

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD TUESDAY 15TH JANUARY 2019
7.00pm IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Cllr.Tyson in the chair, Cllrs. Gladstone, Laycock, Kimber, Trenaman, Back, Laing-Trengove, Dist.Cllr.Kimber, the Clerk, 2 members of the public

Apologies: Cllrs.Madders, Bailey and Newman

Declarations

of interest: Cllr.Tyson - employee of WDBC

PUBLIC SESSION

Mrs.D.Lewis/Mr.A.Hill spoke on the proposed improvements to the Toddlers Play Park at the Community Centre (reported elsewhere in minutes).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

254. The minutes of the meeting held 27th November 2018, having been duly circulated were signed by the Chairman as being a true and correct record with one amendment to min. no 236d "she forwards details of any future/costs expenses for approval" Proposed Cllr.Laing-Trengove seconded Cllr.Trenaman. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

255. DAA night landing project (min.217 refers) Clerk received tender from MAT electrics for work in the sum of £7,190.39 handed to Cllr.Back for checking. Work has now been completed.

256. Dog bin on Ruby Trail (min.218 refers) Clerk to inform WDBC of the new bin to enable it to be added to the emptying schedule.

257. Island Park Zipwire (min.219) matter on going.

258. Millennium Corner (min.224 refers) tree work completed by James Balch Tree Services.

259. New noticeboard (min.226 refers) not yet erected.

260. Sand supply to Community Centre (min.228) new supply delivered.

261. Xmas Celebrations - Xmas eve celebration very well attended. Councillors felt that the event needed revamping and they would speak with the new Vicar on the matter.

262. Hatherleigh Market Community Interest Co (min.233a refers) Cllr.Tyson reported that they now had their own dedicated website.

263. Train in Play park (min.239 refers) Cllr.Tyson has fixed and repaired the loose train seat.

264. Sheep statue (min.240 refers) Cllr.Laing-Trengove reported that the sculptor would inspect the statue when in Hatherleigh next.

265. Parking 21 High St (min.243 refers) Clerk reported receiving telephone call from Mrs. Hall and had subsequently advised her to contact County Cllr.James McInnes.

266. Northern Links (min.247 refers) Cllr.Tyson had received no notes.

267. Community Well Being event (min.251 refers) Cllrs.Tyson, Gladstone and Laycock would attend. Resolved to contribute £50 towards event costs.

PLANNING MATTERS

268. Applications to consider: None

269. Permissions granted:-

a) Mr. & Mrs. Rooney	Heathfield House	Single store rear extension
b) DCC	Hatherleigh School	timber garden room

270. Refusals advised: None

271. Any other planning matters:-

a) WBDC Enforcement case no 019192 - TPO issue on development site rear of former Nat.West Bank - reported that spoil material was piled up in root protection area. This has now been cleared and therefore case closed. Resolved that enforcement lists be checked on a regular basis to see long outstanding cases, as the above case was only reported on 9th Jan.2019.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

272, Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

a) CAB	grant	£ 100.00
b) R,Chard	grant	£ 150.00
c) Mrs.Rewse	toilets 12th Dec-15 Jan	£ 281.88
d) Mrs.Lock	wages 2 months	£ 309.20
e) Mrs.Lock	expenses	£ 80.00
f) Hatherleigh Community Centre	hire	£ 36.90
g) L & M Cole Landscapes	grounds maintenance	£1263.24
h) N.Moorcroft	Island Park 10.6/25.11	£ 783.00

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

273. Moneys received:-

a) Mr.Piddington	DAA night landing project	£1000.00
b) Xmas eve collection	xmas lights	£ 35.00
c) Xmas boxes shops	xmas lights	£ 184.28

274. Precept considerations - Council discussed the financial information supplied by the Clerk. It was resolved to maintain the precept at £25,000 - which would be made up as to £23,702 precept and £1298 council tax support grant.

275. Any other financial matters:-

a) Andrew Lane - his total invoice for work on the DAA night landing project was £357.00. However he would remit a cheque to the Town Council for £200 being his fee as a donation to the project.

b) L & M Cole Landscapes - 2019 contract prices will remain the same as 2018. ie.
a) £3,984.68 grounds maintenance including grass cutting of new graveyard
b) £ 627.86 sportsfield 13 cuts and £46 for any extra cuts
c) £ 440,23 20 hanging baskets

Resolved that Council accept the 2019 contract prices.

c) Hatherleigh Cricket Club - letter of thanks for grant of £500

d) Cllr.Tyson suggested Town Council may consider paying for a "maintenance person" say for 5 hours per week Agenda item next month.

MAINTENANCE/TRAFFIC ISSUES

276. Mrs.Rewse reported that the blockage in one of the urinals had been cleared.

277. Bench outside school - repairs not carried out. Cllr.Laycock to contact Mark Wonnacott again.

278. Cobb horse sculpture outside school - this was in poor condition. Resolved that Cllr.Laing-Trengove contact Beaford Arts who were responsible for the project.

279. Jubilee Footpath - Cllr.Laing-Trengove to contact Footpath Officer on work required.

280. Road markings - these had not been reinstated since Bridge St. was resurfaced on December 6th. Resolved that Clerk contact DCC Highways and ask that the loading bay outside Pyles Auction rooms and the yellow zig zag lines from the auction rooms to the school are reinstated as soon as possible.

281. Tree bottom of South Street required attention - Cllr.Laing-Trengove to contact James Balch

282. Cllr.Tyson - Island Park:-

a) condition of 2 seat benches at the entrance need monitoring

b) rubber stopper on zip wire required

c) bridge needs overhauling

283. Hanging baskets - discussion took place as to whether we should finance the hanging baskets this coming year. Resolved that article put in Parish Pump asking for volunteers to water baskets outside their properties. If no response from this then Cllr.Laycock would deliver letters to the households in question and ask for a response.

TODDLERS PLAY PARK

284. Following the presentation in the public session by Mrs.Lewis and Mr.Hill they informed the Council as follows:-

a) Community Centre had agreed to increase the size of the play area to 8.3m x 11.8m and approves the old metal fence is removed and replaced with a new wooden fence. It was resolved that the Town Council take responsibility for the maintenance of this fence.

b) they had received 64 online responses from parents on ideas for new equipment. New suggested layout given to the council for information.

c) the project would be carried out in stages

d) the wooden train to be replaced with tractor/trailer

e) open new playhouse to be acquired

f) They had applied for big lottery funding of £13,000. Cllr.Tyson to be the councils link with the lottery body and the Clerk would act as RFO for all moneys connected to the project.

PLAY INSPECTION COURSES

285. Resolved that Clerk obtain available dates for any saturday in June.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

286. Cllr.Kimber reported as follows:-

a) balanced budget for 2019/2020

b) customer services still an issue - 85% of calls answered in 5 minutes

- c) Joint Local plan on course
- d) New joint waste contract with South Hams in place
- e) On average 2 people a day visit the Outreach Centre in Okehampton.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

287. Cllrs.Back, Gladstone and Laycock attended the AGM of the Moor Management Committee - reported an interesting and lively meeting.

288. Cllr.Kimber - Community Centre - maintenance work upto date. Bar staff to have polo shirts.

CORRESPONDENCE

289. Mrs.S.Hall - email concerning escort agency/brothel in the town. Resolved that Clerk report that this is not a matter for the Town Council.

290. C.Lewis - book on Passaford House. Resolved that Clerk put him in contact with the history society.

291. Nominations for Royal Garden Party - no names put forward.

292. Devon Countryside Access Forum - information emailed to all councillors 11th Jan.

293. Madewell Disability play area - letter of support requested by Madewell for their grant application to Pocket Parks Plus grant for new play equipment. Resolved that Clerk send such letter of support.

ITEMS OF INTEREST/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

294. West Devon Mayoral awards - nominations submitted by 26th Feb. Agenda item for Feb.

295. WDBC information of May elections - information forwarded to all councillors on 14th Jan.

296. Cllr.Laycock and Gladstone - Hatherleigh Eco Share project - agenda item for Feb.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.15pm.

Signed.....Chair.....dated