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The Annual Parish Meeting took place at the Community Centre at 6.30pm, three members of the public attended and were offered the opportunity to speak. The Mayor then gave his annual review, thanking all the Councillors and Rosemary Lock (Town Clerk) for their support and hard work over the past year, he then stepped down as Mayor.

#### The Town Council AGM followed.

The Councillors were duly elected and the position of Mayor has now been filled by Clare Tyson, Rachel Laycock was elected as Deputy; the election of Councillors to town committees also took place.

## **Queen's Birthday Celebration**

The Council agreed to donate £200 to the Carnival Committee to help them with their Queen's birthday celebration event on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June. This will take the form of a bring and share tea in the Square, with the Town Band in attendance. On the morning of the 11<sup>th</sup> the new time capsule purchased by the Council will be reburied near the restored mosaic at 11am, everyone is welcome to attend.

#### **Public Meeting**

Hopefully by the time you read this in your Parish Pump you will have attended the meeting re the parking in Hatherleigh and have put all of your questions to the relevant bodies about how we will proceed as a town with our parking issues. If the Pump arrives before Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>, please come to the meeting in the Community Centre at 7pm it is important in the process of seeking a Traffic Parking Order.

# **Town Clear Up**

There will be a town clear up on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June, meeting 10.30 am at Island Park, all are invited to help, we will supply black bags, however it might be worthwhile wearing gloves and boots for those really messy areas! Look out for areas that need attention.

## **Sunday Rover**

The Sunday Rover to Exeter from Okehampton Station has started for the summer, the departure time is 09.55am every Sunday until the 11<sup>th</sup> Sept, for further information contact 01837 55667 or see Hatherleigh Town Council website for the information leaflet.

## Footpath to the sports field

The Town Council is acutely aware of the danger of the footpath to the sports field. We have notified Devon County Council about the narrow pavement, the more people that email Devon County Council to complain the higher the chance that something will be done. Contact csc.roads@devon.gov.uk

#### **Town Clock**

The town clock in the Post office is to be removed and placed in the Community Centre.

#### **Bank Closure**

A letter has been sent to Mel Stride to express our concerns about the closure of the Nat West bank and the repercussions it will have on the town.

#### **Sandbags**

A reminder that if you need sandbags it is a case of fill your own. Bags can be picked up from the

Community Centre office between the hours 9-12 each weekday morning, someone will direct you to the sand available Emergency contact numbers are Cllr Gilbert 07886 349321 or Roger Lapthorn 07929795997.

# **Community Walk**

Don't forget the Community Walk Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May (Bank Holiday Monday) between Hatherleigh and Iddesleigh, on the War Horse Way, meeting 10.30 am in the square. This can include a visit to the War Horse Museum, a cream tea, lunch at the local pubs or both if you feel that way inclined. Hopefully there will be a synchronised start from Iddesleigh and there could be a shuttle bus operating if people can't make the return journey. Contact number for more info is 01837 810310.

At present we have TWO VACANCIES on the Town Council, if anybody is interested please contact the Town Clerk and she can tell you what to do, it is interesting, rewarding and funny at times!

Any points that you would like to raise with the Town Council please contact Rosemary Lock our Town Clerk either directly on 01805 804254 or grannylockrocks@gmail.com you can also contact us via the town council website www.hatherleightowncouncil.org

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 7pm at the Community Centre.

Cllr Laycock