

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held Tuesday 20th January 2015 7pm in the Community Centre

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Present: Cllr.Gilbert in the chair, Cllrs.Winser, Jones, Tyson, Stevens, Trenaman, Calkin, Bater.
Dist.Cllr.Hall, the Clerk, one member of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs.Alford and Bush

-Public Session -

Mrs.Ingram a) best use of planning application discussions (b) Heane Farm wind turbine appeal
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The minutes of the meeting held 9th December, having been duly circulated, were signed by the Chairman as being a true and correct record. Proposed Cllr.Winser seconded Cllr.Tyson. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

288. Bus shelter barrier (min.256 refers) as this work had still not been carried out Cllr.Bater suggested that as the barrier material would still be available, that another person carry out the installation. Clerk to ascertain if a Councillor could do the work.

289. Belvedere (min.257 refers) date for meeting with Mr.Balsdon still to be arranged.

290. War Horse footpath sign (min.259 refers) Clerk had downloaded and partially completed the TAP fund application form. Cllr.Bater to complete the form, arrange for Iddesleigh Parish Council to sign, and then submit to WDBC.

291. Mosaic location (min.260 refers) Cllr.Gilbert produced sketch for suggested repositioning of mosaic. Cllr.Winser reported that Mr.M.Cole preferred the trees to be removed from this site. Clerk to contact WDBC Tree Officer again on the matter.

292. Trees Millennium Square (min.262 refers) meeting with Top Cut still to be arranged.

293. Xmas lights (min.263 refers)

a) Clerk had received further certificate from Western Power showing the correct connection reference. Cllr.Gilbert would now obtain invoice for electricity used.

b) Clerk reported receipt of following moneys for xmas light funds:

• Hatherleigh Carnival Committee	£ 50.00
• Hatherleigh Rotary Club	£ 30.00
• Hatherleigh Moor Management	£ 2254.44
• Shops xmas collection boxes	£ 142.25
• Xmas eve celebrations	£ 98.21

294. Festival Committee (min.264 refers) Cllr.Tyson reported on the festival events and times. Toilets would need to be open until 8pm on Thursday 23rd July, until midnight on Fri.24th and Sat.25th July. Resolved that Clerk write to Mr.Leahy and ascertain if he was willing to take on extra duties.

295. Parking restrictions meeting Tuesday 3rd Feb (min.267 refers) Clerk would send out e.mail reminders to all those invited to attend.

296. Free parking WDBC (min.268 refers) Clerk had e.mailed all Councillors with information from WDBC as to amounts collected in the car park. This information would be discussed at meeting on 3rd Feb.

297. Snow Warden (min.269 refers) Cllr.Tyson had received no volunteers for this position.

298. Xmas Celebrations (min.270 refers) moneys received confirmed in min. no.293. Councillors reported that the event had drawn the biggest crowd for a number of years.

299. Community Capacity Building project (min.271 refers) Clerk will send out reminders of this presentation with the Feb.agenda.

300. West Devon Our Plan (min.275 refers) Cllr.Tyson provided copy of her response to WDBC on behalf of the Council for record purposes (attached to these minutes)

302. Stile/fence Community Centre (min.279 refers) Cllr.Winser to obtain definitive answer as to whether this area is an official right of way. A decision would then have to be made by the Community Centre and not the Town Council.

PLANNING MATTERS

303. Applications to consider:-

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| a) Mr.R.Bevis | Bumblebee Barn | Conv.of workshop to domestic kitchen
<i>(Cllr.Trenaman declared a personal interest in the matter and took no part in the discussion/decision)</i>
Council supported the application |
| b) Mr.A.D.Croom | Lower Upcott Farm | COU agric.barn to dwelling (class C3)
<i>(Cllr.Trenaman declared a personal interest in the matter and took no part in the discussion/decision)</i>
Council took a neutral view on the app. |
| c) Mr.A.Norman | Land adj.Edgemoor
Runnon Moor Lane | OUT. 3 dwellings
<i>(Cllrs.Trenaman and Bater declared personal interests-took no part in discussion/decision)</i> |

Council did not support the application and made the following supporting comments:-

- a) consider 3 dwellings to be overcrowding of the site
- b) Runnon Moor Lane is unsuitable for any increase in traffic, being a single track road, exiting directly onto the A3072 with poor visibility
- c) consider there would be safety issues concerning the National Cycle Track
- d) concerns that mature trees would be threatened

304. Permissions granted-

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| a) Grundon/Keenor | 7 Morris Close | 1st floor extension |
| b) Miss S.Vick | Brooks Moorhead | alts. to roof & assoc.works to extension |

305. Refusals advised:-

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| a) Mr.I.Balsdon | Reed House | Agric.workers dwelling |
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FINANCIAL MATTERS

306. The Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

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| a) Mrs.Leahy | toilets/bus shelter | £312.00 |
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b) Mr. Leahy	toilets carnival night	£ 50.00
c) Mrs.R.Lock	wages	£154.60
d) Mrs.R.Lock	expenses	£ 14.70
e) Cornwall Farmers	xmas lights	£ 25.46
f) Nat.Allot.Assoc.	membership15/16	£ 66.00
g) Vicks	carol sheets	£ 15.00
h) Ancestry.co.uk	membership WW1 Comm.	£107.50
i) D.A.Palmer	replacement chqUkuele bashers	£ 75.00
j) R.Gill	xmas tree	£ 50.00
k) Hath.Comm Centre	hire	£ 16.40

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

307. Moneys received:-

a) Hatherleigh Rotary Club	xmas lights donation	£ 30.00
b) Hatherleigh Carnival Comm	xmas lights donation	£ 50.00
c) Hatherleigh Moor Mang.	xmas lights donation	£ 2254.44
d) Xmas collection boxes		£ 142.25
e) Xmas eve collection		£ 98.21

308. Precept setting :-

- a) Prior to the setting of the precept, the Clerk stated that she had received no pay rise since 2008 and therefore felt that before setting the precept the Councillors may like to discuss a pay rise. In order for Councillors to discuss the matter, the Clerk left the room. (The Clerk returned to the room) Councillors resolved that the Clerks monthly office allowance be increased by £30.00 per month - thus making a monthly allowance of £40.00. The Clerk thanked the Council.
- b) Councillors discussed the setting of the precept, with upto date figures on the balance in the current account. It was proposed by Cllr. Trenaman seconded by Cllr.Winser that the precept be increased by £1,000 thus making a total of £24,000 (twenty four thousand pounds) made up as to £22,086 precept and £1914 council support grant. All agreed. Clerk to submit forms to WDBC. This increase would result in a Band D parish rate of £39.38 an increase of £1.75 per year.

MAINTENANCE/TRAFFIC ISSUES

309 Cllr.Bater informed the council that he had reported pot holes on the A3072 by Dev Track, also sending photos.

310. Cllr.Winser reported:

- a) drain outside no. 28 Market St. was completely blocked. Clerk to report
- b) Parking in Park Road by taxis was becoming an issue - preventing delivery vehicles from gaining access. Resolved that this matter form part of discussions at the meeting on 3rd February.

311. Cllrs.Winser and Tyson agreed to clean the "Hatherleigh" sign on the A3072 which was originally put in place by Hatherleigh businesses.

RUNNON MOOR DOG POO BIN

312. Resolved that the Council would await the outcome of the planning application at Edgemoor before deciding on the siting of a new dog bin.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

313. Dist. Cllr.Hall reported that resurfacing and ancillary works were still scheduled to be carried out in March. WDBC had reported a costing of £4,500 to widen the entrances to the car park to enable coaches to enter. Cllr.Gilbert to organise a meeting on site with Cathy Aubertin from WDBC to try and take the matter forward.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

314. Cllr.Tyson:-

- a) Festival Committee - the website was now up and running. A profit of £700 had been raised from the 60s evening.
- b) Destination Okehampton - she had supplied all councillors with notes of the meeting

CORRESPONDENCE

315. WDBC Mayoral wards nominations papers sent. Agenda item next meeting.

316. Northam Town Council - Burns night supper party - handed to Cllr.Gilbert

317. Barnstaple Town Council - mayor's march party - handed to Cllr.Gilbert

318. Bideford Town council - mayors ball 13th Feb. Cllr.Gilbert had already accepted invitation at a cost of £30 per ticket. Clerk to inform Bideford Town Council that cheque will follow

319. Hatherleigh Festival - road closure applied for Sat25th July

320. Crime and disorder figures in reading file for information

321. Hatherleigh Council website - following a further request from a private business, it was resolved that the town council website should display no commercial material.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

322. Clerk reported that in the reading file were photocopies of interesting articles as follows:-

- timetable for elections
- the future for parish and town councils
- article on neighbourhood planning

323. Cllr.Trenaman reported complaint from a resident that there were no xmas lights at Moor View.

324. Date of next meeting Tuesday 10th February 2015

There being no further business, the chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9pm.

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