HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Merged notes from meetings Nov 27th and Jan 15th. Next meeting February 12th 2019

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

Your 10 Councillors are Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Ian Trenaman, Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Ben Bailey, Andrea Kimber, Kariss Madders, Jeff Newman.

Public Session (November): Caroline Munn joined us in November to give an update of her fundraising campaign for the air ambulance night landing site and to hand over monies raised. With this and the promise of further pledges, Council were delighted to hear the total will be reached.

Public Session (January): We were joined by Donna Lewis and Adam Hill to update us on their progress on seeking funding for the toddler park.

The Air Ambulance night landing site had been approved for planning permission. And after meetings with DAAT and the Football Club construction work began and we can now announce the Night landing site is completed!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERYONE INVOLVED AND WHO DONATED GENEROUS SUMS LARGE AND SMALL!!!

Public toilets: further information received from West Devon Borough Council showed that to ensure the toilets remain open incremental rises in costs would be expected over 4 years and lead to the Town Council taking full ownership. WDBC will pay transfer fees and business rates exemption is applicable at the end of that period.

Precept: A discussion on this concluded on our maintaining the precept at the current level of £25k. There will therefore only be a very slight increase to compensate for the reduction in the council support grant.

Hatherleigh Market: It was reported that the Kingswood Homes planning proposal was been revised and an amended plan is expected to be submitted. Also news that Charles Dumpleton has created a Community Interest Company called 'Hatherleigh Community Market CIC'.

Hanging Baskets: Although a little early, we are appealing for households to come forward and adopt a hanging basket to keep watered through the summer. This involves regular commitment to ensure the plants don't die. If there's a lack of interest we will not purchase them this year.

Maintenance Issues:

A dog bin and new bench has been sited at the Runnon Moor trail. And a larger bin placed at the top of town near Claremont. A new Town Council noticeboard has been ordered to replace the old one blown down in the wind. And the condition of the sheep statue, paths at Island Park, yellow lines and reinstatement of the lines after resurfacing in Bridge St were discussed.

Events: There is to be a 'Community Well Being' event at the Community Centre on January 25th 3-6pm. Organised by West Devon Voluntary Service, we will be in attendance with a number of local organisations to profile the work that goes on.

Also of interest is a Beaford Arts project asking for contributions of personal stories from people in Hatherleigh. More details on our website.

WINTER ISSUES:

In an <u>Emergency Only</u> please call Road Warden Stefan Farley on 07825 232331.

Sandbags: If residents need sandbags during bad weather they are available from the Community Centre during office hours 9-12 midday weekdays (01837 810329). Sandbags are not pre-filled and are for self-filling. Sand is available at the Community Centre.

IT APPEARS SOMEONE HAS BEEN USING THIS SAND SUPPLY NOT WHAT ITS INTENDED FOR. IF ANYONE SEES THIS SAND GETTING PILFERED PLEASE LET US KNOW!

Snow Warden: If anyone is interested in helping Stefan grit a small number of pathways in snow/ice conditions please contact our Clerk.

Grit Bins: please check Grit Bins in your vicinity and report to us any bins that need topping up. Grit bins don't get automatically filled.

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

http://www.hatherleightowncouncil.org/

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