

WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge, High Peak, SK23 7AA
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Meeting: Town Council
Date: 8th September 2011
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: Mechanics Institute
Present: Councillors Goldfinch (Chairman), Bowden, Linda Leather (until 8.30pm), Susanne Lomas (until 9.05pm), Lomax, Pritchard, Swift (until 8.50pm), Taylor (until 9pm), Wild and Mrs Anne Winter. PC Andy Crosthwaite.

MINUTES

C11/82 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Gilmour and Thomas.

C11/83 Declarations of Members' Interests (3)

Cllr Goldfinch	Agenda Item 21	Member of Sports Assoc Executive
Cllr Anne Winter	Agenda Item 20	Chair of Governors for Whaley Bridge Primary School
Cllr David Lomax	Agenda Item 20	Member of Chapel Mobile Physio Service

C11/84 Community Police

PC Andy Crosthwaite reported crime statistics for the previous month.

Cllr Pritchard registered concern about illegal parking on double yellow lines. PC Crosthwaite stated that the police do not issue fixed penalty notices anymore unless the parking is causing an obstruction or there is a dangerous element. Civil parking enforcement officers now deal with parking offences.

C11/85 Open Forum

Mr Maxwell Wassell and Mr Rick Heys registered concern about the planning application for development adjacent to 87 Chapel Road. They were supported by 14 people attending the meeting also objecting to this application.

C11/86 Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 14th July 2011

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 14th July 2011 were a true and correct record and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

C11/87 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report was received.

C11/88 Accounts for Payment

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

Chq	Payee	Description	Amount
2056	T & F Out of School Club	Donation	100.00
2057	F Frodsham	Grounds maintenance	622.50
2058	Peartree Print	Printing	372.19
2059	HPBC	Payroll – July 2011	2623.42
2060	HPBC	Memorial Park Project	2000.00
2061	Shelter Maintenance Co	Bus shelter cleaning	59.33
2062	Audit Commission	Audit fee	480.00
2063	CPRE	Subscription	29.00
2064	Mechanics Institute	August account	582.32
2065	MAP Ltd	Newsletter distribution	126.00
2066	Johnston Publishing Ltd	Grants advert	75.26
2067	Local Auth Publishing	Reprinting Town Guides	808.00
2068	HPBC	Skip hire for litter pick	50.00
2069	Mechanics Institute	September account	566.57
2070	Cash	Petty cash – September	77.93
2071	Cash	Petty cash – Additional Sept	7.08
2072	Cllr Susanne Lomas	FV Meeting expenses	10.63
2073	FV Community Assoc	Room hire for meeting	19.50
2074	S Raybould	Payroll – September	1274.18
2075	B Wise	Payroll – September	325.70
0350	HPBC	SA – Payroll July 2011	224.65
0351	HPBC	SA – Rates	152.00
0352	Southern Electric	SA – Electricity	69.97
0353	Cash	SA – Petty cash September	8.50
0354	P Bowling	SA – Payroll September	113.04
TOTAL			£ 10777.77

C11/89 Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies

Cllr Pritchard stated that there would be a meeting of the High Peak and Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership in the Mechanics Institute on 13th September 2011 when proposals to close ticket offices at stations between Hazel Grove and Buxton, would be discussed.

C11/90 Correspondence

1. Peak District NPA – 2011 Parishes Day on Saturday 1st October 2011.
Copy requested by Cllr Taylor.
2. High Peak CAB – Report on service at Whaley Bridge 2010/2011.
Request that a copy is sent to Whaley Bridge Community Website.
3. Ringmaster – WB SNT area policing priority.
4. Ringmaster – incidents of scams to obtain bank details.

5. Cllr Pritchard – e-mail information about Hope Valley evening trains.
6. Ringmaster – 8th year of crime reduction in Derbyshire.
7. DCC – proposed prohibition of waiting restrictions – Woodbrook and Woodbrook Court.
8. Furness Vale Resident - David Easton letter regarding traffic concerns in Furness Vale.
9. High Peak CVS – notification of proposal to merge resources with Derby Dales CVS and RAD and consultation.
10. Macmillan Cancer support – invitation to hold a coffee morning on their behalf.
11. Peak District NPA – Parish Speak Newsletter Summer 2011.
12. British Waterways – response to mink control, with no proposal to undertake mink trapping in the short term. **Notice Board**
13. Open Spaces Society – notice of consideration of two new consultations on greens and green spaces.
14. Ringmaster – Freedom Programme for Domestic Abuse.
15. CPRE – Fieldwork Summer 2011 issue.
16. RHS – promotion of ‘in Bloom’ opportunities
17. Peak Park parishes’ Forum – AGM papers for Saturday 1st October 2011 and Newsletter Summer 2011 issue.
18. Derbyshire County PCT – reviewing the future of the birth centres in Darley Dale and Buxton (Corbar). **Notice Board**
19. Peak District NPA – reminder encouraging attendance of ‘Parishes Day’ 2011 on Saturday 1st October 2011 at Hope Valley College. Theme – Planning for the Future.
20. HPBC – Friends of Memorial Park Fun Day, 25th September 2011 invitation to attend and opportunity for groups to raise funds or awareness.
21. HPBC Leader Cllr Caitlin Bisknell – thanks for opportunity to attend the Town Council meeting and follow up information on issues raised with her.
22. Northern Rail, Mark Barker – response on station car park advising that the temporary ticket office is due to be removed but will probably be closely followed by a compound for materials for reconstruction of the Buxton platform, scheduled for 10/2011 to 03/2012.
23. RAD – information from Big Lottery Fund – Rural Campaign to help declining East Midlands villages thrive.
24. Vitalise –request for grant aid for provision of respite cars breaks.
25. Ringmaster – information about Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC) and funding secured until March 2014.
26. Mr & Mrs Dugate – thanks for provision of the skip that enabled them to clear all the rubbish from the allotment they took tenancy of in April 2011.

27. Peak Park Parishes Forum – update that there are now 3 vacancies on the Management Committee for filling at the AGM on 1st October 2011.
28. NHS Derby City and NHS Derbyshire County PCT – request for views on review of Darley and Corbar Birth Centres and invitation to related public meetings, Pavilion Gardens, Buxton on Friday 30th September 9.30 – 11.30 and Monday 3rd October 7.30 – 9.30.
29. Kinder Mountain Rescue – final call for Charity Ball tickets.
30. RAD – invitation to AGM on Wednesday 28th September 2011 at 1.30pm, Little Eaton Village Hall. RSVP by 23rd September.
31. Letter from Fr Jamie requesting support for signs for Whaley Hall.
Agreed to write to DCC in support of this request, as Whaley Hall is difficult to locate.
32. Dave Lees – e-mail that ‘new’ development (No 23) adjacent to 21 Cotton Close being granted planning permission following an appeal, seriously raises the profile of adoption of Cotton Close. He requests consideration by council for action in support of residents. **Agreed to inform Cllr Caitlin Bisknell of this problem and request her involvement. DCC state that it is a civil matter and residents need to seek legal advice and take the matter up with the developer.**
33. High Peak & Hope Valley CRP – papers for next meeting on 13th September 2011.
34. Ringmaster – Operation Calanthia, targeting metal theft.
35. Ringmaster – Child Car Seat Campaign press release.
36. WB Royal British Legion – invitation to 90th Anniversary Band Concert on Friday 11th November 2011 at the Uniting Church 7.30 for 8.00 tickets £5 on the door and Remembrance service information. **(Circulated)**
37. Steve Rampley – e-mail requesting WBTC/HPBC action regarding dog excrement covering the football pitches, causing an H&S issue. **Agreed to inform Christine Latham at HPBC, requesting action be taken, particularly in respect of the junior football pitch. More anti-dog fouling signage required.**
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DALC Circulars and Information 2011 – Content	
35	Training Circular – CiLCA; AMT Project Funding; HM Revenue & Customs workshop.
36	General Circular - Derbyshire County Council Winter Service Questionnaire; DALC Executive Committee; Quick Employment Tips.
37	General Circular – The Localism Bill, progress so far; Open public services white paper; The Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Beacons
38	DALC President 2011-2012
39	General Circular – Associate membership of East Midlands councils – introductory offer

40	General Circular – DALC AGM 3 rd September 2011, “Get Derbyshire Working – making recruitment of young people affordable and effective” workshop 23 rd September 2011 at Chesterfield FC conference centre.
	DALC 65 th AGM Saturday 3 rd September 2011, County Hall Matlock at 11am, meeting papers. Also letter about the NPA questionnaire on communication for return by 30 th September 2011 and possibility of DALC assistance.
41	General – Consultation by DCC, Gritting the roads of Derbyshire; NALC/CLG Survey on Public Borrowing and Village Shops.
42	General – Localising support for Council Tax in England; Green Space East Midlands, Managing our cultural heritage workshop at Elvaston Castle on 8 th September 2011 10am-4pm hosted by DCC; Can you help, Work Experience; RAD AGM on Wednesday 28 th September 2011 at 1.30pm, Little Eaton Village Hall.
	Peak District Bright Sparks programme until 2013.

C11/91 DCC Winter Gritting Routes/Derbyshire Winter Service Scheme

Information was received from DCC giving details of the proposed highway gritting network for this winter. The associated survey was completed, to be submitted to DCC.

RESOLVED: That the council would participate in the Derbyshire Winter Service Scheme for 2011/12 and complete the form designating Yeadsley Lane as the location for the free DCC grit bin and request that Yeadsley Lane is included as a secondary route on the proposed new gritting schedules.

It was agreed that the Clerk would be the point of contact, Cllr Jon Goldfinch volunteered to become the Snow Warden and attend a training session and a list of WBTC grit bins would be sent to DCC. DCC will provide up to one tonne of salt and one grit bin free of charge.

C11/92 Furness Vale Public Meeting held on 5th September 2011

The minutes of this meeting were circulated.

Cllr Bowden reported on the meeting. Furness Vale residents were adamant that no further development should take place in Furness Vale due to the poor access roads.

A letter had been received by Furness Vale COGS from DCC regarding the ownership and restrictive designation placed on the playing field reserving the right to build a new primary school at this location in the future if required.

Cllr Taylor stated that the community proposal to use the playing field as a public open space is the best option for the site but including an area which could remain as earmarked for a new school if required. Cllr Pritchard stated that using Yeadsley Lane as the access road to a new school would be totally inadequate.

RESOLVED: To send a copy of the minutes of the meeting to Isobel Mulligan, DCC, requesting support for priority to be given to traffic travelling uphill along Yeadsley Lane.

RESOLVED: To arrange a site meeting on Yeadsley Lane with representatives from DCC to discuss traffic issues.

C11/93 Furness Vale War Memorial

A quotation for £160 was received from A. Dewberry to replace the chains around the Furness Vale War Memorial.

RESOLVED: To contact Gary Bevan to see if the original chains around the FV War Memorial could be refurbished.

Mr G Wild is storing a marble faced memorial to World War 1 servicemen which was removed from the FV Methodist Church prior to redevelopment. There is an amount of £250 available to cover relocating this plaque in a suitable location.

C11/94 Christmas Festivities 2011

It was noted that the Christmas festivities would take place in Whaley Bridge on Friday, 2nd December 2011.

RESOLVED: To request that United Utilities provide two Christmas Trees free of charge. If this is not possible, then to order the trees from HPBC.

RESOLVED: To contact the new landlords of the Soldier Dick to obtain permission to use the pub's electricity supply for the lights on the FV tree.

C11/95 Derbyshire Community Health Services Consultation on becoming an NHS Foundation Trust

A consultation document was received and discussed.

RESOLVED: To complete and return the questionnaire as agreed at the meeting.

C11/96 Furness Vale Notice Boards

A letter was received from Furness Vale COGS requesting financial assistance with the purchase of two notice boards to be placed at the entrances to the playing field at Yeadsley Lane.

RESOLVED: To fund the purchase of one notice board costing £439.00 plus VAT.

C11/97 RBS Bankline Mandate for the Provision of Internet Banking Services for Payroll Purposes

RESOLVED: To approve and sign the RBS Bankline Mandate for the provision of internet banking services for payroll purposes.

C11/98 WBTC Equal Opportunities Policy Statement

RESOLVED: To adopt the following Equal Opportunities Policy Statement:

“The Council is committed to reviewing, and, where necessary, changing how it does things to address disadvantage amongst the people it serves and its workforce.

The Council’s policy is to provide services fairly to all sections of the community and to give equal treatment to service users, employees and job applicants regardless of their sex, sexual orientation, marital status, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion, age or disability. The Council promotes the elimination of discrimination and complies with the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 (as amended), Race Relations Act 1976 (as amended) and Disability Discrimination Act 1995, together with relevant Codes of Practice and European Directives.

All Councillors, employees and those acting on behalf of the Council are responsible for implementing the policy and have a continuing duty to challenge discrimination.”

C11/99 HPBC Polling District Review

HPBC are undertaking a statutory review of polling districts within each ward. Information and maps were received showing the location of existing polling stations within the parish and comments invited regarding alternative premises.

RESOLVED: That existing arrangements for polling stations within the parish were acceptable and no alternatives suggested.

C11/100 Items for Autumn Newsletter

Suggestions for items to be included in the Autumn newsletter were received.

C11/101 Grants and Donations to Local Organisations

RESOLVED: To make the following grants and donations:

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1.	Whaley Bridge Primary School – request for donation towards their Centenary project to convert old toilets into an art classroom.	100.00
2.	Chapel-en-le-Frith Mobile Physiotherapy Service	150.00
3.	Whaley Bridge Royal British Legion – grant towards cost of the Remembrance Day Service Parade	100.00
4.	1 st Taxal Scout Group – grant for replacement tents	150.00
5.	Whaley Bridge Band – donation towards two Baritones for the Learner Group.	200.00
6.	Kinder Mountain Rescue Team - donation towards updating two team ambulances	100.00

7.	Furness COGS – donation towards providing newsletter	50.00
8.	WB Cricket Club – donation towards safety fencing	150.00
9.	High Peak Twins & Multiples Club – donation towards play session costs.	50.00

TOTAL £1050.00

C11/102 Funding Applications for Resurfacing the Multi-Use Games Area Project

Cllr Goldfinch gave background details for the two bids for funding being submitted for resurfacing and refurbishing the multi-use games area.

The total cost of the scheme is estimated to be £89,000 to include a 3G surface, disability access works to the pavilion, improved fencing and recessed spectator areas. It is hoped the Football Foundation will fund the majority of the cost and £29,000 is being sought from WREN.

RESOLVED: That WBTC would be the lead applicant for both applications.

It was proposed that the facility would be leased to Whaley Bridge Football Club at some time in the future. An email, dated 8th September 2011, was received from Steve Rampley (WBAFC) proposing some amendments to the bid application and these were discussed and agreed.

C11/103 BT Adopt a Red Kiosk Scheme

A contract had been received from BTplc for adopting the decommissioned red telephone kiosk on Bings Road for £1. It is intended to relocate the kiosk to a more useful site within the conservation area for use as an information point.

RESOLVED: That the contract be signed to adopt the red telephone kiosk.

C11/104 Approved Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2011

The accounts and Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2011 had been audited by the Audit Commission and approved with no comments or action to be taken.

C11/105 New Water Boiler for Mechanics Institute

The Clerk reported that the water boiler in the Mechanics Institute was corroded and leaking badly. A plumber had made attempts to repair the boiler but without success, necessitating emptying the tank and leaving the building without hot water.

RESOLVED: To take urgent action to replace the boiler to reinstate the hot water supply.

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)
W4W	Whaley4wards