

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from last meeting
June 12th 2018
Next meeting July 10th

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

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 comments about the planning application on Park Road. We also heard about a project idea being created to encourage wild flower verges.

The Air Ambulance night landing site project is progressing with updates about costings and grants. We're now at a stage to bring all this together and also begin looking at planning permission. Mrs Munn's fundraising pot is growing – thank you to those who have generously contributed donations.

Maintenance Issues:

Weeds around town: We are to request WDBC undertake a widespread street clean which incorporates the removal of weeds as part of the process. Please be aware this will only be a temporary measure and so please help keep the areas in front of your properties weed free.

Runnon Moor Ruby Trail bench and dog bin: It was reported that DCC have installed a concrete pad ready for siting the bench. The choosing of bench, bins and contractor will be decided next meeting.

Yellow lines/loading bay: further discussion is to be had with DCC over its placing of the loading bay due to large vehicles still not having enough room to park. And we will place a request for them to look at expanding the lined area near Red Lane to alleviate access problems.

Millennium Corner bushes are to be removed as they have grown too large and are hiding the area. Any suggestions welcome for what to replant in the wall.

Hurray! the dead tree in the car park has finally been dealt with.

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 knowledge please get in touch.

Dog mess: To remind those few dog owners who selfishly disregard and disrespect their community – a fixed penalty notice of £80 is payable if caught. This can increase to £1000 if you end up in court.

Be aware the eyes of the community are on you so do the right thing!

Dog mess can be put in any litter bin, and there are numerous around town.

Market: We have been informed that Kingswood Homes have submitted their planning application into WDBC and it is awaiting verification before it is released for full planning process consultation.

The school flower bed Cob Horse Project has now been completed and Councillors commented on what a successful project this is. It is a lovely attraction for the Town and the school children. A huge appreciative well done is expressed to Alain Pezard, Beaford Arts, and the Primary School. And a thanks to Mr Brandon-King and Cllr Newman for helping out with the logistics of soil and stone manoeuvring.

Hanging baskets: Please adopt a basket and ensure it gets regular water in dry spells, they are a lovely addition to the town in summer.

Library Services Consultation: take a look at our website for the link about rural library services and their requests for suggestions on how to improve this service.

Drains/speeding/road issues: We would encourage anyone with concerns about serious issues of flooding, speeding, dangerous parking to send reports to Devon County Council or West Devon Borough Council using their online 'Report Problems' pages. This is very simply to do so familiarise yourself with the process.

Due to council budgets been tight some issues will only be dealt with if the 'profile' of a problem builds until it cannot be ignored.

Complaints on facebook do not get recorded or bring the issue to the attention of authorities.

And finally, dates to look out for in June:

OkeRail coffee morning Old Schools Tuesday 26th.
Air Ambulance Night Landing Fund coffee morning, Old Schools, Saturday 30th.

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

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