

HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD TUESDAY 11TH APRIL 2023
7.00pm IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Cllr. Tyson In the chair, Cllrs.Lewis, Laycock, Walters, Laing-Trengove, Reddaway, Orbidans, Entwistle. Dist.Cllr.Kimber, the Clerk, 3 members of the public

Apologies: Cllrs. Bolland and Holland

Declaration

of interest: Cllr. Tyson employee of WDBC

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PUBLIC SESSION

- a) Mr.R.Wonnacott – objections to planning application 0456/23/FUL garage/annexe to main house
- b) Mrs.S.Bradley - objections to planning application 0456/23/FUL submission letter read by Mr.R.Wonnacott
- c) Mr.C.Brook - objections to planning application 0456/23/FUL
- d) Disr.Cllr.Kimber - submitted request from group of residents to attend a town council meeting to talk about future of the market

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

371. The minutes of the meeting held 14th March 2023 having been duly circulated were signed by the Chair as being a true and correct record with one amendment – min.367 to read (b) talks with Atlantic Racquet Club over the transfer of the courts have stalled. Proposed Cllr.Orbidans seconded Cllr. Walters. All agreed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

372. speed watch group (min.337 refers) one member of the public had expressed an interest in this group asking for information which Cllr.Tyson had supplied Resolved that notices still be displayed as many more volunteers were required.

373. Visit Hatherleigh website (min.338 refers) website is now live and councillors would encourage residents to visit and use the website Cllr.Lewis requested could Cllr.Entwistle look into adding an app to enable individuals to put events on the proposed calendar.

374. Co-Op bus shelter (min.339 refers) on going matter.

375. Snow warden (min.341 refers) Cllr. Tyson had circulated to all

councillors information regarding differences between a snow warden and a road warden.

376. Stone Cross Park Rd/Victoria Rd (min.346 refers) no further update but there is no danger of cross falling over.

377. Field top of Oakfield Rd (min.347 refers) matter in the hands of the enforcement officer at WDBC.

378. ROSPA play report (min.349 refers)

a) Cllr.Tyson had prepared and circulated list of works brought to our attention. She would contact J.Tagg – street caretaker, to see which works he could undertake

b) Cllr.Lewis reported on the toddler play park report – the tractor/trailer repair materials would have to be purchased by the Town Council and she would obtain a quote for such materials

c) head entrapment on playhouse – advice sought & considered there was no such danger – furthermore this was considered not to be a piece of play equipment and came under different legislation

d) Cllr.Lewis had applied for lottery funding in the sum of £7,000 for the toddler play park and £10,000 for a new zip wire at Island Park.

379. Coronation celebrations (min.324 refers)

a) the 600 badges had to be ordered through the school which they had done and would invoice the council in due course

b) Clerk had applied to WDBC for £250 grant for coronation celebrations for Hatherleigh – confirmation received that we had been granted £500.00.

380. Hatherleigh festival (min.366 refers) Mr.S.Carter had confirmed festival dates of 7th-9th July via email.

PLANNING MATTERS

381. Applications to consider:-

**a) 0456/23/FUL Madders Turnpike – garage/annexe to house
resubmission of 3071/22**

(Cllrs.Tyson, Reddaway. Orbidans and Entwistle declared interests and took no part in any discussion or vote) Council object on the following grounds:

a) the proposed development will have significant impact on neighbouring properties

b)overbearing development

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c) height has only been very slightly reduced from that of app no 3071/22 - the rule of light should still apply

b) 0832/22/TCA Gardner

34 Bridge St–tree works

Insufficient evidence provided for the Council to make any comment

c) 087723/FUL Matthews

land SX532 105 poly tunnels, shed & static caravan

Council have no objection to the shed & poly tunnels but have concerns over the caravan. Should the application be approved request a condition is imposed that the caravan is not for residential use

382. Permissions granted:-

a) 0464/23/AGR Parnell

storage shed for agric.equipment
Prior approval not required

383. Refusals advised:-

a) 4117/22/FUL Bonass/Whitehead low impact camp site grid 539 036

384. Any other planning matters

a) 6 Market St. change of use – enforcement ref RP/437785

b) 1 Market St. - new premises licence – council support the application

c) School entrance/Bridge Garage – enforcement officer reported he was awaiting further information from DCC. Resolved that Clerk contact once again County Cllr.J.McInnes.

d) Cllr.Walters reported that all planning applications relating to Biddicombe had lapsed.

e) Cllr.Tyson – thought that the new milk station was ugly and Cllr.Lewis reported that visibility is affected coming off the roundabout. These comments were noted but the Council had supported the application.

f) New market – following the request in the public session it was resolved that the new market be an agenda item at the May meeting and the residents be given 15minutes in the public session for their presentation.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

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

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a) We Raise Digital	website	£ 60.00
b) DAPC	membership	£445.72
c) Hatherleigh Com.Centre	hire	£ 32.80
d) WDBC	car park Feb.£220.00	
	car park Mar £220.00	
	litter bins £429.63.....	£869.63
e) Mrs. Rewse	toilet cleaning	£419.85
f) Mrs. R.Lock	wages	£366.43

g) Mr. J.Tagg	street caretaker	£169.00
h) Hatherleigh parish Pump	grant	£110.00
i) RTIS	Coronation ins	£161.00
j) Cllr.C.Tyson	mayor exp WDBC dinner	<u>£ 80.00</u>
Total		<u>£2714.43</u>

Proposed Cllr.Walters seconded Cllr.Orbidans that the above accounts be paid. Cheques signed by Cllrs.Laing-Trengove and Laycock.

386. Moneys received:-

a) WDBC	coronation grant	£500.00
b) Mrs.C.Munn	defib. Moneys collected	£450.00
c) Mr.Tucker	Community orchard fund	£766.10

387. Any other financial matters:-

- a) living wage increased to £10.42 per hour from 1st April 2023

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

388. Cllr.Kimber – nothing to report

TRAFFIC/MAINTENANCE ISSUES

389. Cllr.Orbidans – flooding on road between Hatherleigh/Highampton. Cllr.Tyson had reported this area and DCC had been out and cleared. Any further flooding issues should be reported to DCC along with photographs.

390. Cllr.Laing-Trengove – Footpath no 3 work was ongoing

391. Cllr.Tyson

- a) could Town Council purchase their own speed limit signs and display in relevant locations Resolved not to implement this suggestion
b) After the AGM the new chair/mayor name should be added as secondary back up to the contact form on the council website

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DEFIBRILLATORS

392. Cllr.Lewis reported that the Bowling Club would like a defibrillator on their premises. She would ascertain if they had any fund raising ideas in mind. Councillors considered there were other defibrillators close to the bowling club and other locations in town were not so well served. As reported elsewhere in these minutes Mrs Munn had handed over the sum of £450 for defibrillator funds. Cllr.Laycock to ascertain if she was now stepping down as a fund raiser.

MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

393. Cllr.Entwistle – Festival – insurance, event notice and marquee had all now been organised.

394. Cllr.Laing-Trengove – Allotments

- a) a new polytunnel is to be purchased with funds in hand
- b) rabbits were a problem on the allotments
- c) no increase in rent this year

**395. Cllr.Reddaway – Coronation – all planned events were on track
Cllr.Laycock was to paint the BT telephone kiosk with all supplies provided by BT.**

396.Cllr.Lewis – Carnival

- a) AGM held with new chair and two new members appointed
- b) Colour Run event planned for 17th June

CORRESPONDENCE

397. Northam Mayfair 29th April – Cllr.Tyson could not attend

398. Request from resident asking why the increase in precept. Cllr Tyson as chair had responded. Therefore no further response was required.

ITEMS OF INTEREST/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

399. Election notices received from WDBC. Printed off to be displayed on website and noticeboards. There are 2 vacancies to be filled by co-option.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

400, Scheduled meeting date for the annual parish and annual general meetings of the council is 9th May, However this is officially the last day of the existing council and on the advice given by both DALC and NALC such meetings should be held between 10th and 28th May, Therefore annual parish and annual general meetings to be held on Tuesday 16th

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May with annual parish at 6.30pm and annual general at 7.00pm. New date had been confirmed with the Community Centre.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked those present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9pm

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