

WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

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Meeting: Town Council
Date: 10th November 2011
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: Mechanics Institute
Present: Councillors Goldfinch (Chairman), Bowden, Gilmour, Linda Leather (until 8.10pm), Susanne Lomas (until 9pm), Pritchard, Swift, Taylor, Thomas, Wild and Mrs Anne Winter.

MINUTES

C111/120 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Lomax.

C111/121 Declarations of Members' Interests (1)

Cllr Thomas Agenda Item 8 Director of High Peak CVS

C111/122 Open Forum

Mr Jim Gregory requested the council's assistance with claiming a path across land owned by Bothomes Hall, Bridgemont, as a public right of way.

Mr Danny Hughes circulated letters received by the residents of Shallcross Mill Cottages stating that parking fines would be imposed on vehicles parked on Shallcross Mill Road and the Morris Homes development roads without a permit. This would be enforced by Moorside (Whaley Bridge) Management Company Ltd. Shallcross Mill Road and adjoining roads on the housing development are unadopted by DCC.

RESOLVED: That the matter would be discussed at the Planning Committee Meeting following this Town Council meeting.

C111/123 Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 13th October 2011

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

C111/124 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report was received.

C11/125 Accounts for Payment

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

Chq	Payee	Description	Amount
2097	Global Collect BV	Bullguard subs renewal	44.95
2098	CCMA Services Ltd	Payroll Sept – Dec 2011	99.94
2099	Peartree Print	Stationery	12.56
2100	HMRC	PAYE & NI Oct – Nov 2011	1167.20
2101	Mechanics Institute	November 2011 account	633.24
2102	RBL Poppy Appeal	3 x Poppy wreaths	51.00
2103	F Frodsham/Piranha	Grounds maintenance	672.50
2104	Petty cash	Petty cash November 2011	40.48
0359	CCMA Services Ltd	SA – Payroll Sept – Dec 2011	64.94
0360	Gaspoint Services Ltd	SA – Safety inspection	93.00
0361	Shorrock Trichem Ltd	SA – Cleaning materials	18.28
0362	Calor Gas Ltd	SA – Calor gas	126.03
0363	R H Longden	SA – Pavilion roof repairs	90.00
0364	Petty cash	SA – Petty cash November	20.00
0365	HPBC	SA – Rates	152.00
TOTAL £			3286.12

C11/126 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

Cllr John Swift reported that he had visited **Brookfield Pond Nature Reserve** with Cllr Taylor to assess the recommendations resulting from the Tree Survey carried out by Derbyshire County Council.

RESOLVED: To obtain quotations for remedial work required to four trees.

He also reported that the damaged **grit bin on Beech Rise** would be useable for this winter season but should be replaced next year.

Cllr Martin Thomas reported on the **Whaley4Wards** meeting held on 9th November 2011. Projects had been prioritised as follows:

1. Shallcross Incline Footpath signage
2. Relocating the heritage red telephone box
3. Litter pick at the Canal Basin on 26th November 2011
4. Minor refurbishment work to the Sports Pavilion and Mechanics Institute

Cllr Martin Thomas reported on the second meeting of **the Bingswood Access and Canal Basin Regeneration Panel** held on 19th October 2011. The minutes and a Mission Statement were received. It was agreed that Cllr Gilmour would join this working group.

C11/127 Correspondence

1. Friends of the Peak District – invitation to participate in Miller’s Dale Bridge abseil on 19th November 2011.
2. DCC – response to highways issues raised about the Bridgemont roundabout and signals at Horwich End.
3. Whaley Hall – invitation to donate towards the new chapel floor.
4. NCVO – notice and invitation for AGM on 10th November in London.
5. Cllr John Pritchard – copy of response from HPBC regarding Dog Fouling Stations with particular reference to British Waterway owned sites.
6. Peak District NPA – copy of Core Strategy Development Plan Document – Adopted October 2011.
7. Ringmaster – request for information about two crimes in Whaley Bridge.
8. BT payphones – confirmation of decommissioning of Bings Road telephone kiosk.
9. HPBC – Leader, Caitlin Bisknell, seeking views and advice on how to develop a working relationship between Borough and Town/Parish Councils. Initial meeting reserved for Thursday 24th November at Chapel-en-le-Frith Golf Club 7pm – 9pm suggestions for this initial and future meetings and appropriate times and venues welcomed.
10. Whaley4wards – minutes of fifth meeting.
11. Ringmaster – launch of new non-emergency police number 101.
12. Ringmaster - press release about Operation Calanthia scrap dealer week.
13. Ringmaster – Voucher scam warning
14. HPBC – report of Whaley Bridge and Furness Vale community conversations.
15. HPBC – Snow clearance information.
16. Ringmaster – public engagement events from 7pm to 9pm to be held on 21st November at the Railway Hotel Buxton and on 22nd November at Bakewell Agricultural Business Centre.
17. Ringmaster – Darker evening advice.
18. Ringmaster – WB SNT area priority profiles.
19. NALC – additional copies of ‘How to respond to planning applications’
20. Cllr Susanne Lomas – extract of e-mail reply to Andrew Wild regarding dog fouling complaint and Yeadsley Lane traffic problems.
21. RB Agricultural Services – information about snow clearing services.
22. Ringmaster – reminder about purse security.
23. Barry Wood – Winter Maintenance services information.
24. DCC – notice of proposed revocation of waiting restriction on east side of Old Road from a point 47 metres south of its junction with Beech Road in a southerly direction to its junction with Bings Road. **Notice Board**

25. Open Spaces Society – newsletter Open Space – Autumn 2011
26. Ringmaster – Cold callers advice
27. Cllr Jon Goldfinch – copy of e-mail to HPBC Planning requesting consideration of issues regarding potential impact on Whaley Bridge of proposed Buxton Tesco store.
28. Cllr Jon Goldfinch – e-mail re: fireworks and Goyt Valley Round Table .
29. HPBC – copy of invitation from Matlock Partnership to Market Towns Forum Meeting on 17th November at the Imperial Rooms Matlock
30. Ringmaster – press release regarding appeal for help to find man missing for 5 months.
31. HPBC – notification of allocation of £1000 to each councillor each year to help projects in their area/ward and £4000 each for Regeneration Partnerships in Whaley Bridge, New Mills and Chapel-en-le-Frith.
32. WBTC Second Bridge and TSW Working Group minutes of second meeting on 19th October 2011.
33. Forestry Commission – copy of Goyt Valley Forest Design Plan, inviting comments by 24th November 2011 to be taken into account before submission of final plan for Forest Authority approval. **Copy given to Cllr Swift.**
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DALC Circulars and Information 2011 – Content	
51	General Circular – Rural Action Derbyshire – Oil Buying Scheme; The Localism Bill – a Further Update; Environment Agency Issues Groundwater Consultation
52	Clerk’s Day – 2012
53	General Circular – Advice Derbyshire Conference 2011 “The Value and Future of Advice Services” Free Event 15 th November, The Winding Wheel, Chesterfield; DCC Free Event, Developing and Growing Voluntary Youth Activities Across Derbyshire, Wednesday 23 rd November 2011 5.30pm – 8.00pm, County Hall, Matlock; DCC Community Response Plans – Severe Winter Weather; DCC Minor maintenance Scheme – Public Rights of Way.
54	General Circular – The Future of Standards of Conduct for Members of Local Authorities; Postal Scam.

C11/ 128 Refilling Grit Bins

A quotation was received from Ken Frodsham for £430 to refill the 25 WBTC partnership grit bins. It was noted that DCC had delivered and filled the free grit bin (DCC Winter Service Scheme 2011) on Yardsley Lane, Furness Vale.

RESOLVED: To authorise Ken Frodsham to refill the 25 grit bins (£430) and obtain the grit salt (two tonnes) from the DCC Chapel Depot (£34.49 + VAT per tonne plus a £10 admin fee).

C11/129 Producing a Neighbourhood Plan

Information received from Action for Market Towns on producing a Neighbourhood Development Plan had been circulated. This subject had also been discussed at the WBA meeting held on 2nd November 2011 and it was proposed to set up a meeting with Joe Dugdale (Rural Action Derbyshire), together with representatives from other community organisations, to discuss producing a Local Neighbourhood Development Plan. The Clerk reported that she would be meeting with Jo Bagnall (HPBC Regeneration Planning Officer) to discuss what assistance, resources and funding would be offered by the Borough Council to help with this project.

RESOLVED: To produce a Local Neighbourhood Development Plan and form a working group to progress the project consisting of Cllrs Pritchard, Taylor, Thomas, Bowden and Goldfinch.

RESOLVED: To inform High Peak Borough Council about the intentions of the Town Council and set up a meeting to discuss the way forward.

C11/130 Paths Across Land at Bothomes Hall

Cllr Pritchard gave background information regarding paths across land at Bothomes Hall, Bridgemont, which had been used regularly by local residents for over 20 years but were not on the Definitive Map as Public Rights of Way.

RESOLVED: To suspend Standing Orders at 8.45pm to allow Mr Jim Gregory to discuss the issues with members.

It was agreed that Mr Gregory would identify the route used by local residents and that he would obtain completed User Evidence Forms from 20 or more people stating that they had used the path unhindered for over 20 years. Following receipt of this information, it would be decided whether to submit an application to Derbyshire County Council requesting that the path be designated as an official Public Right of Way.

RESOLVED: To resume Standing Orders at 8.55pm.

C11/131 Relocating Red Heritage Telephone Box

Ownership of the box had been transferred to the Town Council. At the W4W meeting held on 9/11/2011, it had been agreed that the preferred location for the telephone box was at the Station Car Park and, secondly, in front of the Railway public house on Market Street.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk obtain approval and/or Planning Permission for the telephone box to be sited at the Station Car Park (owned by HPBC) for use as a public information point.

C11/132 HPBC Parish Liaison Meeting – Agenda Items

A letter was received from Cllr Caitlin Bisknell, Leader of HPBC, stating that a Parish Liaison meeting would be held on 24th November 2011 and requesting items for the agenda.

RESOLVED: To request the following items be included on the agenda:

1. Producing a Local Neighbourhood Development Plan
2. Administration of the £4000 Regeneration Budget allocated to WBTC.
3. Unadopted roads and Section 38 Agreements with DCC.

C11/133 Shallcross Incline Interpretation Boards

The Shallcross Incline footpath, connecting New Road to Shallcross Road, is nearing completion and already being used by the public. It was noted that Whaley4Wards were investigating providing route signage along the length of the disused Cromford and High Peak Railway within the parish to include the new Shallcross Incline Footpath. DCC would also be providing some simple information signs as part of the Shallcross Incline Scheme.

The £650 Going Local Grant from HPBC towards the scheme would still be available following receipt of more detailed information about the scheme and associated costs.

RESOLVED: To provide HPBC with the specification and costs for the scheme.

RESOLVED: To discuss the design, provision and funding of signs and interpretation boards for the Shallcross Incline with Wayne Bexton at DCC.

C11/134 Horwich End Notice Board

It was agreed that the notice board at Horwich End needed to be replaced.

RESOLVED: To obtain quotations for a new notice board.

C11/135 Commemorative Coronation Rowan Trees at the Canal Basin

The Woodland Trust has uncovered a Royal Record of the Tree Planting carried out in honour of King George VI's Coronation. Whaley Bridge Coronation Rowans are mentioned on Page 45. Twenty-six rowan trees were planted alongside Buxton Road at the canal basin in 1937 to commemorate the coronation of King George VI. Some of these trees are now missing and others are in a poor condition. The land is owned by British Waterways.

RESOLVED: That Cllrs Swift and Taylor survey the remaining trees and recommend appropriate action to preserve the trees.

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

.....Chair

List of Abbreviations:

AMT	Action for Market Towns
CAB	Citizens Advice Bureau
Cllr	Councillor
COGS	Community Organising Green Space (Furness Vale)
CVS	Council for Voluntary Services
DALC	Derbyshire Association of Local Councils
DALGS	Derbyshire Aggregates Levy Grant Scheme
DCC	Derbyshire County Council
DDEP	Derby & Derbyshire Economic Partnership
DDHPAP	Derbyshire Dales and High Peak Accessibility Partnership
DEP (now)	Derbyshire Economic Partnership
DRCC	Derbyshire Rural Community Council
EMDA	East Midlands Development Agency
HLF	Heritage Lottery Fund
HP&HV CRP	High Peak & Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership
HPBC	High Peak Borough Council
HPCH	High Peak Community Housing
MUGA	Multi-Use Games Area
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
PC	Police Constable
PCSO	Police Community Support Officer
PDNPA	Peak District National Park Authority
PDSEG	Peak District Sustainable Energy Group
RAD	Rural Action Derbyshire
SA	Sports Association
SEMMMS	South East Manchester Multi Modal Study
SLCC	Society of Local Council Clerks
SNT	Safer Neighbourhoods Team
W3	Whaley Water Weekend
W4W	Whaley4wards
WBA	Whaley Bridge Association
WBFC	Whaley Bridge Football Club
WBTC	Whaley Bridge Town Council