

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held Tuesday 8th November 2011 7pm in Community Centre

Present: Cllr.Alford in the chair, Cllrs. Abell, Bush, Jones, Gilbert, Trenaman, Calkin Stevens, Winsor. Dist.Cllr.C.Hall, the Clerk, one member of the public

Apologies: Cllr.Bater

The minutes of the meeting held 11th October 2011, having been duly circulated were signed by the chairman as being a true and correct record (with typo errors noted). Proposed Cllr.Bush seconded Cllr.Abell. All agreed.

Cllr.Jones would submit this months meeting report to the Parish Pump.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

240. Hatherleigh toilets (min.195 refers) WDBC Waste Contract Working Group had now reviewed the public toilet services and Councils would be informed of the outcome shortly. Cllr.Stevens requested use of toilets for carnival committee on carnival night. Permission given.

241. Moor View bus stop (min.196 refers) white lining still not carried out. Resolved that Clerk contact DCC Highways again as residents were now parking at the bus stop preventing buses from stopping at their designated stop.

242. Flower bed bottom of South Street (min.198 refers)

a) Clerk had written to North Devon Landscapes and Golden Leaf Landscapes asking for quotes. To date none received.

b) Moor Management committee had requested more information on the “revamping” of the area. Cllrs.Jones & Calkin would inform them at the next management committee meeting.

c) Cllr.Calkin reported that Mrs.S.Woollacott was interested in doing some work on the flower beds. Resolved that Cllr.Calkin ask that Mrs.Woollacott and Mr.Martin Cole liase.

243. Skateboard fencing (min.199 refers) repairs had been completed. Cllr.Bush however reported further damage had been caused by youths kicking down the fencing. Names were known and it was resolved that Cllr.Bush request that our PCSO investigate the incident.

244. Island Park seat (min.200 refers) Cllr.Trenaman reported that the Reynolds family would be removing the damaged seat and not replacing it.

245. Street lighting (min.202 refers) Cllr.Gilbert confirmed that work on street lights as described in min.202 would be carried out Wed.9th October. He further confirmed that the majority of the tar barrel run would be lit for the carnival.

246. Electricity box The Square (min.205 refers) Cllr. Trenaman confirmed that he now held a 3rd key.

247. Dog bin (min.206 refers) Council clarified that the new bin required was one that fitted onto a round post.

248. Ruby Country (min.208 refers) Clerk awaiting confirmation as to when Mr.Betson could attend a meeting.

249. The Square steps (min.209 refers) broken steps had been repaired by WDBC

250. Planning app. 7 High St. (min.211a refers) the initials LB as shown on the front sheet of the application are those of the planning officer and do not stand for Listed Building.

251. Snow warden (min.228 refers) Cllr.Abell reported that Mr.Jake Skelton had volunteered to be the Town's snow warden. Resolved that Mr.Skelton be appointed and that the Council would pay travelling costs to any training events.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

252. Dist.Cllr.Hall reported as follows:-

- a) She had no councillor grant moneys available
- b) Meeting with Mr.S.Daw from DCC Highways and Dist.Cllr.McInnes concerning the white lining of the roads in and around the town.
- c) She was investigating the possibility of having 30min. free parking bays in Market Street.
- d) At the meeting with G.Cox MP, he expressed concern about the expected number of planning applications for wind turbines in the area.
- e) Further market development plans. Councillors confirmed that no date had yet been fixed with the developers for the next consultation event.
- f) Various rumours were circulating about the shutting of The George Hotel.

PLANNING MATTERS

253. Applications to consider: None

254. Permissions granted:-

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| a) P.Gillies | 7 High Street | erection of 2 residential units |
| b) Hatherleigh Town Council | West Fishleigh | erection of polytunnel |

255. Refusals advised:-

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| a) Madewell | West Fishleigh | single storey extension |
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256. Any other planning matters None

FINANCIAL MATTERS

257. Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

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| a) Mrs.Leahy | toilet cleaning | £ 194.56 |
| b) Mrs.R.Lock | wages | £ 154.60 |
| c) Mrs.R.Lock | expenses | £ 22.74 |
| d) Oke.Transport Group | grant | £ 50.00 |
| e) Hatherleigh Comm.Centre | hiring | £ 10.00 |
| f) Soc.Local Council Clerks | membership fee | £ 72.00 |
| g) A.J.Drew | Skateboard fencing | £ 104.25 |

Proposed Cllr.Abell seconded Cllr.Alford that the above accounts be paid and Cllrs.Bush and Jones signed the cheques.

258. Moneys received:-

a) Dist.Cllr.J.McInnes South St.flower bed Grant

259. Precept for 2012.2013 – Clerk provided all councillors with upto date précis of financial figures. Following discussion on the figures, and present and future projects of the Council it was proposed by Cllr.Bush seconded by Cllr.Jones that a precept of £20,500 be set. All agreed. Clerk to submit forms to WDBC (this being the same as 2010/2011)

260. Any other financial matters:-

- a) West Devon Citizen Advice Bureau grant request. Resolved that grant of £50 be awarded.
- b) Victim Support grant request. Resolved that grant of £50 be awarded.

PLAN IT

261. Cllr.Abell reported as follows:-

- a) 2 meetings had been held with “the Champions”. A survey would be distributed throughout the town by various methods (WDBC bearing the printing costs)
- b) Concern had been expressed that ideas from the two issues of the market development and the wider Plan It project, could not be kept separate. Town Council also concerned about the perception that the Town Council were working with the developers. Town Council were trying to gather as much information as possible on the proposed development, so as to ensure that the best outcome for the town of Hatherleigh could be achieved. So as not to prejudice or predetermine their position, the Town Council can only make comments on a formal application when it has been received by WDBC and forwarded to them purely as consultees.
- c) Resolved that Cllr.Abell express the above concerns to WDBC at the next meeting.

ISLAND PARK

262. Cllr.Bush reported that loose fill woodchip to cover area of 2 cubic metres costing £300-£600 was needed. Resolved that Cllr.Bush order the material required.

ALLOTMENTS

263. Polytunnel was being erected. Drainage work costing approx. £100 plus vat was now required

NEW GRAVEYARD

264. Discussion took place on the purchase of a burial register. Proposed Cllr.Abell seconded Cllr.Winser that register be purchased from Shaw & Son approx cost of £170.00.

MAINTENANCE/TRAFFIC ISSUES

265. Further complaints received concerning parking on Pyles Auctions big sale days. WDBC would be given list of these dates.

266. New double yellow lining in place by Bank and the carpark. Council had not been notified or consulted on this work. Resolved that Clerk write to WDBC asking for explanation.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 267. WDBC draft Affordable Housing Code of Practice – in reading file
- 268. South Hams – Standard Community Involvement Consultation draft – in reading file
- 269. DCC P3 Workshops/information – Cllr.Winser had also received correspondence.
- 270. WDBC Car Park strategy – Clerk had e.mailed various documents to all councillors
- 271. Royal British Legion Womens Section celebrating 65 years of formation with a celebration service on Sunday 27th November 3pm followed by tea. Clerk to inform Mrs.Collier that 5 councillors would be attending.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 272. Cllr.Abell:-
 - a) the Olympic torch would come through Hatherleigh on 21st May
 - b) following the successful visit of the Tour of Britain cycle race to Hatherleigh in 2009, as 2012 was going to be the last such race, we should invite them back to Hatherleigh
- 273. Cllr.Bush – assembly 10.15am at Claremont for Remembrance Day Parade
- 274. Cllr. Winser:-
 - a) complaints about vehicles parked top of Market Street close to the bend. PCSO to be informed
 - b) street light outside the Bank was not working. Cllr.Gilbert to check
- 275. Date of next meeting Tuesday 6th December 7pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.12pm.

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