

# WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge, High Peak, SK23 7AA  
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**Meeting:** Town Council  
**Date:** 8<sup>th</sup> May 2014  
**Time:** 7.30pm  
**Venue:** Mechanics Institute  
**Present:** Councillors Pritchard (Chair), Bowden, Goldfinch (from 8.10pm), Lomax, Swift, Thomas, and Anne Winter. PCSO Tracy Jones

## MINUTES

### C14/15 Community Police

PCSO Tracy Jones gave crime statistics for the previous month. Problems with broken glass and graffiti in the Memorial Park were reported. The situation will be monitored by additional patrols in the park.

### C14/16 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Gilmour, Linda Leather, Susanne Lomas, Taylor and Wild.

### C14/17 Declarations of Members' Interests and Dispensation Applications (1)

Cllr Swift	Agenda Item 22 Planning Application HPK/2014/0119	Neighbour
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### C14/18 Open Forum - None

### C14/19 Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2014

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2014 were a true and correct record of the meeting and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

### C14/20 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's Report was received.

**RESOLVED:** To change the date of the July meeting to Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> July 2014.

## C14/21 Accounts for Payment

It was **RESOLVED** that the accounts listed below be authorised for payment:

<b>Chq</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2522	WB Community Trust	Donation for Footsteps	80.00
2523	HMRC	PAYE & NI April 2014	562.87
2524	HPBC	Install interpretation board	120.00
2525	Environment Agency	Water Abstraction Licence	24.59
2526	Chris Tetley	Incline & bin repair work	50.00
2527	Jarva Gallery	Framing artwork	58.20
2528	S Drinkwater & Sons	Allotment Project materials	456.53
2529	Mechanics Institute	May account	606.17
2530	Cheshire Turf Machine Ltd	Mower for Cricket Club	6300.00
2531	Zurich Municipal	Insurance	1803.65
2532	Peartree Print	Stationery/printing/flyers	365.00
2533	Trusted IT Ltd	Monthly backup	30.00
2534	DCC	Superann account April	511.05
2535	Cash	Petty cash – May account	50.58
0461	Stephen Rampley	SA – fridge	75.00
0462	HPBC	SA – rates June	165.00
		<b>TOTAL £</b>	<b>11258.64</b>

## C14/22 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

Cllr Thomas reported that he had met with representatives from the Neighbourhood Plan Group and Judy Jones from the Canal & River Trust to discuss the use of the Transhipment Warehouse as a community space. A further site visit is planned for 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014 with Jeff Smith (Canal & River Trust) to assess the practical issues with mounting an exhibition regarding possible future uses for the warehouse.

Cllr Pritchard reported on the DCC Parish Liaison Forum meeting held at County Hall on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014.

Cllr Thomas reported on a public meeting held with representatives from DCC, United Utilities and the Environment Agency on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2014 to discuss the Flood Warning Service in Whaley Bridge.

## C14/23 Correspondence

1. DCC – information about Community Payback Team funding for graffiti removal work.
2. DCC – Derbyshire Pension Fund employer’s newsletter No. 121.
3. Planning Design Practice Ltd – supporting the Neighbourhood Planning Process.
4. Victoria Greenwood – complaint with photographs about damage by lorries to car and property in the Canal Basin.
5. DCC – copy of response to Cllr Lomax about referral of Whaley Lane wall repair to landowner.
6. Barrie Walker – raising questions regarding the duration of work to refurbish the Memorial Park.
7. HPBC – confirmation of registration of the Mechanics Institute as an asset of community value.
8. Local Government Boundary Commission – copy of letter to HPBC and invitation to comment regarding draft recommendations for the electoral review of High Peak.
9. Department of Transport – copy of response to Andrew Bingham MP regarding re-trunking the A6. **Copy to be placed on the Notice Board. Agreed to write to DCC Highways requesting that the white lining be reviewed and increased along the A6 as the present layout is not working efficiently.**
10. HPBC – Statement of Persons Nominated for the forthcoming European Election.
11. DCC – acknowledgment of receipt and investigation concerning Highwat Footpath Overgrowing at Orchard Road.
12. Chapel-en-le-Frith Mobile Physiotherapy Service – notice of AGM on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June.
13. Annette & Kevin Scott – bringing their registration of strong objections to the Gladman Application HPK/2014/0119 to the attention of the Town Council.
14. HPBC – Proposed High Peak Local Plan submission information. Representations regarding its legal compliance and soundness can be made from April 23<sup>rd</sup> to 5pm on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2014.
15. PC Ellen Barlow – reply that HGV’s need to have loads covered to avoid shedding.
16. HPBC – papers for Ordinary meeting on 7 May at Pavilion Gardens, Buxton.

17. WB Rose Queen Festival Committee – thanks for donation.
18. WB Rose Queen Festival Committee – request for concessionary use of 3AGP and pavilion.
19. HPBC – Regeneration grant information.
20. N Smyton – copy of initial comments submitted to case officer concerning Planning Application HPK/2014/0119 Linglongs Road.
21. B Walker – complaint about Memorial Park Refurbishment Project.
22. HPBC & SMDC – responses from Mike Green and Jo Morson about Wharf Road issues.
23. Andrew Bingham MP – personal invitation to Council to visit Parliament.
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No:	DALC Circulars and Information 2014 - Content
08	General Circular –DALC E-mail contact – DALC Membership Services – Employment Allowances – Locum Clerk – DALC Constitution – BBC1, Home swap - Vacancy
09	General Circular – DALC Annual Executive Meeting & AGM – SLCC/DALC joint event “Clerk’s and RFO’s Networking Lunch” – Local Government Pensions – Clerk Induction Training – Playground Inspection Training – led by RoSPA Playsafety – Neighbourhood Planning – Parishes in bid to light up new community power - Making Localism work – Statutory Sick Pay refund abolished from 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2014 - Vacancy.
	DALC Constitution revised proposals for expression of views by 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2014.

#### **C14/24 Annual Community Award**

Two nominations were received for the Annual Community Award.

**RESOLVED:** That Barry Rudd should receive the award for 2014 and be presented with the certificate at the Annual Town Meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014.

#### **C14/25 Renewal of Insurance Policy with Zurich Insurance**

**RESOLVED:** To pay Zurich Municipal Insurance £1803.65 for the Town Council’s insurance policy for 2014/15 from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2014, not including insurance for the Artificial Grass Pitch, MUGA fencing and floodlights.

**RESOLVED:** To reduce the insurance value for the AGP to £55,000 and obtain new quotations for the surface from HPBC, Zurich Municipal and Sportsguard and for the lowest quotation to be approved by the Clerk and Chairs of the Sports Association and WBTC (Cllrs Goldfinch and Pritchard).

**C14/26 Licence Agreements with HPBC for Locations for Interpretation Boards (2)**

**RESOLVED:** To approve, sign and return to HPBC the two licence agreements for new interpretation boards (2) along the Linear Park, at the Bingswood Road entrance and to the rear of 26 Buxton Road.

**C14/27 Memorial Park – Progress with Refurbishment Project**

Christine Latham (HPBC Park Refurbishment Officer) will be attending the June meeting to report on the refurbishment project and answer questions from councillors.

**RESOLVED:** To arrange a site meeting with Cllr Godfrey Claff (HPBC) to view the current work before the June meeting.

**C14/28 Car Parks and Parking**

It was agreed that parking provision in Whaley Bridge is inadequate and that the infrastructure is not keeping pace with demands resulting from new building development. It was agreed that a new additional parking site needs to be identified and the existing Bingswood Car Park should be extended where there is some potential for allocating additional spaces closer to the River Goyt.

**C14/29 DCC Community Safety Clean-Up Project - 2014/15**

Derbyshire County Council is inviting applications for funding for clean-up projects for suitable sites within the community.

**RESOLVED:** To display the information on the notice board and request suggestions for projects and promote on the Community Website.

**C14/30 Boundary Fence at Shallcross Incline**

Cllr Swift reported that there was a 7.5 yard length of bare wall reaching 3' 6" high. Concern had been expressed by an adjacent resident that dogs had been intruding onto privately owned land over this wall.

**RESOLVED:** To purchase and erect two signs stating that dogs must be kept on a lead at all times along the Shallcross Incline Greenway, to prevent dogs straying onto adjacent private land. A sign to be placed at the top and bottom of the incline.

**C14/31 Repairs to Flagpole at Mechanics Institute**

A quotation for £224.00 to fit a new halyard rope to the flagpole from the balcony was received and discussed.

**RESOLVED:** That Cllr John Swift investigate the work required and report back to the June meeting.

**C14/32 Sunnybank Allotment Site – Water Supply Project and New Lease**

Cllr John Swift reported progress and that the drain was nearly complete. All water is now channelled into one drain and the land is fairly firm. Two working parties were planned, on 17<sup>th</sup> May and 7<sup>th</sup> June 2014. Levelling work had exposed a large quantity of plastic debris. No response had been received from HPBC regarding completion of the new lease for the allotment site.

**C14/33 Producing a Neighbourhood Plan**

Cllr Thomas reported on a meeting that Joanna Bagnall (HPBC Regeneration Service) had attended with representatives of the Neighbourhood Plan Group held on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2014.

**Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.**

.....Chairman

**Date**.....