HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 9th February 2016

PCSO Marcus Jarvis and PC Dave Pickles called in to give us an update. From April Marcus will become a new Police and Fire Community Support Officer who will be stationed in Hatherleigh. In effect this means Hatherleigh will have its own PCSO who will be on hand to deal with issues as they arise.

The War Horse sign in the Square is almost up and may well be by the time this is in print. Plans are being discussed with Iddesleigh to have a mass opening walk with people starting from their own town/village and finishing with refreshments in the War Horse Way Museum. This will be around May Bank holiday, details to follow.

Work is continuing on the flowerbed mosaic which involves the temporary removal of the time capsule placed there in 2002 with help from the primary school children. The container is very corroded and the replacement tube is a bit larger prompting comments that it could be added to.

The bad state of some of the brick paving in the Square has been reported to West Devon Borough Council and awaiting repair.

The future management of the Sportsfield Committee was again up for discussion. The Council said it would be willing to manage the area if the charity status was removed. The Sportsfield Committee will now look into the process of this.

The poor state of the path to the Sportsfield remains an issue despite repeated requests for it to be cleared. It appears it is not considered enough of a hazard! To help report this and other road related problems, follow this link https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/

It has again been noted that some areas of town have been weeded by residents. The Council would like to pass on its thanks to the people that are doing this. The weed situation will continue to be monitored.

Four planning applications were considered this month.

Following on from the traffic survey plans are being discussed for a public meeting to take place in late April. Invitations will go out to various authorities, service providers, and councillors who can help with finding the best solution to the problems. It is hoped this will be well attended by all parties and residents so questions can be answered and the problem fully appreciated by the powers that be.

It was reported that there is a reserve of sandbags available from West Devon Borough Council. These can be delivered by the Locality Team if requested.

And finally a reminder that on Sunday 28th February the Mid-Devon Cycling Club is organising 3 cycle races here in Hatherleigh with the Headquarters at The Old School Rooms. The races are for Elite, 1st and 2nd Category riders; 3rd and 4th Category riders and for Women. They will race over 53,42 and 30 miles respectively. Starting at 10am and finishing approx 11.40 through to 12.15.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 8th March at 7pm. Full minutes of the meetings are available on the notice board at Millennium Square or on the Town Council website. If you have any points that you would like to raise with the Town Council, please contact Rosemary Lock, the Town Clerk, either directly on 01805 804254 or grannylockrocks@gmail.com or contact us via the Town Council website gww.hatherleightowncouncil.org

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