

Hatherleigh Town Council
Minutes of meeting held Tuesday 10th September 2013

Present: Cllr.Alford in the chair, Cllrs. Winser, Bush, Gilbert, Tyson, Trenaman, Stevens, Bater
Dist.Cllr.Hall, The Clerk. No members of the public
Apologies: Cllrs.Jones and Calkin

The minutes of the meetings held 9th July^h and 28th August having been duly circulated were signed by the chairman as being a true and correct record with one amendment to 9th July – min. no. 105c to read “inconsiderate”. Proposed Cllr.Gilbert seconded Cllr.Bater. All agreed. The minutes of the meeting held 8th August would be confirmed at the October meeting.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 9TH JULY

121. Committee room cupboard (min.77 refers) temporary legs in place so cupboard can be used. Still awaiting delivery of second cupboard.

122. New noticeboard (min. 78 refers) now in use. Clerk handed Cllr.Bush a key.

123. Bell sculpture plaque (min.77 refers) new plaque has been ordered.

124. Jubilee gate plaque (min.80 refers) new plaque has been ordered

125. Picnic bench Island Park (min.81 refers) Cllr.Trenaman confirmed that he had received 2 replacement legs for the table.

126. Bank account details (min.83 refers) new cheque and paying in books received in the name of Hatherleigh Town Council – still awaiting bank statement.

127. White lining outside chapel (min.86 refers) absence of lines is not a priority but has been added to the marking list

128. Allotments (min.88 refers) Cllr.Bater would locate the missing sign.

129. Clerks contract (min.89 refers) to be a future agenda item.

130. Toilets (min.97 refers) faulty tap had been repaired.

131. Bus shelter barrier (min.98 refers) ongoing matter.

132. A386 pothole by Pump Shelter (min.100 refers) this has been marked for repair.

133. Carnival nights/toilets (min.108 refers) Cllr.Alford to see Mr.Leahy to ascertain if he is willing to clean the toilets for a one off payment of £50.00.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 28TH AUGUST

134, The Buddle High St. (min.116b refers) Mr.Moorcroft had tidied up the area.

PLANNING MATTERS

135. Applications to consider: none

136. Permissions granted:-

a) Mr.Sharpe	Fishleigh House	cou redundant stable block/ext. for garage
b) Mrs.Cannon	Old Schools	change of tiles to reclaimed delabole

137. Refusals advised:- none

FINANCIAL MATTERS

138. Clerk presented the following account for payments:-

a) Mrs.Leahy	toilet cleaning 63 days	£ 445.68
b) Mrs.Lock	wages 2 months	£ 308.80
c) Mrs.Lock	expenses	£ 27.60
d) N.Moorcroft	Island Park	£ 464.25

e) Hatherleigh Comm.Centre	hire	£ 52.00
f) Phil Bush Carpentry	new noticeboard	£ 322.80
g) HM Rev. & Customs	clerks tax	£ 116.00
h) L & M Cole	g.mains/jubilee path	£1718.21
i) G.Alford	printing costs Awards	£ 37.09
j) G.Alford	plaques costs	£ 183.00

Proposed Cllr.Bush seconded Cllr.Winser that the above accounts be paid and Cllr.Trenaman and Bater signed the cheques.

139. Moneys received:-

a) WDBC	1st precept payment	£10,250.00
b) N.Lock	burial fee D.Jebson	£ 250.00

140. Any other financial matters:-

- a) Public Works Board loan payment taken 2nd Sept. £1,435.63 (principle £11250, interest £185.63)
- b) AON confirmed renewal of insurance policy.

BELVEDERE

141. Following a meeting by Cllrs.Bush, Gilbert, Jones and Bater with Mr.I.Balsdon it was resolved that:-

- a) Clerk to ascertain cost of public liability insurance on a folly with no monetary value, not owned by the Council but on a lease.
- b) If insurance can be arranged then an offer could be put to Mr.Balsdon to include rent of £35.00 per annum, fencing/maintenance thereof to be carried out by council and the bottom part of the folly shut off.

ISLAND PARK SKATEPARK PROJECT

142. Cllr.Tyson reported as follows:-

- a) hedge had been removed and taken away
- b) Wheelscape project of £70,000 plus vat – Council resolved to accept this project
- c) Wheelscape would require a letter of intent with no deposit required
- d) Sport England had confirmed that £50,000 grant is still available and all the conditions had been met (apart from copy of bank statement in the name of Hatherleigh Town Council)
- e) Balance of £20,000 – this had now been reached. This balance would be paid into the Town Council account
- f) It was resolved to remove the old skateboard equipment and sell at initial asking price of £2,000 – this money going towards the new project.
- g) It was resolved to block off entrance to the river for safety reasons

MAINTENANCE/TRAFFIC ISSUES

143. Cllr.Gilbert

- a) festival flags are still on the street lights. Clerk to contact Sue Reed of the Festival Committee
- b) Xmas lights – explained the problems of fixing xmas lights to the street light poles. Cllr.Gilbert further explained a solution to the problem. This would entail a one off payment for each pole to have a phased supply. Payment details to be confirmed.

144. Cllr.Tyson – Hay Wooda footpath required a new gate. Cllr.Winser to report to Footpath Officer.

145. Cllr.Trenaman: –

- a) bottom of Higher Street overgrown hedge. Cllr.Tyson to speak to house owner.
- b) Sportsfield – some mountain ash trees were covered with ivy. Volunteer had offered to do remedial work. Resolved that this kind offer be accepted.

146. Cllr.Alford – still parking problems outside the Co-op on the pavement. Resolved that Clerk write to DCC Highways suggesting a third bollard be fixed.

ALLOTMENTS

147. Cllr.Bater would ascertain the whereabouts of the old sign.

COMMUNITY AWARDS EVENING

148. The following arrangements were made:-

- a) Clerk to invite visiting mayors
- b) Cllr.Winser to arrange the catering. A buffet for £300.

- c) Cllr.Alford to contact the Ukele Bank to play for 2 short sessions
- d) 1st October – meeting to go through the nominations

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

149 Cllr.Hall reported that the Plans Committee of WDBC would not undertake a site visit on a market day. They had all visited the market days and feel that a visit on an empty site would give them better understanding of the plans lay out. Site visit had been arranged for Thursday 19th Sept. and the application would be on the October agenda. Councillors were completely unhappy about the application being “rushed through”. Resolved that the Clerk speak to the planning officer to try and arrange a meeting between all parties for further discussions.

BIKE RACKS

150. Resolved that Cllrs.Alford and Bater arrange a meeting with Mr.L.Riches to take the matter forward.

MOOR VIEW BENCH

151. Cllr.Tyson reported that Mrs.M.Taylor requested that a bench be placed in Moor View. The specific area suggested was the property of Millwood Homes. Cllr.Tyson to inform Mrs.Taylor.

TOWN SHIELD EMBLEM

152. Cllr.Jones had received copies of the town shield.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

153. Cllr.Stevens – Community Centre – reported that a new chairman had been appointed – Cllr.Bush and that fund raising activities were being organised.

154. Cllr.Trenaman – Sportsfield - no problems nothing to report.

CORRESPONDENCE

155. Local Government Boundary Commission – electoral review of WDBC. Information in reading file. Any comments should be brought forward at our next meeting for submission to the Commission.

156.TAP fund – Meeth and Hatherleigh Parish Councils for Old Schools. This property was owned by the Church.

Cllr.Alford to return the form to Cllr.Hall. Clerk to write to Meeth, Iddesleigh and Highampton Parish Councils with regard to the TAP fund application being for the towns xmas lights.

157. Date of next meeting Tuesday October 8th October

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting
At 9.50pm.

Signed.....chairman.....
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