

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from last meeting 9th June held via Zoom. Next meeting 14th July 2020 7pm using Zoom.

For more information see our website

www.hatherleightowncouncil.org/

Your 9 Councillors are Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Kay Walters, Netty Holwill, Donna Lewis, Iain Crockatt.

Due to current restrictions meetings are held using Zoom, a remote meeting platform. The meeting and Public Session remain available. Check our website 'minutes page' for details of the Zoom link, code and password. Alternatively see the agenda on the notice board.

Devon County Councillor James McInnes attended our virtual meeting this month. He gave us an update on the County Council covid response; explained how Devon's 'R rate' figure was high comparable to other counties because numbers skewed towards one hospital; and that 40% of Devon children have returned to school.

Hatherleigh Covid-19 Volunteer Group continues to offer support and help to the community. As the rates of infections continue to reduce and lockdown measures ease we are pleased to report that:

- **Public toilets** are soon to open once a system flush is completed. These will now be cleaned twice a day.
- **Town centre** shops for non-essential goods are beginning to open.
- **To support the opening of pubs and cafes** West Devon Borough Council are expecting to give licences for the use of their open spaces. This means the Town Square and car park will be available for use by businesses.

Hatherleigh Market is now open (hurray!) and operating with outdoor stalls. Reports are all positive and visitors are adhering to the social distancing measures in place.

As the lockdown measures ease further please remember to be considerate of others. There will be some understandably anxious of venturing out. So please be mindful of this and take care of each other.

Hatherleigh 'Lockdown Memories' book was discussed with Cllr. Donna Lewis explaining

content and costs. The Town Council resolved to grant £500 towards this interesting and unique project.

Toddler Park: There was welcome news that the Toddler park is undergoing its full refurbishment this week. Please bear in mind that all playparks remain closed due to them being high contact areas, your little ones need to wait a bit longer! The play park at Island Park continues to be closed off, the skate park and picnic area are open please follow social distance guidelines.

Maintenance Issues: Incidences of sheep getting into the grave yard have been resolved with improvements made to the dog gate.

Hanging baskets are now up so please keep an eye on them and water frequently.

It was noted that West Devon Council have now returned to their grass cutting regimes following lockdown. The roped off piece remains an ongoing issue.

Can we please remind residents: NOT to leave their rubbish bags by litter bins outside of collection times, this is fly tipping; to clear up adjoining pathways after they have trimmed their hedges and trees; and to take in their recycle boxes once emptied and not leave them out cluttering the pavements.

We keep saying it! Hatherleigh Town Council again say **"Thank You"** to everyone in this parish helping to keep everyone safe and well and sticking to the guidelines.

If you have concerns about this Coronavirus situation or need help on your financial situation there is lots of information and help links on West Devon Borough Council and Devon County Council websites.

Space is short here. A full account of meetings are available in the minutes on the Town Council website and notice board in Millennium Corner.
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