

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD TUESDAY 10TH JULY 2018 7.00pm

Present: Cllr.Tyson in the chair, Cllrs.Laycock ,Laing-Trengove, Kimber, Back, Madders
Trenaman (8.15pm) Dist.Cllr.Kimber, the Clerk, 2 members of the public

Apologies: Cllrs. Newman, Gladstone

Declarations

of interest: Cllr.Tyson employee of WDBC

PUBLIC SESSION

Mr. & Mrs. N.Price - Ash tree rear of 32 Bridge Street

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

95. The minutes of the meeting held 12th June 2018, having been duly circulated were signed by the Chairman as being a true and correct record. Proposed Cllr.Madders seconded Cllr.Back. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

96. Devon Air Ambulance (min.51 refers) Cllr.Back reported quote from Mr.A.Lane to apply for planning permission of £200 plus vat. Resolved to proceed with this offer.

97. Coffee morning Old Schools (min.52a refers) £400 raised for Air Ambulance funds.

98. Litter pick (min.54 refers) Cllr.Laycock reported a successful exercise with parents, children, teachers and councillors taking part.

99. Bench Ruby Trail (min.55 refers) resolved to purchase recycled plastic 7 slat seat at £390.00 and one large litter bin at £139.00. Cllr.Laycock to ask Cllr.Gladstone to order these products.

100. Hanging baskets (min.56 refers) Cllr.Laycock reported that hanging basket at Millennium Corner had died. Resident Ros Holland had replanted. Letter of thanks to be sent.

101. Island Park zip wire (min.57 refers) Councillors to follow up further options concerning inspection/repairs for zip wire. Equipment to be monitored.

102. Railings by Post Office/Salar Gallery (min.62 refers) Cllr.Kimber awaiting quote from Mr.A.Cranleigh.

103. New graveyard sign (min.63 refers) Cllr.Laing-Trengove had received 2 new signs at cost of £40 and would arrange for them to be erected.

104. Yellow lines (min.64 refers). Update from Cllr.Tyson as follows (as per email circulated)

- loading bay opposite Post Office can be extended from 7 to 11 metres
- yellow lines opposite loading bay from PO to The George should be fitted into this round of works
- Red Lane - agreed to lining works close to junction Red Lane/Park Rd

105. Millennium Corner (min.65 refers) Cllr.Tyson reported that some residents were not happy with the bushes being removed.

106. Data protection declarations (min.67 refers) Cllrs.Tyson, Madders and Kimber had signed their declarations.

107. Clerks cheque signatory (min.75c refers) signed copy held in minute and finance files and further copy handed to the Chair.

108. Hatherleigh car park (min.77 refers) Dist.Cllr.Kimber reported that Cathy Aubertin of WDBC was on holiday.

109. Street cleaning (min.78 refers) Cllrs. reported that road sweepers had been in Hatherleigh recently. DCC reported they do not routinely treat/remove unsightly weeds or carry out street cleaning anymore. They have used the Probation Service to get people to carry out small works like this. Resolved that the weed situation is monitored.

110. Island Park replacement bark (min.81 refers) resolved that Cllr.Gladstone order 10 cubic metres of "happy landing playbark" from Playbark.com at a cost of £750.00

111. Play inspection courses (min.81 refers) Elizabeth Rose had reported:-

- she has no website but works under the umbrella of TMA.
- anybody attending a training course will receive a valid certificate
- cost would be £120. - £150 depending on numbers attending

Resolved that Clerk ask for available dates in September

112. "Welcome to Hatherleigh" sign (min.82 refers) ongoing matter.

113. Hatherleigh/Shebbear medical centres (min.87 refers) ongoing problems are being resolved.

114. Elizabeth Durrant request (min.90 refers) Cllr.Tyson confirmed that festival required the use of the graveyard.

115. OkeRail coffee morning at Old Schools (min.92 refers) Cllr.Tyson thanked Cllrs.Kimber for helping to organise the event. £206 was raised.

116. Incredible Edible planting event (min.93 refers) Cllr.Tyson reported that not everybody was happy with the idea of The Square being used for this project. However £200 had been raised by raffle/burgers.

PLANNING MATTERS

117. Applications to consider:-

a) Mr.Kops 1 Buddle Lane

COU vet.surgery to residential

Council supported the application with comment that the parking space should be at the rear of the property and not at the side - this for access purposes for cottages at the rear of High Street

b) Essworthy Estate land part of Essworthy

Erection of livestock/fodder barn

Cllr.Trenaman declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or comments.

Council supported the application

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c) Mrs.K.Scammell 2 Park Road

LBC repair to floor joists etc.

Council supported the application

118. Permissions granted:-

a) Mr Mrs.Gladstone Haven House

tree work in conservation area

b) Mr.May Lower Upcott

agric.determination - new building

119. Refusals advised: None

120. Any other planning matters:-

a) Ash tree rear of 32 Bridge St. - alleged unauthorised works near TPO tree. Decision by WDBC that there is no breach of planning regulations. Tree Officer and Planning Officer concluded that the pit will not impact on the ash tree which is approx. 6metres from the pit and not the 3metres reported. The developer of the site has been told he must ensure full compliance with the conditions of the approval and must ensure safety of the tree.

b) K.Watts - further emails received concerning planning application for Biddicombe. Resolved that Clerk reply that the Council followed standard procedures.

c) Application by Mr.C.Dumpleton to register the market site as a "community asset" WDBC had asked for any interest/comments from the Town Council. Following a discussion on the matter it was resolved that reply be sent to read as follows:- "Hatherleigh Town Council have the best interests of the future of Hatherleigh in mind when considering the application to register the market as a community asset. We would make the following comments:

a) as far as we are aware the property is not on the open market. The Design and Access Statement contained within the documents for the full planning application states "Kingswood Homes have purchased the property"

b) the registration of the market as a community asset raises many questions/problems/concerns over the future viability and sustainability of the actual market and indeed the whole of the site

123. Kingswood Homes market planning application - now validated and paperwork received.

Resolved that additional single agenda item meeting be held on Monday 23rd July 7pm. Clerk to book community centre and publish agenda.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

124. the Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

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| a) Hatherleigh Festival | grant | £ 100.00 |
| b) Hatherleigh Football Club | grant | £ 500.00 |
| c) Mrs.Rewse | toilet cleaning upto 11th Sept | £ 712.53 |
| d) Mrs.R.Lock | wages | £ 154.60 |
| e) Mrs.R.Lock | expenses | £ 48.70 |
| f) L & M Cole | grounds main. £1263.24 | |
| | Island Park £ 98.00 | £1361.24 |
| g) Hatherleigh Comm.Centre | hire | £ 16.40 |
| h) Cllr.Laing-Trengove | Mycustom sign costs | £ 40.00 |
| i) Playbark.Com | happy landing playbark | £ 749.95 |

Proposed Cllr.Laycock seconded Cllr.Kimber that the above accounts be paid. Cllrs.Trenaman and Back signed the cheques.

125. Moneys received:-

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| a) HM Customs | vat repayment | £1604.18 |
| b) Mrs.C.Munn | fund raising DAA | £ 500.00 |

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126. Any other financial matters:-

a) WDBC - no longer accept cheque payments -had returned Council cheque for £1365.24 being our 30% share of toilet costs. However Clerk returned cheque saying we had no other method of paying the account. WDBC accepted this position.

b) External Auditor PKF - Hatherleigh Town Council had been part of the 5% of councils across the country picked out for further audit information. Clerk had responded and sent all further information.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

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

- received complaints of speeding traffic
- WDBC still working on new waste collection programme

- JLP working process
- He had reported Strawbridge House as being empty and in poor condition
- District and Town council elections next year
- Asked for feedback on use by Hatherleigh residents of the Okehampton Transport Group

TRAFFIC/MAINTENANCE ISSUES

128. R.Harrison - reported via email wasp nest on Jubilee Footpath. Cllr.Laing-Trengove reported the matter had been dealt with.

129. M.Southwick - fixed penalty notices to be issued to cat owners - Clerk to forward email to DCC and WDBC.

130. Cllr.Laycock - dead tree in Island Park. Cllr.Tyson commented too close to river to fell.

131. Cllr.Trenaman - bus shelter at Moor View - reported that Mrs.Betty Willis had cleaned the bus shelter as it was often in a disgusting state. Letter of thanks to be sent. Councillors would keep an eye on the shelter. Resolved that we ask Mrs.Rewse to spend 1 hour a month cleaning the bus shelter.

132. Cllr. Madders - Toddlers playpark reported as follows:-

- gate does not close properly
- one seat "wobbly"
- condition of wooden train needs to be checked
- there is a hole in the fence
- parents had commented there was not enough play equipment for "toddlers" Suggested a fund raising group (as for the Skatepark project) be set up by parents to fund raise and take a project forward.

Cllr.Madders was informed that the Town Council own the equipment, but the Community Centre the area. She would check what repairs the Community Centre would carry out.

133. Cllr.Tyson - reported on condition of refuse area outside the vets premises. She would report to WDBC Cllr.Madders to speak to one of the residents.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

134. Cllr.Tyson - Northern Links - would circulate notes when received.

CORRESPONDENCE

135. Mayor of Northam - civic service Sunday 12th August - Cllr.Tyson unable to attend.

136. Mayor of Barnstaple - World War One events. Cllr.Tyson to reply direct.

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137. Cllr.Tyson - email received from Richard Long (Abattoir) inviting her to plant a tree for their event. Dist.Cllr.Kimber carried out this request.

138. Items of interest/future agenda items – none.

140. Date of next meeting Monday 23rd July 7pm (no August meeting).

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.50pm

Signed.....Chairman.....dated

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