

WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge, High Peak, SK23 7AA
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Meeting: Town Council
Date: 10th February 2011
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: Mechanics Institute
Present: Councillors Goldfinch (Chairman), Bowden, Jean Horsfall, Mrs Linda Leather, Susanne Lomas (until 9.00pm), Lomax, Pritchard, R Wild, Taylor, and Mrs Anne Winter.

MINUTES

C10/152 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Swift and A Wild.

C10/153 Declarations of Members' Interests (2)

Declarations were received from:

Councillor	Agenda Item	Nature of Interest
Cllr L Leather	22 Planning	Member of HPBC Development Control Committee
Cllr L Leather	12 Grants & Donations	Committee Member Mobile Physio on behalf of HPBC
Cllr Pritchard	12 Grants & Donations	Requesting a contribution.
Cllr Mrs Anne Winter	7 Accounts for Payment	Secretary of Friends of Whaley Bridge Station. TC Cheque signatory.
Cllr Jean Horsfall	12 Grants & Donations	Chair of Whaley Bridge Community Trust.

C10/154 Community Police

PCSO Tracy Jones reported recent crime statistics.

Rubbish on the canal towpath adjacent to the Tesco store, scrap yard vehicles without licences parked on pavement and new crimes website figures issues were discussed.

It was noted that litter picking organised by Whaley Bridge Association would be taking place on Saturday at 11 o'clock for which sponsorship/ support would be welcomed.

C10/155 Open Forum

Sue Rowlands requested the support of the council in securing the return of two of the valves recently replaced at Toddbrook Reservoir, for display in Whaley Bridge. These had been installed 100 years ago by local firm, Drinkwaters and present an ideal opportunity to preserve living history.

Sue Rowlands raised concerns about the recent complete covering over with tar macadam of the tramway rails on Bingswood Avenue. It was noted that HPBC conservation officer Jo Brooks had indicated that the rails would be protected by this covering and there was currently no budget available to expose a suitable length of them.

Mr Geoff Sullivan requested support for the HGV drivers negotiating the junction of Canal Street and Market Street and needs of businesses on the industrial estate and suggested provision of a Bailey Bridge over the canal.

C10/156 Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 13th January 2011

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 13th January 2011 were a true and correct record and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

It was noted with respect to Minute No. C10/145, that GOGS had not at the present time indicated any interest in ownership of the field.

C10/157 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report was received.

C10/158 Accounts for Payment

It was **RESOLVED** that the accounts as listed below should be authorised for payment.

Chq	Payee	Description	Amount
1983	Shelter Maintenance Co	Bus shelter cleaning	98.88
1984	Peartree Print	Newsletter printing & Stat'y	223.02
1985	HPBC	Xmas Tree work	397.58
1986	Stanway & Hallows	Electrical works various	790.68
1987	Johnston Publishing Ltd	Grants & Donation Advert.	75.26
1989	Network Rail	Station work contribution	1200.00
1990	Peartree Print	Ink Cartridges	35.12
1991	Mechanics Institute	February 2011 Account	571.82
1992	Cash	Petty Cash – February a/c	33.09
0330	Calor Gas Ltd	SA – Gas x 4 cylinders	238.90
0331	Shorrock Trichem Ltd	SA – Cleaning materials	5.82
0332	HPBC	SA - Rates	145.00
0333	Calor Gas Ltd	SA – Gas - tank to Cylinders	699.13
		TOTAL	£ 4514.30

C10/159 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

Hope Valley & High Peak Community Rail Partnership – Cllr Pritchard reported an invitation from the partnership for any organisation with space where officers could work when in the area to contact Martin Smith.

It was agreed to e-mail Martin Smith to check requirements.

Sports Pavilion/Park Warden – Cllr Goldfinch reported from the recent meeting that the Calor Gas cylinders are now installed and working at the pavilion. HPBC are looking to house the Park Warden in the Pavilion soon, but do not intend to make a financial contribution. Proposals for changes to the pavilion to accommodate the Warden had been rejected by the Football Club, but a temporary solution had been agreed.

Cllr Pritchard reported that a new or sub lease for the Football Club to manage the facilities was being investigated by HPBC and Joan Higgins is now in post in property services.

C10/160 Correspondence

1. Ringmaster – press release, results of the Christmas anti-drink drive campaign.
2. RAD – information about financial inclusion Derbyshire for display.
3. Ringmaster – Public engagement events invitation.
4. HP & HV CRP – copy of comments regarding the proposals detailed in the Public Transport Services Consultation.
5. Ringmaster – press release, regarding Operation Blackbrook.
6. Ringmaster – message from Trading Standards regarding cold calling not being normal practice of reputable companies.
7. Peak District NPA – decision notice granting permission for planning application NP/HPK/1010/1023 regarding Barnaby House, Taxal.
8. Peak District NPA – notice of withdrawal of planning application NP/HPK/0710/0658 for proposed new farmhouse at Shallcross Wood Farm.
9. Friends of the Peak District – eNewsletter.
10. Cllr Pritchard – copy of information from HP & HV CRP relating to DCC Cabinet budget report, with particular reference to removal of rail fare concessions relating to Gold Cards.
11. WB Welldressing Group - thanks for funding towards the Welldressing Marquee for 2011 and invitation to event 18th June to 3rd July 2011.
12. New Resident – seeking advice and information about measures to improve the Library as a community Space and increase activity.
13. Cllr Goldfinch – e-mail information about to Tesco planning application.

14. DCC – notice of proposed changes to B5470 Chapel-en-le-Frith to Whaley Bridge Speed Limit Order.
15. Ringmaster – appeal for information following thefts of catalytic converters from vehicles 25/26th January.
16. HPBC – information on appeal by Ruttle Contracting Ltd against refusal of planning permission in respect of Taxal Lodge application. Local Hearing will start on Tuesday 01 March 2011 at the Boardroom, Pavilion Gardens, Buxton. **(Planning Agenda)**
17. Ringmaster – Distraction Burglary Campaign and list of 10 most wanted.
18. Ringmaster – report and request for information on theft of gas bottles from Whaley Bridge Scout hut.
19. Ringmaster – campaign launch to recruit Special Constables.
20. Ringmaster – DVLA scam e-mail warning.
21. Ringmaster – press release about Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements.
22. COGS – thanks to WBTC for supporting their request for QE II status.
23. Sam Gray – information about Skate park consultation meeting at MI on Wednesday 9th February 2011, Skate park litter pick on Saturday 12th February 2011 and Whaley film show on Thursday 10th 2011.
24. Ringmaster – report of two persons in custody and recovery of stolen hedge trimmers.
25. Action for Market Towns – membership information. **(WBTC has access to information through HPBC membership – access details have been requested.)**
26. The Buxton Spa Express – information
27. Derbyshire Community Foundation – notice of surgeries with half hour one to one slots for discussion of funding requirements. High Peak venue – Volunteer Centre, Buxton on 29th March 10am-3.30pm **(No-one indicated interest to attend)**
28. HPBC – Development Control Committee Agenda for Monday 14th February 2011.
29. Ringmaster – Whaley SNT area policing priorities meeting report.
30. Ringmaster – launch of new Derbyshire Constabulary website.
31. DCC – Proposed 7.5 Tonne Environmental Weight Restriction Order – Chapel-en-le-Frith, Whaley Bridge and Chinley areas.
32. Groundwork – confirmation of work on Sough starting Wednesday 9th February 2011.
33. Chapel-en-le-Frith PC – HPBC shared services request for meeting with 5 central area parishes.

34. Ringmaster – Bogus officials/distraction burglaries awareness raising.
35. RAD – request for suitable meeting facilities for an astronomy group.
36. Public Service Events – notice of Re-designing Local Services event at the Barbican London on 23rd March 2011.
37. Public Service Events – notice of Health and Safety Reform event at the Barbican London on 13th April 2011.
38. Ringmaster – Advice to drivers and pedestrians following fatal collisions.
39. Cllr Jon Goldfinch – copy of Tesco Whaley Bridge Letter.
40. Cllr Susanne Lomas – e-mail on behalf of the community of Furness Vale, thanking all involved in securing two bollards at the Yardsley Lane Buxton Road junction.
41. Mike Morris (HPBC) – confirmation of HPBC membership of Action For Market Towns including membership for all 5 towns in the Borough.
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DALC Circulars and Information 2011 – Content	
06	General: The Queen's 20112 Diamond Jubilee (Including letter from Secretary of State for Culture encouraging Parish /Town celebrations and outlining Big Lottery Funding for Community Group, Diamond Jubilee Projects: Vacancy – Clerk Unstone PC; Vacancy - Clerk/RFO Stanton in the Paek PC.
07	General: Change of Derby Venue for Public Engagement Event 2011; Looking after War Memorials; Dronfield Town Council – Clerk Vacancy; Dronfield Town Council – RFO Vacancy; Baslow & Bubnell PC – Clerk/RFO Vacancy.
08	General: Clerks' Day, Wednesday 13 th April; Edale PC vacancy Clerk/RFO
09	General: HMRC Business Education & Support Teams Presentation – 'What's New for Employers'; East Midland Planning Aid; Local Council and VAT.
11	General: The abolition of the default retirement age; The Public Forest Estate; Lower Derwent Flood Risk Management Scheme; Derbyshire Constabulary Annual Parish Councils' evening – Tuesday 12 th October 2010 comments & Questions.
12	Training: Power of Well Being Training – Wed.22 nd June 2011, Ockbrook; Law & Good Practice Course for Parish Councillors - Wed 22 nd June 2011 Ockbrook.

C10/161 Variation of Order of Business

RESOLVED: To bring Item 13 Regeneration Partnership/Regeneration Projects forward and take before Item 10 Precept and Budget Estimates for 2011/12 – Draft 2 for approval.

C10/162 Regeneration Partnership/Regeneration Projects

The meeting received information from the final meeting of the Regeneration Partnership, following HPBC changes to regeneration. Implications and needs for Whaley Bridge were discussed.

It was noted that HPBC intended to continue discussions with United Utilities and look for funding in respect of the Goyt River Bridge.

It was agreed that the Town Council should be involved in HPBC meetings with United Utilities and the way forward for regeneration in Whaley Bridge should be extended to all interested parties.

It was agreed to arrange a meeting with all parties interested in Whaley Bridge and its regeneration after the elections in May and to include regeneration on the Agendas for the 1st meeting of the new council and the Annual Town Meeting.

C10/163 Precept and Budget Estimates for 2011/12

Budget Estimates Draft 2 and the amount of the Parish Grant from High Peak Borough Council were received and the options discussed.

RESOLVED: To adjust the budget as presented in Draft 2 by reducing the firework display budget from £1200 to £1000 and the regeneration budget from £5000 to £0 and to set the precept at £70,360.

C10/164 Provision of Payroll Services

Six quotes for provision of payroll services were received.

RESOLVED: To accept the quote from Derbyshire County Council to provide payroll services from 1st April 2011 at a cost of £144 per year plus an initial set up cost of £285. Total for 2011/12 £429.

C10/165 Variation of Order of Business

RESOLVED: To bring item 17 Toddbrook Reservoir Valves Project and item 14 Brookfield Pond Fishing Platforms forward and take before item 12 Grants & Donations.

C10/166 Toddbrook Reservoir Valves Project

A verbal report and invitation for questions was received from Cllr Pritchard.

C10/167 Brookfield Pond – Additional Fishing Platforms

A letter was received from Mark Stores of MSSAS requesting permission to install and contribution towards cost of purchase of up to six disabled fishing platforms (£60 each) at Brookfield Pond.

Cllr Taylor reported that a site meeting had identified suitable positions for a maximum of three of these.

RESOLVED: To approve installation of three additional fishing platforms in the identified positions and consider a contribution from Grants and Donations.

C10/168 Grants and Donations to Local Organisations

Cllr Mrs Leather declared an interest and left the meeting for Item 2.

Cllr Jean Horsfall declared an interest and left the meeting for Item 5.

Cllr Pritchard declared an interest and left the meeting for Item 7.

RESOLVED: To make the following grants and donations:

	£
1. Whaley Bridger Welldressing Group - grant towards children's welldressings	100.00
2. Furness Vale COGS – grant towards children’s Annual Field Day activities	100.00
3. Whaley Bridge Band – grant towards band expenses & learner group instruments	200.00
4. Whaley Bridge Community Trust – grant towards heaters.	150.00
5. Whaley Bridge Rose Queen Festival Committee – grant towards new entertainment for carnival	100.00
6. Toddbrook Reservoir Valves Restoration Project - grant towards project	210.00
7. Moss Side Social Angling Society - grant towards Brookfield Pond disabled fishing platforms	100.00
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>£960.00</u>

It was agreed to ask organisations to acknowledge WBTC donations on their websites.

C10/169 Annual Town Meeting

RESOLVED: To hold the Annual Town Meeting on 15th April 2011.

C10/170 NHS Trust Consultation

A letter was received from Derbyshire Community Health Service seeking feedback on becoming an NHS Trust.

It was agreed to make individual replies.

C10/171 Bus Shelter Repair

Information was received about damage to the bus shelter at Furness Vale – Soldier Dick PH and insurance claim.

RESOLVED: To approve expenditure of £100 insurance excess and for the repairs to be carried out.

C10/172 Street Trading Consent Application

A street trading consent application for a food van on Long Hill was received. Members had no comment to submit.

C10/173 Rent Increase for Space over Garage at Mechanics Institute

A letter was received from Frederic Robinson Limited proposing a rent increase.

It was agreed to present this to a Trustee meeting. Also Cllr Swift requested to approach Robinsons to ask for the sale of this area, including the garage, to be considered again.

C10/174 Bank at Horwich End – Reduction of Opening Hours

The meeting received a verbal report that, contrary to indications in the response received from them in October 2010, the Royal Bank of Scotland at Horwich End was reducing its opening hours by a further 25% and would now be closed on Monday as well as Wednesday.

It was agreed that a letter be sent, with reference to the previous correspondence, to point out that this is a vital service

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

.....Chair

List of Abbreviations:

Cllr	Councillor
WBTC	Whaley Bridge Town Council
HPBC	High Peak Borough Council
DCC	Derbyshire County Council
PDNPA	Peak District National Park Authority
PDSEG	Peak District Sustainable Energy Group
WBA	Whaley Bridge Association
W3	Whaley Water Weekend
SA	Sports Association
MUGA	Multi-Use Games Area
PC	Police Constable
PCSO	Police Community Support Officer
SNT	Safer Neighbourhoods Team
HP&HV CRP	High Peak & Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
DALC	Derbyshire Association of Local Councils
DRCC	Derbyshire Rural Community Council
SLCC	Society of Local Council Clerks
CVS	Council for Voluntary Services
CAB	Citizens Advice Bureau
EMDA	East Midlands Development Agency
DDEP	Derby & Derbyshire Economic Partnership
DEP (now)	Derbyshire Economic Partnership
DDHPAP	Derbyshire Dales and High Peak Accessibility Partnership
HPCH	High Peak Community Housing
RAD	Rural Action Derbyshire
SEMMMS	South East Manchester Multi Modal Study
HLF	Heritage Lottery Fund
WBFC	Whaley Bridge Football Club
DALGS	Derbyshire Aggregates Levy Grant Scheme
COGS	Community Organising Green Space (Furness Vale)