

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 13th October 2020 7pm by zoom

Present: Cllr.Tyson in the chair, Cllrs. Gladstone, Laing-Trengove,Walters, Back, Lewis
The Clerk. Dist. Cllrs. Kimber and Kemp

Apologies: Cllrs.Laycock and Holwill

Declarations

of interest: Cllr.Tyson – employee of WDBC

PUBLIC SESSION

no members of the public joined the meeting

COVID 19 UPDATE/EMERGENCY MATTERS

586. The following matters were discussed:-

- Cllr.Tyson thanked the Covid 19 Volunteer group for their continued work.
- Remembrance Day parade – had been in contact with Rev.Winsbury. There would be no procession or church service, audio of a shortened outdoor service is planned to be transmitted in The Square. Last Post to be played as a minimum.
- Clerk asked to ascertain from DALC what sort of risk assessment, if any, should be drawn up by the Town Council as this is an event usually organised by the RBL
- Clerk confirmed that a poppy wreath had been ordered at cost of £17 and was ready for collection from Mr.Paul Wilkinson
- Cllr.Back reported that the Volunteer group were still meeting regularly and everything was in place should a second spike occur.

CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLORS

587. Since the zoom interview meeting held on the 6th instant, Cllr.Holwill had tendered her resignation from the Council, so we therefore had three vacancies to fill. It was proposed by Cllr.Back seconded by Cllr.Gladstone that Mr. Paul Bolland, Mr.Callum Entwistle and Miss E. Holland be co-opted onto the Council. All agreed. The Clerk would inform the new councillors and arrange to send them the declaration of acceptance of office and register of interest forms to be completed ready for the November meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

588. The minutes of the meeting held 8th Sept 2020, having been duly circulated were signed by the Chair as being a true and correct record with the following 2 amendments:-

- min.557 to read “hedge opposite Tricity House
- min.576 2nd bullet point to read “The Church to contact Top Cut for a quote to remove the trees”

Proposed Cllr.Gladstone seconded Cllr.Walters. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

589. Grass verge Moor View (min.551 refers) nothing further heard from any other parties on the matter. The Town Council have now referred the matter to the Enforcement Officer at WDBC.

590. Skatepark fence (min.554 refers) an excellent job had been carried out by MTF Contracting in erecting the new section of fencing.

591. Island Park zip wire (min.555 refers) on going matter.

592. Hedges (min.538 refers) Cllr.Laing-Trengove reported that the hedge at the Care Home had been cut.

593. Victoria Footpath fencing (min.559 refer) Clerk had applied to DCC P3 scheme for the release of the £2,500 grant. Cllr.Laing-Trengove did not know when the work would commence to erect the new railings.

594. COU premises in Market St. (min.566 refers) planning permission for cou would be required and the owners of the property should consult with the Duty Planning Officer.

595. Parking/Pyles Auction (min.574 refer) PCSO Smith reported that the owner of the affected vehicle had not submitted the video evidence herself, this was done by a third party who had not yet been traced. A Traffic officer was looking into the queries regarding the fork lift truck.

596. Art of Hair (min.576 refers) Cllr.Gladstone had spoken to this business concerning the problem with their rubbish and had received assurance that this would not happen again.

597. Okehampton Rail (min.580 refer) Cllr.Walters would resend the draft response letter to all councillors for approval. Resolved that hard copies of the letter be sent to all parties concerned which include Devon County Councillors and local MPs.

PLANNING MATTERS

598. Applications to consider:-

a) 2992/20	G.Vick	Hawthorns	Tree works. <i>Council resolved that as there was no pictures with the application Cllr.Walters would take a photo of the tree and circulate before we send comments</i>
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599. Applications granted:-

a) 1796/20	Downie	Grudgeworthy	replacement barn/ext. To garage
b) 2153.20	Thomas	Hatherleigh Place	Tree works
c) 2846/20	A.Capon	Elmsfield House	Tree works
d) 3301/19	Bennett	28 Oldham Place	Loft conversion

600. Refusals advised None

601. Any other planning matters None

602. Hatherleigh Market – Cllr.Tyson reported that a zoom meeting with Kingswood Homes had been arranged by the market working group and a list of questions/queries would be put to them. It was resolved that we would not join the National Association of British Markets until next year when many queries/question would have been answered and would discuss being members of the Rural Services Network at the next meeting.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

603. The Clerk presented the following accounts for payment:-

a) Okehampton Community Transport grant		£ 200.00	
b) L & M Cole Landscapes	g/m £1268.41	Island Park £90	£1388.41
c) Festive Lighting	xmas lights	£ 227.40	
d) G.P. Shacklock	Island Park fencing	£ 750.00	
e) HMRC	Clerk's tax	£ 275.67	
f) WDBC	bin emptying	£ 142.74	

g) Hatherleigh FC	DAA sign	£ 58.20
h) Mrs C Gladstone	cost of zoom meetings	£ 143.90
l) C.Peters	street caretaker hours	£ 122.08
j) Mrs. J. Rewse	toilet cleaning	£ 492.68
k) Mrs. R.Lock	wages	£ 366.43
l) Broxap Ltd	toddler play park	£5640.60

Proposed Cllr.Gladstone seconded CllrTyson that the above cheques be paid. Cheques signed by Cllrs.Laing-Trengove and Back.

604. Moneys received:

a) Dunbia	donation Toddlers Play Park	£10,000.00
b) WDBC	2 nd precept payment	£12,500.00

605. Any other financial matters:-

a) As reported elsewhere in these minutes Clerk had applied for £2,500 P3 moneys.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

606. Cllr.Kimber reported:-

- a) Okehampton and Tavistock leisure centres were now open
- b) IT system was being replaced
- c) Using financial reserves at this time.

MAINTENANCE/TRAFFIC ISSUES

607. Request received via the website that the skatepark be lit up perhaps until 11pm to maximise use. This had been discussed before and no further action was taken on the installation of lights.

608. Cllr.Tyson:-

- a) Reported that we had an adequate supply of sand and sandbags
- b) Website – Pynto had suggested a minimum of twice yearly updates. Resolved that Cllr.Tyson contact Pynto and ascertain how much quarterly updates would cost
- c) As Mr.Moorcroft was unable to “litter pick” at Island Park for a couple of weeks, asked that councillors keep an eye on the area.

609. Cllr.Laing-Trengove:-

- a) she asked Dist.Cllr. Kimber to ascertain if the bottle bank in the car park was being removed by WDBC
- b) complaints received that some hanging baskets had not been watered regularly throughout the season. Baskets had now been removed
- c) Complaint received concerning outflow pipe opposite Tricity House on Northlew Road that it was discharging dirty water/sewage. Advised the complainant to inform the Environment Agency
- d) Runnon Moor Lane – pass the building plot – reports that the gate had been locked to this marked private footpath – it is not a designated public footpath. On inspection the gate was found to be unlocked but Dist.Cllr.Kimber would speak to the owners.

CARNIVAL 2020

610. Cllr.Tyson reported that the carnival had been cancelled (as had all carnivals throughout the south west of England) However rumours had been circulating that

something would still happen regarding the flaming tar barrels. She suggested a Town

Council press release by way of support but discussion resolved this was not our place. The Carnival Committee had wishes to distance themselves completely from any rumours and had put a press release in the Okehampton Times, on facebook and the Parish Pump to this effect. Town Council advised that further press release is given nearer the carnival date by the carnival committee reiterating this point.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

611. Cllr.Tyson – Northern Links on 17th Sept. she would circulate minutes when received but main points to arise were:-

- talked about a post covid recovery plan
- important to communicate to all councils
- Town Centre Boost grant – asked Dist.Cllr.Kimber if he could find out any information of this grant.

612. Cllr. Laing-Trengove – Community Centre – reported as follows:-

- AGM held 23rd Sept – one new trustee was appointed
- various groups are returning to use the centre
- income down because of no fund raising but boosted by a grant receipt
- Cllr.Tyson suggested that Town Council still pay the £16 per month hire charge by way of support even though council meetings will continue to be held by zoom. Cllr.Laing-Trengove would take this back to the committee

613. Cllr. Back – Moor Management – no AGM would be held this year.

CORRESPONDENCE

614. “Doing what matters by DCC Highways” email circulated from Mr. Jagger with various attachments setting out works for Hatherleigh. Council were concerned that this mostly covered resurfacing. Councillors would study the planned works and reevaluate at the next meeting. Resolved that Clerk reply to DCC reporting that top of Higher Street and Victoria Road were omitted from the plan and both needed attention.

ITEMS OF INTEREST/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

615. Future agenda items –

- Xmas celebrations
- DCC Highways speed limits

616. Date of next meeting Tuesday November 10th November 7pm

There being no further business, the Chair thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.50pm

Signed.....chair.....dated