

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held Tuesday 14th November 2017 7pm Community Centre

Present: Cllr.Tyson in the chair, Cllrs.Gladstone, Laycock, Kimber, Laing-Trengove, Back, Trenaman. Bailey. Dist.Cllr.Kimber, The Clerk, 1 member of public

Apologies: None

PUBLIC SESSION

Mr.S.Farley (Volunteer Community Road Warden) spoke on Chapter 8 Training and CCTV at Island Park

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

190. The minutes of the meeting held 10th October 2017, having been duly circulated were signed by the Chairman as being a true and correct record. Proposed Cllr.Laycock seconded Cllr.Trenaman. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

191. Car park working group (min.154 refers) awaiting further information from WDBC. Dist.Cllr.Kimber to follow matter up.

192. Mr.Farley Chapter 8 training (min.155 refers) Mr. Farley reported in the public session as follows:-

- now Chapter 8 trained and can set up small road/lane closures and can have 1 other person working with him. He is covered by DCC insurance
- Can work on A roads
- Can repair potholes but could not carry out "hotworks"
- Willing to cover areas such as weed cleaning (spraying insurance to be ascertained), cleaning signs, emergency drainage work.

193. Concrete picnic tables/boxseats Island Park (min.156 refers) Cllr.Tyson reported that the anti-graffiti sealer had been applied to the picnic furniture.

194. Devon Air Ambulance night landing site (min.157 refers) Cllr.Back reported that Mr.Tidball had said that unless the work was completed before end of March, then the project would have to be delayed until after September (finish of the cricket season). Various fund raising ideas had been put forward to cover the project.

195. Jubilee footpath (min.159 refers) Clerk to send to Cllr.Trenaman further paperwork for Mr.Edwards to complete regarding his work on the footpath.

196. Okehampton Rail (min.161 refers) It was resolved that it would not be cost effective to hire the mini bus from the Okehampton District Community Transport Group (cost £120 collected £45 in fares) for any future organised rail trips, but council/residents could use private taxis. Cllr.Gladstone would inform Okehampton Rail of this.

197. Blocked drains (min.162 refers) the drains/gullies around the town had been cleared.

198. Road signs (min.164 refers) Cllr.Back would clean further signs at a future date with Cllr.Bailey supplying the detergent cleaner.

199. Recycling banks in car park (min.166 refers) Dist.Cllr.Kimber reported that “no fly tipping” signs were not available but WDBC would monitor the situation.

200. One Council merger (min.167 refers) WDBC had voted against the merger with South Hams.

201. By-pass road sign (min.176 refers) Cllr.Laycock reported that this had been repaired.

202. Tree Sanctuary Lane (min.177 refers) resolved that Clerk advise Darryl Jagger DCC that this tree was dangerous as it was damaging lorries using the lane.

203. Hedge by Electricity House (min.179b refers) this had not been cut . Clerk to report again.

204. Dead tree in car park (min.179c refers) Clerk to report again to WDBC as it had still not been removed.

205. Church Lane light restriction (min.179e refers) Cllr.Laycock reported that the matter had been resolved.

206. New Street lights (min.179f refers) Councillors reported that members of the public did not like the new street lights. There was concern that the xmas lights could not be put up by 4th December, but it was resolved that late night shopping would still go ahead on Monday 4th December, as the xmas tree lights in the Square were not affected.

207. CCTV Island Park (min.180 refers) following Mr.Farleys written quotation and information given in the public session, it was resolved that the matter of installing CCTV at Island Park would be left in abeyance.

208. Hatherleigh School capacity (min.186a refers) Cllr.Tyson reported that as at autumn term 2017 school had 26 pupils in reception (limit 30) & 190 in the school (limit 210) Policy options are available to change catchment area if school reached full capacity.

209. Skatepark funds (min.186b refers) Clerk confirmed that balance of £919.85 remained in the skatepark project fund.

210. December meeting (min.188 refers) Clerk confirmed booking for Community centre for 5th December and Cllr.Tyson had booked xmas buffet at Tally Ho! - cost £80.00

COUNCILLOR'S RESIGNATION/COUNCIL VACANCIES

211. Cllr.Kingstone had tendered his resignation. Resolved that Clerk contact WDBC and display the appropriate notices advertising the vacancy. We now have 2 seats available on the council.

PLANNING MATTERS

212. Applications to consider:-

a) Mr.Barkwell	Bank House	cou to band rehearsal/storage room/friendly work hubs <i>Council supported the application</i>
b) Mr.Moyse	Hole Park	installation of solar panels on disused tennis court <i>Council supported the application</i>

213. Applications granted:-

a) Dr. J. Maxwell	Kerswell	Alterations to barn to tourist accommodation
b) Hatherleigh Cricket Club	Club House	Extensions to club house

214. Refusals advised: None

215. Hatherleigh Market Working group – Cllr.Tyson gave a resume of meetings/subsequent emails/ telephone conversations on this matter. She thanked Dist.Cllr.Kimber for helping to facilitate discussions. Main points to arise as follows:-

- Letter to be sent to Mr.G.Vick to ascertain if one of the large market buildings would be available for the month of March 2018 for use by fur/feather and indoor market stalls.
- Cllrs.Tyson and Bailey to liaise with Ruby Country (Ruby Market) to ascertain the exact details of their insurance and how exactly they would wish to be involved in the running of the market.
- All agreed that in principle the Town Council should facilitate the future use of the market. However there were many aspects of its operation that needed much further consideration.
- Some Councillors felt that we need to delegate to other organisations the running of future markets as we as a council had no expertise on the matter.
- Cllr.Tyson reported on a further telephone conversation with Kingswood Homes that they wanted to create “a hub” and that the present market needed to change and they wanted to encourage young families to buy into Hatherleigh.
- A further meeting with Kingswood Homes was needed.

216. Any other planning matters:-

- a) J.Newman, barn conversion at Kings Field Wingate Lane had been allowed on appeal.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

217. Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

a) Mrs.Rewse	toilets 10.10 – 14.11 2017 }	£262.50	
	carnival clean of toilets }	£ 50.00	£ 312.50
b) Mrs.R.Lock	wages		£ 154.60
c) Mrs.R.Lock	expenses		£ 46.70
d) WDBC	litter bin emptying Island Park		£ 249.60
e) Ms.C.Tyson	anti-graffiti sealer reimbursement		£ 133.08
f) Hatherleigh Centre	hire		£ 32.80
g) WDBC	30% contribution running costs toilets		£1326.43
h) Hatherleigh His.Soc	balance due (cheq.no 2544 cancelled)		£ 791.47***
i) Royal British Legion	poppy wreath		£ 17.00
j) Soc.Local Co.Clerks	membership renewal		£ 67.00

Proposed Cllr.Kimber seconded Cllr.Bailey that the above accounts be paid. Cllrs.Laing-Trengove and Laycock signed the cheques.

***Hatherleigh History Society replacement for cheque no 2544 for sum of £1317.16. Min. no 136a to be amended to read “this showed a balance due to History Society of £791.47”

218. Moneys received: none

219. Future banking – Clerk is in contact with Winkleigh, Dolton, Roborough parish councils on the whole question of on line banking for councils and will report back at a future meeting.

220. Any other financial matters:-

- a) Clerk provided Cllr.Tyson with financial resume relating to the skatepark project which showed a balance in hand of £919.85.

TRAFFIC/MAINTENANCE ISSUES

221. Cole Landscapes – request to apply organic manure to two flower beds in front of school (no extra cost involved). All agreed. Clerk to inform Mr.Cole.

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222. Cllr.Laycock – seat outside school broken. Resolved that Cllr.Bailey obtain repair quote from Mr.M. Wonnacott.

223. Cllr.Tyson – reported that ladies toilet door is faulty. Cllr.Bailey to check.

224. Cllr.Gladstone – will continue to report potholes.

XMAS CELEBRATIONS

225. Cllr.Tyson reported on Monday 4th December late night shopping/lights switch on at 7.30pm

- as reported elsewhere in minutes event will go ahead as scheduled even if all xmas street lights are not installed
- posters printed
- Hatherleigh band booked
- Carnival queen to switch on lights
- Cllr.Laing-Trengove would distribute collection boxes to all shops

226. Cllr.Tyson reported on Xmas Eve celebrations as follows:-

- Hatherleigh band booked
- Old Schools booked
- Mr.R.Tidball would organise the mulled cider. Mince pies to be ordered
- Cllr.Trenaman to organise carol sheets and liaise with Rev.Hansford

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPT

227. Dist.Cllr.Kimber reported as follows:-

- following the “no merger vote” with South Hams, all joint working had been suspended between the councils
- members of public had expressed what a good condition the toilets were in

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

228. Cllrs.Laycock, Back and Gladstone – Moor Management Committee – AGM 29th November.

229. Cllr.Kimber – Community Centre – arranging a tribute band dance next March. Tree ring cabinet was now displayed at the centre.

230. Cllr.Laing-Trengove

a) DCC Highways – update on road warden schemes and other highway matters

b) DCC Footpaths – definitive maps now updated. Devon Access Forum were having new monthly meetings and were looking for new committee members. Cllr.Laing-Trengove had expressed an interest in becoming a tree warden.

CORRESPONDENCE

231. Torrington and Barnstaple invitations for Cllr.Tyson.

232. K.Robertson – Mid Devon Cycling Club races on Sunday 25th Feb.2018 starting at 10.30 and 10.35 hours finishing approximately 12.30 and 13.00 hours. Race headquarters to be in Community Centre.

233. Super Links meeting Monday 11th December at Meldon – details handed to Cllr.Tyson.

234. CPRE would like local councils to join. Information in reading file for discussion at next meeting.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

235. Cllr.Tyson reported she had attended the School Town Crier competition and been a judge for the Carnival window/houses dressing competition.

236. Date of next meeting Tuesday 5th December 7pm

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 10.15pm

Signed.....chair.....dated

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