# HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING HELD TUESDAY 12TH JULY 2022 7.00pm IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Cllr. Tyson in the chair, Cllrs. Entwistle, Lewis, Laing-Trengove, Laycock

Walters, Orbidans. Dist.Cllr.Kimber. The Clerk.

Apologies: Cllrs. Reddaway, Holland and Bolland

**Declarations** 

of interest: Cllr. Tyson - employee of WDBC

PUBLIC SESSION

no members of the public present

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

82. The minutes of the meeting held June 14<sup>th</sup> 2022 having been duly circulated were signed by the Chair as being a true and correct record. Proposed Cllr.Entwistle seconded Cllr.Laycock. All agreed.

# MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- 83. 20 is Plenty (min.41 refers) nothing further heard from Cllr.McInnes.
- 84. Remembrance Sunday wreath (min.43 refers) Cllr.Laing-Trengove reported that Mr.P.Back was working on a design.
- 85. New town signs (min.44 refers) these had now been installed.
- 86. Chapter 8 Training (min.45 refers) Mr.C.Peters had now resigned as Street caretaker for health reasons. Resolved that
- a) expressions of interest be asked for by way of the third version of the advert which would be placed in the Parish Pump and on Council noticeboards
- b) Clerk to contact DALC on employment matters
- c) With regard to ongoing play equipment inspections these would be carried out in the meantime by Cllrs. Tyson and Laycock
- d) Until new appointment is made residents to be asked to look after their own property frontages to keep the town looking neat and tidy.
- 87. Millennium Corner (min.46 refers) any required improvement works would be put on hold until the building works on the house in the corner are completed. Meanwhile ideas for such improvement works would be sought.

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88. Old bench outside school (min.46 refers) Cllr. Tyson had taken the metal work

to Right Angle for repairs and following this passed to a local carpenter for woodwork repairs.

- 89. New graveyard (min.48 refers) further meeting to be arranged as a matter of urgency. Enquiry from H.G.Stacey concerning a memorial headstone had been answered.
- 90. School entrance (min.50 refers) no further information. The matter had been given an enforcement number by WDBC.
- 91. Rhino Play (min.52 refers) Reported:-
- a) 2 items of equipment removed from Island Park by Ben Bailey free of charge
- b) zip wire cordoned off and being slowly dismantled
- c) New equipment was in the process of being installed
- 92. Hatherleigh Visitor and Information Centre (min.54 refers) Cllrs. Lewis and Walters confirmed:-
- a) new bank account now set up
- b) agreed terms of lease with Mr. Pyle.
- 93. Market/Community Centre parking (min.61 refers) dealt with elsewhere in these minutes.
- 94. NABMA (min.64b refers) NABMA had confirmed that as a goodwill gesture we would not be liable for a membership fee for 2023/24.
- 95. Moorview noticeboard (min.70c refers) Cllr. Tyson reported that this work would be undertaken in winter months.
- 96. Toddler playpark (min.71 refers) Cllr.Lewis reported that through the Community Centre CCTV footage the offending youths had been identified and the matter reported to the police and given a crime number. Resolved that this information be put in the Parish Pump. Cllr.Entwistle to draw up required wording.
- 97. Bus timetable (min.73 refers) Cllr.Laycock reported that despite much time spent on trying to contact the bus company about the relocation of the bus timetable it had not been successful. Ongoing matter.
- 98. Street name signs (min 74a refers) Cllr.Laing-Trengove will contact both

DCC and WDBC on the poor condition of some of the signs.

### PLANNING MATTERS

99. Applications to consider:-

a) 2036/22 Dunbia Abattoir slurry press over building.

Council supported the application

b) 2046/22 Miller Higher retro. amendments to dwelling &

Upcott barn removal part of existing barn

Council supported the application

100. Approvals granted:

a) 1476/22 Wonnacott Suncrest variation of cond.2 b) 1777/22 Beavis Essworthy discharge cond.4

101. Refusals advised: None

102. Any other planning matters None

103. Hatherleigh market on the question of parking it was reported

- a) that all trade stalls on market day had moved to the end of the centre carpark
- b) Cllr. Tyson reported that on Tuesday  $5^{th}$  July at 11am there were 45 vehicles in the town car park showing the car park is well used
- c) As and when the new market is in operation as well as their car park the Town Council will cease reimbursing WDBC for the car park charges for Tuesday mornings ie £55 per week.

# FINANCIAL MATTERS

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

a) Mrs. Rews	se 2 mon	ths toilet cleaning $$	817.00
b) L&MCo	le g/m£	.1328.68 Island Park £93.00 £	1421.68
c) Mrs R.Lo	ck wages	£	366.43
d) Hatherlei	gh Centre hire	£	16.40
e) HMRC	Clerks	stax £	274.80

Proposed Cllr. Walters seconded Cllr. Laycock that the above accounts be paid. Cllrs. Lewis and Laing-Trengove signed the cheques.

105. Moneys received:-

a) HM Customs vat refund £1383.46 b) N.Lock & Sons 2 burials £650.00

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106. Any other financial matters:- Cllr.Lewis:-

a) the Youth Football Club have reported anti social behaviour on club grounds. To combat this the Youth Football Club wish to purchase 2 goals at cost of £2,100 to be sited on the green space between the adult pitch and the tennis courts. Resolved that the Club should seek other grant funding sources eq. Football Foundation and organise

fund raising events before any Council support is considered

- b) Toddler play park to have safe access/egress to the play area for children a new gate system is required to combat vandalism. Resolved that Cllr.Lewis obtain quotes for both options put forward and report back to the Council
- c) She considers that there should be a better link between the Council and the School and in particular their Eco Council to encourage children to pick up litter and take a pride in their town. To this end Keep Britain Tidy do a "school litter pick up pack" consisting of 20 litter pickers/high viz jackets. Resolved that Council give a grant of £350 to the School for this particular project.

## DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

- 107. Cllr.Kimber reported:-
- a) complaints received concerning ongoing activity at Passaford Meadow which has an enforcement action on it which the landowners are going to appeal
- b) WDBC will continue to use FCC Environment for their waste and recycling collection services following news of the contract termination in South Hams.

# TRAFFIC/MAINTENANCE ISSUES

108. DCC Highways - road closure Tricity House to Gribbleford Bridge 20-29<sup>th</sup> July for collapsed culvert repairs.

110. Cllr. Tyson reported on the meeting organised by Dist. Cllr. Kemp to discuss highway problems in the town. Notes to be forwarded to all councillors. Attendees at this meeting were Dist. Cllrs Kemp and Kimber, HTC Cllrs. Walters, Bolland, Tyson, County Cllr. McInnes, DCC John Scillitoe.

On advice from the Highways Officer the Council should draw up a priority list of works -this must include built up evidence and photos to support such works. County Cllr.McInnes said he would support any works put forward. The Council would also put piece in Parish Pump notes to the effect that we are well aware of the various traffic/parking problems around the town, and are in constant contact with DCC Highways who are the responsible authority for highway matters.

- 111. Cllr. Tyson Island Park. Reported:-
- a) Rota bounce seat needed replacing. Resolved that she obtains quote
- b) Climber surface needs topping up. Various quotes obtained and circulated to all

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councillors. Resolved that we accept quote from PlayBark for 10 cubic metres of pine play bark at cost of £1,349.50 including vat and delivery.

112. Cllr. Tyson - Remembrance Sunday parade - all paperwork ready to submit an application to DCC for "rolling road closure" which would involve no diversions or signage. Mr.A. Gilbert would use his Chapter 8 qualification to assist.

- 113. Cllr. Tyson asked that Councillors take note of the himalayan balsam plants around Island Park and if necessary pull up, but leave on site.
- 114. Generic emails for councillors Cllr. Entwistle would help councillors set up on their devices.
- 115. Cllr.Laycock tree bottom of South Street. Awaiting quote from Tree Surgeon in respect of pruning work to make the tree safe.
- 116. Cllr.Lewis had received offer of replacement ash trees for Island Park. Resolved that Council felt area should be kept clear of further tree planting.

#### MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

- 117. Cllr. Walters Oke Rail notes distributed to all councillors.
- 118. Cllr. Lewis Moor Management nothing to report.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 119. Velocity Devon free digital training offered circulated to all councillors.
- 120. Mr. A. Wilkinson concern about speeding traffic on Holsworthy Road.
- 121. Devon Community Foundation information passed to Cllrs. Walters and Lewis Cllr. Tyson had met Kat Thomas from this organisation in Hatherleigh and walked around the town with her highlighting it's various qualities.
- 122. Mr. C. Young request for tourist information about Hatherleigh. Passed on to Cllrs. Walters and Lewis.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

123. Cllr, Entwistle - asked about Xmas lights. He would liaise with members of the Lights Committee eg. Richard Jones, Richard Tidball on the matter.

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124. Date of next meeting Tuesday September 13th

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

Signed......dated