

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD TUESDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2018 7.00pm IN COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Cllr.Tyson chair, Cllrs.Laycock, Gladstone, Kimber, Laing-Trengove, Back.
Dist.Cllr.Kimber, The Clerk

Apologies: Cllr.Trenaman, Mr.Newman, Mrs. Madders

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

316. The minutes of the meeting held 16th January 2018, having been duly circulated were signed by the Chairman as being a true and correct record. Proposed Cllr.Laycock seconded Cllr.Back. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

317. Car park (min.274 refers) WDBC had confirmed that they were responsible for the area of the car park, road around roundabout and road to The George. The potholes had been repaired as and where necessary within these areas. Following discussion on the future of the car park, resolved that Town Council would offer to pay to WDBC a yearly sum to compensate the revenue loss on car park charges, this figure to be based on previous years income, with WDBC retaining ownership and responsibility for maintenance. This would ensure free parking.

318. Devon Air Ambulance (min.275 refers) Cllr.Back reported that the Cricket Club were considering submitting further plans for a new clubhouse, September being the optimum date. Resolved that Cllr.Back contact Toby Russell of DAA and ask that he follows up the option of the football field for a night landing site. Cllr.Tyson reported a successful fund raising quiz night in sum of £340. Resolved that all funding raising moneys be paid to Town Council and "ring fenced".

319. P.Edwards grass cutting (min.276 refers) resolved we pay the invoice for £315 and ask if he wishes to continue with his work and we would then evaluate what was Town Council or Moor Management property.

320. Tree Sanctuary Lane (min.277 refers) Town Council had noted the letter in the Parish Pump concerning this matter.

321. Hedge Tricity House (min.2778 refers) work still not carried out. Clerk to send further email.

322. Bench by school (min.281 refers) quote still awaited for repair work.

323. CPRE (min.283 refers) resolved that Town Council would not join the CPRE.

324. Drains Red Lane/Park Road (min.284 refers) resolved that letter of thanks be sent to Mr.S.Farley for his work in this area.

325. Street light car park (min.285 refers) light now working.

326. Okehampton/GWR consultation (min.271 refer) Cllr.Tyson had submitted a response to this consultation on behalf of the Town Council, based on responses from other local councils.

327. Precept 2018/19 (min.295 refers) Clerk confirmed precept forms submitted for £25,000 (precept £23,580 and council tax support grant £1420) and receipt acknowledged.

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328. Locality budget (min.299 refers) Clerk confirmed that the sum of £800 had been received from DCC in connection with installation of cycle racks.

329. Trees by cricket field (min.301a refers) Cllr.Tyson had received a quote from Top Cut for this work in the sum of £2810.00 plus vat. Further quotes awaited However following discussion Councillors aware that these trees were the responsibility of DCC and not the Town Council, felt the trees do not warrant any large financial expenditure by the Town Council on maintenance costs.

330. War Memorial churchyard (min.304 refers) Historic England reported that the memorial would be added to the list of buildings with special architectural historic interest and would be Grade II listed.

331. Okehampton Rail (min.312 refers) coffee morning on 30th January had been well attended. Plans were in hand by Oke Rail to arrange a train from Okehampton to Oxford/Stratford upon Avon in April.

PLANNING MATTERS

332. Applications to consider:-

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| a) Mrs. S. Hall | 21 High St. | LBC replacement of rear porch
<i>Council supported the application</i> |
| b) I.Balsdon | Reed Farm | livestock building
<i>Council had concerns with regard to the proximity of shed to nearest dwelling and trust that the Council's Environmental Protection Officer will be consulted</i> |

333. Permissions granted:-

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| a) R.Barkwell | land rear of Bank | detached dwelling |
| b) N.Walker | Fishleigh Down | 2 bay garage/tractor shed |
| c) Dr.J.Maxwell | Kerswell Farm | discharge of condition 3 |
| d) Drew & Son | land adj.Leigh House | discharge of conditions 2,3, 11 |
| e) Beresford (Hancock) | Industrial estate | new unit |

334. Refusals advised: None

335. Any other planning matters:-

a) DCC - proposed application to stop up strip of land adjacent to Runnon Moor Lane. Considered verge no longer needed for public use - if stopped up verge would revert to landowners possession. Council had no comments to make.

b) Market/Kingswood Homes - Cllr.Tyson reported on working group meeting with Kingswood - copy attached to these minutes for clarification. Following further discussions it was resolved:-

- Town Council were happy for Ruby Country to administer the running of market for interim period

- Cllr.Tyson should follow up community funding opportunities
- Following request to Greater Dartmoor LEAF/LAG funding - the Town Council would be eligible but moneys must be spent by March 2019. Resolved that Cllr.Tyson ascertain if any extension of time would be available.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

336. Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

a) Mrs.Rewse	toilets 17 Jan - 13 Feb	£210.00
b) Mrs.R.Lock	wages	£154.60
c) Mrs.R.Lock	expenses	£ 43.20
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d) Hatherleigh Comm.Centre	hire	£ 16.40
e) T.Cook Ltd.	xmas light	£ 84.48
f) P.Edwards	grass cutting	£ 315.00

Proposed by Cllr.Kimber seconded Cllr.Back that the above accounts be paid. Cllrs.Laing-Trengove and Laycock signed the cheques.

337. Moneys received:-

a) WDBC	toilet grant	£1245.00
b) DCC	locality grant cycle racks	£ 800.00

338. Any other financial matters:-

- Mr.C.Lock - burial fees/exclusive rights fees - considered that fees needed updated. Resolved that Clerk ask him to email Cllr.Laing-Trengove direct on the matter.
- Okehampton & District Community Transport Group - resolved that grant of £100 be awarded.
- Clerk confirmed she was working with other council clerks on the best way forward for council banking.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

339. Cllr.Kimber reported as follows:-

- budget now set for 2018/19. Receiving government money for business rate pilot scheme.
- Okehampton office to close. No cuts for local grants for next 12 months
- Looking to raise additional £180,000 from car parking fees. Town Council considered that short term fees for 30mins should remain the same, with an increase for longer stays
- Looking at toilet transfers
- May sell Kilworthy Park.

COUNCIL VACANCIES/CO-OPTION

340. Resolved that we invite Mrs.Madders and Mr.Newman for interviews at the next meeting on Tuesday 13th March.

TRAFFIC/MAINTENANCE ISSUES

341. Hatherleigh toilets - WDBC had confirmed with Mrs.Rewse that catheter/stoma bags may be put in general waste and they could provide a "sharps box" for needles.

342. Cllr.Laycock would report to DCC the poor condition of the lane at Upcott.

WEST DEVON MAYORAL AWARDS

343. Clerk to ascertain if we could still submit a nomination tomorrow.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

344 Cllr.Kimber - Community Centre - were looking to replace all lights to LED. Parking lines repainted and other maintenance tasks completed.

345. Cllr.Laing-Trengove - met with Footpath Officer concerning "the registering of historic footpaths" All unrecorded footpaths and bridleways created before 1949 cannot be recorded after 1st Jan.2026. This "cut off date" by which to claim these historical rights of way was set in the Countryside & Rights of Way Act 2000. She had copies of the definitive map of footpaths.

346. Cllr.Back - Moor Management - nothing to report

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347. Cllr.Tyson - Festival - events booked. May fund raiser would be a "kids rave" in the Community Centre

CORRESPONDENCE

348. Holsworthy Town Council AGM and mayor's reception - Cllr.Tyson to reply

349. WDBC Mayors/Clerks meeting 20th March at Tavistock - Cllr.Tyson to reply

350. Rev.Ruth Hansford - letter received from Rev.Hansford on her leaving Hatherleigh thanking the Town Council for the work it carries out for the town.

ITEMS OF INTEREST/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

351. Cllr.Laycock - has concerns over the number of caravans that are appearing in fields around the town.

352. Cllr.Tyson - Devon Fire & Rescue service - have a new rapid intervention vehicle which will come into service early this year.

353. Okehampton Civic Dinner 2nd March - Cllrs.Tyson and Gladstone will represent the town.

354. Future agenda items - a) Ruby Run (b) new bench on Ruby Trail

355. Date of next meeting Tuesday 13th March 2018 7pm

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.20pm.

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