



**HATHERLEIGH TOWN  
COUNCIL**  
**Notes from last meeting**  
**Jan 17<sup>th</sup> 2017**  
**Next meeting Feb 14<sup>th</sup>**

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

Your 6 Councillors are  
Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy),  
Ian Trenaman, Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone,  
Peter Back.

Two expressions of interest were made for positions  
on the Council. More information on this next month.

**THERE ARE TWO FURTHER VACANCIES AVAILABLE;  
APPLY TO THE CLERK FOR MORE INFORMATION.**  
**We would like to encourage anyone who has an  
interest in helping with the practical aspects of  
managing the town, or who sees opportunities to  
develop projects or ideas, or who simply wants to  
represent the views of their generation or interest  
group. The minimum time commitment is to attend a  
meeting once a month, of course there are other  
roles to get stuck into if your time allows. This is a  
voluntary role but it is very rewarding and  
interesting engaging with different aspects and  
people within the community of Hatherleigh. This  
engagement extends to other communities and  
different levels of councils. Please visit the website  
and read through past minutes and notes to gain  
more insight.**

Our application to Devon County Councillors James  
McInnes' Locality Grant to help with costs for  
installing cycle racks has been successful. We will  
receive £800 and will therefore follow up with the  
company offering the most reasonable quote. We will  
also look into the possibility of securing further help  
towards the costs.

The Council would like to extend its thanks to  
everyone who has donated towards the Christmas  
lights fund, particularly to the Tally ho! The collection  
boxes reached £213. And a special big thanks also to  
the Carnival Committee for their generous donation.

The gradient and surface of Jubilee footpath are still a  
matter for concern and we are looking at options on  
how to resolve the matter.

Councillors discussed the setting of the precept with  
up to date figures from the Council account. It was  
agreed that the precept could remain the current rate  
due to a healthy bank balance and no large projects  
being predicted this year.

Councillors also discussed the need for a review of the  
toilet cleaning arrangement. We are therefore  
advertising the position and inviting anyone  
interested in the role to contact the clerk for more  
details. We have still not being informed by West  
Devon Borough Council whether the toilet block is  
considered worthy of a revamp.

The clerk reported that a resident has expressed  
interest in becoming our Community Warden in DCC  
Self Help scheme. This is welcome news and he will be  
of great benefit to the community.

The clerk also reported there are now 1,353 residents  
in the Parish on the electoral role.

**PARKING:** We still await official news from West  
Devon Borough Council on its Asset Review and  
decision on the car park, though we reiterated to  
WDBC Cllr Kimber the need for a long-term lease. The  
Council feel very strongly that any short term trial will  
simply not work as it is difficult to change people's  
habits unless they are forced to do so. Creating the  
provision of a free car park must go in hand with any  
parking restrictions. The clerk having chased Devon  
County Council's promise of assigning us with a  
Highways Officer to investigate what type of  
restrictions are viable, has now been told we may not  
be assigned one until after April 2017!

The Council have been contacted by a youngster who  
uses the skate park to request that a light be erected  
in the area to enable longer use of the park in the  
short winter days. The Council were sympathetic to  
the need and have noted the request.

The Mayor reported on a very special occasion she  
was invited to attend at Nethercott House, Iddesleigh.  
The Farms For City Children charity is celebrating its  
40<sup>th</sup> anniversary and its patron HRH Princess Anne  
flew in for a visit. The Mayor was presented in the line  
up to meet the Princess Royal and learnt about the  
valuable work and the people involved in the charity.

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.hatherleightowncouncil.org/>

**Correspondence to the Council should be addressed  
to the Clerk and for inclusion at a meeting be  
received 4 days prior to the meeting date.  
Correspondence received after that date will be  
considered at the following meeting.**

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