

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from last meeting
October 10th 2017.
Next meeting November 14th

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<http://www.hatherleightowncouncil.org/>

Your 9 Councillors are Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Ian Trenaman, Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Keith Kingstone, Ben Bailey, Andrea Kimber.

WE STILL HAVE ONE VACANCY!

Car Park: We are continuing with our attempts to negotiate with WDBC for a free car park. Following a working group meeting we have compiled a strategy which will be sent to WDBC and request a follow-up meeting.

Road Warden: We are delighted to announce that Hatherleigh now has its own volunteer Community Road Warden, Stefan Farley. This will enable our community to carry out minor works which Devon County Council are no longer able to resource and do not have a legal responsibility to carry out. As a volunteer Mr Farley will of course need help with certain tasks so we appeal to anyone who is able to offer help to contact us.

Snow Warden: As winter approaches we are in need of a Snow Warden, this is a voluntary position and would provide an important service to the community. If anyone is interested, please contact our Clerk who can provide a full job description and answer any questions you may have.

Grit Bins: please also check the Grit Bins in your vicinity and report to us any bins that need topping up. We have been notified that the Grit bins will not get automatically filled.

Weeds/Leaves: The Town Council again wishes to thank all those residents who take the time to keep the street and areas that border their property tidy and weed free. It probably goes without saying but this also includes the sweeping of leaves now that Autumn approaches. Your support here is very much appreciated.

Trees/hedges: A number of overgrown trees and hedges were discussed and the relevant people/authorities will be requested to act. The dead tree in the car park will once again be reported to WDBC.

Fly-tipping: It has also been noted that fly-tipping around the recycle banks seems to be continuing. Fly-tipping is criminal act and a blight on our streets. Please report it if you witness it happening. This is a good opportunity to mention that West Devon Borough Council has an online reporting page for issues such as this, and dog fouling, abandoned vehicles, recycle bank emptying, stray animals, full litter bins etc. The link is <https://apps.westdevon.gov.uk/webreportit>

Parking: Following our submission to Devon County Council of our map listing the traffic and parking issues we were given the opportunity to have a small quantity of items included in their current round of Traffic Orders 2017. We took advantage of this rather than wait for all our issues to be addressed at once. Last chance consultation posters have been displayed around town and the Town Council are unaware of any objections. The Orders can be viewed online at www.devon.gov.uk/trafficorderssearch.htm. We will be following up all further requests in the next round of Traffic Order's in 2018.

Streetlamps: We have been notified that SSE contractors will be carrying out work to replace all the street lamp posts along Bridge St and Market St. This will take approx one month. The posts and lights will be changed in what may seem an odd sequence, be patient, two crews have different responsibilities for this activity. Thanks to ex-mayor Andy Gilbert for help liaising with this.

Market Plans: You will be aware that Kingswood Homes are progressing with their plans to develop the market site and they recently held a consultation event which was well attended by the public. The plan is available on their website www.kingswoodhomes.uk.com/pages/future-developments.php With the prospect of this development now becoming a reality the Town Council have decided to form a working group to look at and help work through any issues this

transition will bring. We will also look at options for the markets future management.

CCTV Island Park: This was discussed in light of a couple of incidents at Island Park. No decision was reached and Councillors are requesting further information.

West Devon Councillor Patrick Kimber reported that merger talks are continuing with South Hams; an air broadband scheme will become operational; another section of the Tarka Trail near Meeth has been approved.

Space is short here. 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 <http://www.hatherleightcouncil.org/>

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