

WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge, High Peak, SK23 7AA

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Meeting: Annual Town Council
Date: 14th May 2015
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: Mechanics Institute
Present: Councillors Bowden, Zara Clarke, Lomax, Gilmour, Goldfinch, Swift, Taylor, Thomas, Wild, and Mrs Anne Winter.

MINUTES

C15/01 Election of Chair

RESOLVED: That Cllr Martin Thomas be elected Chair for 2015/16.

C15/02 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs John Pritchard and Susanne Lomas.

C15/03 Declaration of Acceptance of Office Forms

Cllr Thomas signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office Form as the new Chair and members present signed their new acceptance of office forms following uncontested election at the Town & Parish elections held on 7th May 2015.

C15/04 Completion of Members' Interests Forms

New Members' Interests Forms were circulated for completion. Copies will be returned to Linden Vernon at HPBC.

C15/05 Declaration of Members Interests - None

C15/06 Election of Vice Chair

RESOLVED: That Cllr David Lomax be elected as Vice Chair.

C15/07 Appointment of Chaplain 2015/16

RESOLVED: That Rev Margaret Jones be appointed as Chaplain.

C15/08 Chair's Allowance

RESOLVED: That the Chair's Allowance be set at £300.

C15/09 Standing Orders

RESOLVED: That the current Standing Orders be re-adopted.

C15/10 Financial Regulations and Risk Assessment

The current Financial Regulations and Risk Assessment dated 16th April 2015 were approved, adopted, and signed by Cllr Thomas (Chair).

C15/11 Planning Committee

RESOLVED: That the Planning Committee be the whole council, meeting during each Town Council meeting plus the second Thursday in August and that the Planning Committee has delegated powers to make recommendations on planning applications.

C15/12 Cheque Signing Panel

RESOLVED: That Cllrs Lomax, Mrs Anne Winter, Thomas, and Goldfinch be appointed as the cheque-signing panel.

C15/13 Appointments to Advisory Panels

Bingswood Access and Canal Basin Regeneration Panel:

It was agreed that this be a future council meeting agenda item.

Whaley4Wards: Cllrs Goldfinch, Thomas, Anne Winter, Pritchard and Taylor.

Brookfield Pond: Cllrs Taylor, Swift and Mrs Anne Winter.

Sports Assoc. Management Exec: Cllrs Taylor, Thomas, Goldfinch, Mrs Anne Winter and Gilmour.

Website: Cllrs Pritchard, Goldfinch and Thomas (except for WB Forum) and Zara Clarke

Neighbourhood Planning Group: Cllrs Bowden, Gilmour, Goldfinch, Pritchard, Taylor, Thomas, Wild and Mrs Anne Winter. It was agreed that this subject should be a future council meeting agenda item for further discussion on the way forward.

C15/14 Appointments to Outside Bodies

High Peak & Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership:

Cllr Anne Winter

Furness Vale COGS: Cllr Mrs Susanne Lomas (and so in this capacity also for W4W) and Cllr Ray Wild.

British Transport Police PACT Group: Cllr Anne Winter

DALC Executive Committee: Cllr John Pritchard (nominated awaiting election by DALC).

C15/15 Mechanics Institute Trustee

RESOLVED: That the whole council remain as the Trustee.

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

.....Chair Date:.....