HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from last meeting March 13th 2018 Next meeting April 10th

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Your 8 Councillors are Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Ian Trenaman, Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Ben Bailey, Andrea Kimber.

The Council agreed to co-opt Kariss Madders and she will join us next month.

Market plans update:

The Tuesday market continues as usual with the indoor stalls housed in the large sheep pen building, and the fur/feather auction temporarily using the old Natwest bank building until end of March. Ruby Country will take on managing the market stalls when Kingswood Homes take ownership. Refreshments are onsite from a catering unit and also as usual at the Old Schools & Methodist Church coffee mornings, and town café. The Council have purchased the remaining market table tops to ensure continuity for traders and auctions, these will be added to the towns asset register.

Meeting notes from the last working group are available to view on the Town Council website. 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.

Car park: The Town Council have received a breakdown of some costs associated with maintenance/repair of the car park and adjacent road infrastructure. We are now in a position to forward our proposal to WDBC suggesting they retain ownership and the Town Council compensates any revenue loss associated with car park ticketing charges.

Air Ambulance night landing site: A meeting is arranged to investigate the potential use of the football field due to issues with the cricket field. Further fund raising events are planned. Mrs Munn works in the Paper Shop and is helping collect donations. Cheques should be written out to Hatherleigh Town Council and will be 'ring-fenced'.

The OkeRail group are organising a trip to Oxford and Stratford-upon-Avon in April. The Visitor Centre in Market St is collecting contact details if you are interested in this special railway excursion.

Maintenance issues: Thanks were expressed again for the continued excellent work carried out by our Road & Snow Warden Stefan Farley, particularly during the recent bad weather and his efforts in gritting essential paths. A review of grit bins have taken place and will be topped up. Let us know if any are missed out.

WINTER ISSUES: Stefan has produced an Emergency Weather Plan, this is viewable on the Town Council website and we welcome any feedback on this.

Sandbags: If any resident requires any sandbags during bad weather these are available from Hatherleigh Community Centre between office hours 9am to 12 midday weekdays (office number is 01837 810329). Please note the sandbags are not pre-filled and are for self-filling. In an Emergency Only please call Road Warden Stefan Farley on 07825 232331. If anyone is interested in helping Stefan grit pathways in snow/ice conditions please contact our Clerk or the above number.

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.

We are investigating the possibility of siting a bench and dog bin on the Ruby Trail at Runnon Moor.

Quotes are still awaited on the decision to take on pollarding works to the trees lining the road at the cricket field. Council discussion highlighted that as these trees were the responsibility of DCC and not the Town Council, we cannot take on large costs assoc with their maintenance.

Streetlamps: Residents should be aware that their replacement is still ongoing and some are unfinished.

Churchyard War Memorial: Historic England have listed this as Grade II having a 'special architectural historic interest'.

Registering historic Footpaths: It was reported that there will be a 'cut off' date (1st January 2026) to record all unrecorded footpaths and bridleways created before 1949 on the *Definitive Rights of Way map.*

Ruby Run is in need of volunteers to help with stewarding, manning water stations, etc. If you can help in any way please contact Hatherleigh Visitor Centre.

And finally, a litter pick is to be organised over the Easter break so please look out for more details and help if you can.

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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