

## HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from last meeting  
April 10<sup>th</sup> 2018  
Next meeting May 8<sup>th</sup>

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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, Ben Bailey, Andrea Kimber, Kariss Madders.

This month we welcome Kariss Madders to the council team. Following an expression of interest from Jeff Newman he too will be co-opted and join us next month.

The next meeting will be the **Council AGM on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May** at 7pm. This will be preceded by the **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING which will start at 6.30pm**. The Parish meeting is separate from the Council meeting and is relatively informal. This is an opportunity to share your views to the Council on community issues.

### Market plans update:

The Tuesday market has a positive buzz in the air now the fur and feather auction has moved into the large sheep shed in the lower section next to the indoor market.

Ruby Country have now taken on managing the market stalls, and have turned the offices into pop-up shops. Refreshments are onsite and also at the Old Schools & Methodist Church coffee mornings, and town café.

Kingswood Homes are keen to ensure the market continues. KH have not yet submitted their planning application. When they do there will be further opportunities to submit your comments.

Two Councillors went along to the Kingswood Homes pre-launch of a housing development at Newton St-Cyres. They found it very informative meeting different members of KH. They came away with a good impression of the quality standards of this company.

**Air Ambulance night landing site:** Plans are proceeding following a meeting with the Football club and DAAT representative. Site surveys are now awaited.

**The 'Royal Oke' special train excursion** organised by OkeRail is at time of writing in full swing. Following newspaper articles, posters around town and facebook hopefully most people have been notified of the trip to Oxford / Stratford on 21<sup>st</sup> April. A Hatherleigh bus is organised to link to the train kindly subsidised by OkeRail. We understand more trips are planned later in the year. If you are interested in these 'specials' visit the Ruby Visitor Centre in Market St and leave your contact details so we can inform you of future excursions. These events are crucial in maintaining the pressure for the re-instatement of the Northern Line.

**Maintenance issues:** The replacement of two bins was discussed; the broken bin by the school gate will be reported to WDBC and a litter bin to replace the dog bin at Claremont will proceed.

**DOG MESS:** There have been a number of incidents around town. Can we remind dog owners to clear up after their dog and be aware that any litter bin can be used for disposal!

**Pot holes:** a reminder that pot holes and other highway issues can be reported online directly to Devon County Council using their 'REPORT A PROBLEM' website. This is a straightforward system and easy to use.

**The remaining quote** was received regarding the pollarding works to the trees lining the road at the cricket field. Due to the large expense this would cost the Town Council it is agreed that as these trees are the responsibility of DCC we will not take on this maintenance.

**We are still investigating** the possibility of siting a bench and dog bin on the Ruby Trail at Runnon Moor and are awaiting information. Ownership of the area needs to be ascertained.

**Streetlamps and hanging baskets:** Residents should be aware that there are still a few streetlamps yet to be replaced. It was agreed that new brackets should be purchased and fitted to fit the new columns ready to receive this year's flower baskets.

**Ruby Run:** it was reported that due to lack of volunteers this has been postponed until further notice. If you can offer your time and help to this committee please contact Hatherleigh Visitor Centre.

**Graveyard burial fees** have been reviewed and increased, these are published on our website.

**Don't forget: Annual Parish Meeting, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 6.30pm.**  
*An opportunity to share your views to the Council on community issues, or just come and say hello!*

**Space is short here. A full account of meetings are available in the minutes, these are available on the notice board at Millennium Square or the Town Council website at**  
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