

Hatherleigh Town Council
Minutes of meeting held Tuesday 11th February 2014 7pm
Community Centre

FINAL

Present: Cllr.Alford in the chair, Cllrs.Winser, Jones, Trenaman, Gilbert, Tyson,

Trenaman, Stevens, Calkin. Dist.Cllr.Hall, the Clerk

Apologies: Cllr.Bater

The minutes of the meeting held 14th January 2014 having been duly circulated were signed by the Chairman as being a true and correct record with one amendment - min.266 to read " Mr.C.Rose". Proposed Cllr.Winser seconded Cllr.Gilbert. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

303. Bell plaque (min.263 refers) ongoing matter.

304. Jubilee gate plaque (min.264 refers) on going matter

305. Allotment sign (min.265 refers) Clerk still collecting information for new sign.

306. Bus shelter barrier (min.266 refers) Cllr.Alford to contact Mr.Rose direct.

307. George Hotel parking (min.267 refers) Cllr.Tyson reported that the hotel website had not been updated with regard to parking information.

308. Market meeting with WDBC (min.272 refers) Councillors felt this had been a useful exercise. Resolved that Clerk circulate a further draft letter to be sent to all members of WDBC plans committee. Cllr.Alford informed the Council that a former member of the Plan It working group felt strongly about the number of houses in the application and wishes to address the Town Council on the matter.

309. Grafitti spray (min.288c refers) Cllr.Gilbert reported a 500ml spray can cost £10.05.

310. Millennium plaque (min.289 refers) Cllr.Bush reported that he had spoken to the owner of the property who was not satisfied with the Council's reply with regard to possible damage of the plaque during building works and who would be responsible. The plaque was for the Hatherleigh Millennium and Cllr.Trenaman would speak to Mrs.O.Reynolds on the matter.

311. Dog fouling (291refers) Clerk had circulated details of new stickers that were now available. Resolved that we order minimum number to see if they had any effect. Cllr.Bush reported on an e.mail received on the council's website from a resident who had reported dog fouling in the area of Moor View o WDBC. Cllr.Bush was awaiting details of the WDBC Dog Warden scheme to take the matter forward.

312. Moor View ditch (min.292 refers) Cllr.Alford reported that the ditch has subsided and is close to taking out the footpath. He would obtain letter from a resident of Moor View from North East Essex Building who had offered to sell the area of land/ditch in question to the resident.

313. Noticeboard (min.293 refers) Cllr.Jones reported that the noticeboard had been taken away for repairs, but would not be returned to the same site until the building guttering had been sorted out, which was the cause of the damage to the noticeboard. Councillors will consider resiting the noticeboard

314. Passaford Lane (min.295 refers) Clerk reported that the problem had been reported to DCC Highways with work ref; no. 14646987.

315. Xmas lights (min.297 refers) still no reply to e-mails from Maurizio D'Alesio. Cllr.Gilbert to contact another person on the matter.

316. Tap fund Ruby Country (min.298a refers) Cllr.Hall reported that Mr.Dumpleton was now looking at renting a property to establish an information centre for Ruby Country. Following a discussion it was resolved to join with Highampton Parish Council for a tap fund bid.. Cllr.Hall would complete and amend the application form.

PLANNING MATTERS

317. Applications to consider:-

a) Mr.P.Back 24 High Street LBC replace existing garage door

Council supported the application

b) Mr.Sharpe Fishleigh House LBC enlargement of existing opening & repairs of cobwall

Council supported the application

318. Permissions granted:-

a) Mr.Roberts 3 Bowmans Meadow conversion of garage to living accomm.

b) Mrs.Bartle 9 Cob Meadow erection of shed

319. Refusals advised: None

320. Any other planning matters:-

a) 2 Buddle Lane application - WDBC had sent details of new bat survey (council having given comments on the application at the Jan. meeting)

FINANCIAL MATTERS

321. Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

a) Mrs.Leahy	toilets	£201.92
b) Mrs.Lock	wages	£154.60
c) Mrs.Lock	expenses	£ 15.40
d) Hatherleigh Comm.Cen	hire	£ 24.00
e) L & M Cole	P3 work	£565.00
f) Playdale	new lids for bins Island Park	£ 95.30
g) G.Bush	reimb.stakes for new sign	£ 16.06

Proposed Cllr.Calkin seconded Cllr.Winser that the above accounts be paid and Cllrs.Jones and Trenaman signed the cheques.

322. Moneys received:-

a) WDBC	skateboard donation	£2500.00
b) Skatepark Group	cost of stones	£ 350.00
c) Rotary Club	donation xmas lights	£ 27.76
d) N.Lock & Sons	2 burial fees	£ 500.00
e) Mr.Mrs.B.Bottoms	donation xmas lights	£ 100.00

323. Any other financial matters:-

a) Public Works Board loan repayment to be made 3rd March £1,404.69 made up as to £1250.00 principle and £154.69 interest.

b) HM Customs & Excise - clerk had applied for refund of vat on the skatepark project and had been advised that payment would be made within 7 days

c) Precept - WDBC informed Clerk that the increased precept would show as a 15% increase albeit only representing a £5 increase per annum for a Band D property. Resolved that Councillors were happy with their decision in lieu of pending cuts from district authorities and government. Cllr.Jones would put article in Parish Pump.

d) Old Schools - letter of thanks received for tap fund moneys for refurbishments.

ISLAND PARK SKATEPARK

325. Cllr.Trenaman reported as follows:-

a) drain is needed to be installed to deal with standing water

b) to make the entrance look "part of the skatepark" this need to be concreted.

c) grind rails would be incorporated

d) £500 grant received from the Balsdon Trust

e) Snagging list had been completed, but fun boxes need to be sealed

f) a site visit by councillors would be arranged to finalise any of the above works and landscaping

326. Cllr.Tyson reported on Island Park as follows:-

a) Playdale had sent replacement lids, but with wrong fittings.

Resolved that Cllr.Tyson would rectify the matter

b) Zip wire was very slippery

c) Poles had been installed for the new sign

d) Willow trees at river end needed attention

MAINTENANCE/TRAFFIC ISSUES

327. Potholes reported in Market Street and Park Road

328. Drains blocked with stones Victoria Rd/Normandy Place

329. 39 Moor View - water cannot run away causing flooding on the pavement

330. Benches - Cllr.Alford reported that Mr.R.Taylor would donate a bench for Moor View if the Council did likewise. Resolved that no decision on this would be taken until we receive the result of the Rotary Club's audit on the town benches

331. Cllr.Stevens to follow up the bench repair work to be carried out by Mr.D.Stevens

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

332. Cllr.Hall reported as follows:-

a) further damage had occurred to the mosaic bottom of South Street. Agenda item next month

b) Street light not working - Cllr.Gilbert reported that no more repairs were being carried out until the next financial year.

c) WDBC had submitted two options for the Boundary Commission changes, both with 32 councillors.

WORLD WAR ONE COMMEMORATIONS

333. Church was co-ordinating commemorations. Resolved that Clerk write to Military Records Office in Glasgow giving the names of those on the war memorial to ascertain which regiments they were in.

AWARDS EVENING

334. Resolved that event be held on 4th or 11th October depending on availability of community centre. Further details to be finalised when date ascertained.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

a) Moor Management - Beating of the Bounds on 26th May would be organised by both the Town Council and Moor Management. Clerk asked to ascertain how many 2p coins were thrown into the river in 2007. Agenda item next meeting

CORRESPONDENCE

335. Torrington Town Council charity concert 22nd March - Cllr.Alford to reply direct.

336. Okehampton Town Council mayors dinner/dance 7th March. Cllr.Alford could not attend.

337. DWT Meeth Quarry Nature Reserve - resolved that Cllr.Tyson complete the questionnaire.

338. WDBC Mayoral awards. Resolved that we submit the names of Francesca Diepenbrook and Sandra Collier. Clerk to submit forms.

339. BT Super broadband for Hatherleigh - leaflets/information in reading file for distribution.

340. Items for information only:-

a) Remaining jubilee mugs would be distributed between Community Centre and the Chapel.

341. Date of next meeting Tuesday 11th March 2014

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

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