

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from last meeting 10th March. Next meeting 14th April 2020 7pm in Community Centre

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Your 9 Councillors are Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Kay Walters, Netty Holwill, Donna Lewis, Iain Crockatt.

Councillor vacancy - Two expressions of interest received more details next month.

In our public session we had representations from residents concerned about the planning application at Biddecombe in Park Road. And we had a visit from North Devon Biosphere informing us of their Marine Plan survey and info videos.

Toddler Playpark: This is progressing with fencing and tree works completed. Equipment is now on order.

Maintenance Issues:

Country footpaths: these are regularly monitored around Hatherleigh and various works by Devon County have been completed with more in the pipeline, including the replacement of a new gate at the cemetery.

Street Cleaner: Councillors reported a great start to this new role with the town looking much improved. If there are public areas about town you think may need attention then please get in touch.

Air Ambulance Access: a reminder to drivers that the entrance to the football club should NOT be used to park vehicles as access is required at any time.

Potholes: Concern was raised about the method/scheduling of pothole repairing. We will seek an explanation to this from Devon County Council Cllr. McInnes and also ask for an update on the progress of the Tarka Trail.

Toilet ramp: following a request by a resident we investigated with West Devon BC if a ramp could be installed into the men's cubicle. We were notified this isn't possible due to space issues and underground service pipes.

New Town Map: discussion was had whether the town map on the central bus shelter could now

be updated considering the new doctors surgery and market development is now decided. We agreed to await completion of the new market pavilion before we progress this.

Climate & Biodiversity Emergency: It was agreed to commit a page on our Town Council website for the sharing of information relating to this subject. Councillors will continue to attend the community Environment Forum.

West Devon BC Cllrs report: Cllr. Kimber reported that the hourly charge for the town car park would rise to 50p an hour. Though we requested that the half hourly charge remains and stays at 30p. Cllr. Kemp informed us if the town underwent a Neighbourhood Plan it would be entitled to the 25% Community Infrastructure Levy payable from new developments.

CAN WE PLEASE REMIND RESIDENTS:

NOT to leave their rubbish bags by litter bins outside of collection times, this is fly tipping; to clear up adjoining pathways after they have trimmed their hedges and trees; and to take in their recycle boxes once emptied and not leave them out cluttering the pavements.

CORONA VIRUS: At the time of our meeting the Government's Corona Virus guidelines hadn't been announced and so was not a meeting topic. However if you are reading this and have concerns because you are elderly or vulnerable and have concerns over needing help with supplies in the coming weeks and you have no close friends or neighbours to confide in then please contact our clerk below and we will help where we can.

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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