## HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from last council meeting April 9th. Next meeting May 14<sup>th</sup> 2019 7pm

In Community Centre

Annual Parish Meeting to start at 6.30pm

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

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

The next meeting will be the **Council AGM.** This will be preceded by the **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING which will start at 6.30pm**. The Parish meeting is separate from the Council meeting and is relatively informal. This is an opportunity to share your views to the Council on community issues.

Please see Council noticeboard for Notice of Hatherleigh's uncontested election. Only 7 candidates put forward nominations meaning there will be no election.

Ian Trenaman and Andrea Kimber have chosen to step down. The Council thank them both for their service to the town and particularly to Ian who has served nearly 20 years on the town council! His contributions and local knowledge in discussions will be greatly missed.

This also means we have a new candidate, Kay Walters will be joining us next month.

Are you interested in becoming a Councillor? There are now 3 vacancies. Co-option can follow in May.

Hanging Baskets: These can now be ordered thank you to everyone who has volunteered to keep them watered, without doubt they are a lovely addition to the town in the summer.

**Planning Matters:** It is with interest to see that the **Runnon Moor** planning application for 80 houses has been refused by West Devon Borough Council.

The decision on **Hatherleigh Market** will be discussed by West Devon BC Planning Committee on 23<sup>rd</sup> April. The Town Council have agreed a statement of support to be read at that meeting.

We were also informed by Dist.Cllr Patrick Kimber that the strategic *Plymouth and South West* 

**Devon Joint Local Plan** has now been fully adopted by district and borough councils.

Yellow lines: another short section of lines are in the pipeline for South Street at the pinch point where large vehicles get stuck. If there are no objections at consultation stage works will take place in July/August.

**Town Signage** was discussed namely the large green welcome sign at the Sportsfield - action will be taken to see if this can be re-conditioned and re-erected. WDBC will be notified about the poor condition of a few other street signs.

**Dog mess:** Please, please, please can owners pick up after their dog and deposit in either a litter or dog bin. Runnon Moor lane and cycle route is reported again as a problem. There is no excuse we have two bins – one by the phone box at the entrance to Moor View, the other at the entrance to the cycle route.

The **sheep statue** has undergone some repair work, thank you to Roger Dean. And it is understood that the Art Group are planning on giving the statue a spring clean.

**Playparks:** The grant application for the toddler park has hit a hitch in that applying for Lottery funding has to go through the Community Centre not the Town Council as it sits on their land. The group are pressing forward with their campaign – if you would like to donate they have created a page on the 'Just Giving' crowdfunding page, search 'Hatherleigh Play Park'.

There appears to be an abandoned child's bicycle in Millennium Corner. If this isn't collected in the next few weeks it will be taken away.

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

www.hatherleightowncouncil.org/

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