HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from last meeting March 14th 2017 Next meeting April 11th

For more information see our website http://www.hatherleightowncouncil.org/

Your 8 Councillors are Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Ian Trenaman, Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Keith Kingstone, Ben Bailey.

*Ross Wolverson has withdrawn his application to join the Town Council. He has never been a Councillor in Hatherleigh despite what recent Liberal Democrat literature is stating!

This month we welcome Ben Bailey, co-opted as new Councillor. THERE ARE STILL TWO MORE VACANCIES AVAILABLE; APPLY TO THE CLERK FOR MORE INFORMATION.

The **old Town Clock** from the old Post Office is undergoing some restoration work, and it hasn't been decided yet where its new home will be.

Island Park: A discussion took place following a Skatepark Group meeting on the purchase of concrete picnic tables and benches, on the most suitable and cost effective way to get these bought and installed. New ideas were considered and further quotes are being sought. The annual safety inspection has also taken place on the 3 play areas and no major issues reported.

Local artist Helen Cosgrove supplied an art sample of the design she would use to update the Hatherleigh information map for the bus shelter beside the Coop. It was agreed she proceed.

The Community Centre have been given the four remaining cycle racks and they have kindly rehomed the Hatherleigh Project board from the Coop wall – the frame now serves as the new larger notice board.

The Joint Local Plan 2nd consultation phase is now live. For Hatherleigh this means a new settlement boundary and a proposal of 50 more houses for Hatherleigh (on top of the 106 for the market) and employment space for an area beyond Moor View on Holsworthy Road. The link to view the full Plan is here https://plymswdevonplan.co.uk/policy?areas=westdevon Details are also on our website. What do people think about this? How will this impact on the towns' infrastructure, especially the primary school? Have your views changed since the Community Plan consultation? If you have views either way let your local Councillors know. One planning application was discussed on a new picture framing business in Bridge St, the Council were please to see a new venture in town.

Complaints were received about the junction at Hannaborough Lane and the fact that visitors to the nursing home are obstructing farm traffic by parking on the road which is too narrow to park and allow large vehicles through. This will be reported to DCC Highways as a safety issue.

A complaint has also been received about dog mess on the industrial estate. Please can owners of dogs clear up after them!

An update was given on the Sportsfield Committee and the difficulties they continue to face in light of not finding new trustees and not being able to take steps to close the charity and transfer their assets. Legal advice in a different direction is being sought.

Correspondence was received about a Dartmoor Park project called Moor Otters. This would involve 100 otter sculptures placed around the region and would boost visitor numbers as they follow the 'trail'. The Council agreed to support this in conjunction with local business support.

At a recent Northern Parish Link meeting information was provided on a scheme to find 'Energy Saving Champions' to help promote and encourage people in their communities to switch energy tariffs and manage fuel debt to reduce fuel poverty. If you are interested in becoming a Champion please get in touch for details.

Finally, could we ask that any groups or individuals who display notices on the notice boards or lamp posts to please remove them once the event is over.

A full account of the meetings are available in the minutes, these are available on the notice board at Millennium Square or on the Town Council website at <u>http://www.hatherleightowncouncil.org/</u>

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