the Community Centre and the condition of some of the equipment was raised. We will monitor the equipment, and highlight that we would support any parent group wishing to progress a project here in the same way we supported the playpark and skate park projects.

Space is short here. A full account of meetings are available in the minutes, these are available on the notice board at Millennium Square or the Town Council website at
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