

WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge, High Peak, SK23 7AA
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Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on Thursday 13th October 2016 in The Meeting Room, Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge.

Present: Councillors Lomax (Chair), Bowden, Clarke, Gilmour, Goldfinch, Pritchard, Swift, Taylor, Thomas and Winter.

In Attendance: Two members of the Public and Keith Bradshaw, Town Clerk;

C16/091 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Wild.

C16/092 Declarations of Members Interests and Dispensation Applications

Cllr Thomas declared personal interest in the following:- Agenda Item 10; Agenda Item 11 as he is Chair of Whaley4Wards, Chair of Whaley Bridge Community Trust and Treasurer and Vice Chair of Whaley Bridge Rose Queen Carnival Committee and Planning Application HPK/2016/0516 Elnor Farm.

Cllr Swift declared an interest in Planning Application HOK/2016/0506 being a friend of the applicant.

Cllr Pritchard declared an interest in Planning Application HPK/2016/0516.

C16/093 Community Police

It was reported that the crime figures for the past weeks were three incidents of ASB (two were the same incident), one of Criminal Damage and one Assault.

C16/094 Public Participation

Mr Woolley complained about the state of the roof on the Railway Public House.

Mr John Morten spoke regarding the Planning Application for 39 Buxton Road stating that in the original application there was an owners flat upstairs and now there are five first floor flats which differs from the original application and raises concerns regarding parking which is limited and the development is close to the school, a nursery and the Church. Mr Morten has lodged his objections with the Planners at High Peak Borough Council. The parking area across the road is a private car park for the Church and will not be available for use by the flats. What has been built is not in accordance with the approved plans.

C16/095 Planning Application HPK/2016/0337 – 39 Buxton Road

RESOLVED: To discuss this Planning Application at this point in the meeting

Cllr Lomax left the room

The council discussed this application and its comments are included in the Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 13th October

RESOLVED: To suspend Standing Orders to enable Mr Morten to add his comments.

Standing Orders were reinstated

Cllr Lomax re-joined the meeting

C16/096 Updates from County and Borough Councillors

High Peak Borough Council

The Grant funding application for the second bridge did not make the second stage.

There was a meeting of the Audit & Regulatory Committee to sign off the Statement of Accounts and the external audit is nearly completed.

There was a site meeting with the property Service Manager regarding the Station Car Park.

Derbyshire County Council

Bus subsidies will not be cut in the current year but this could change in 2017.

C16/097 Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th September 2016

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 8th September 2016 were a true and correct record of the meeting and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

C16/098 Clerk's Report

The Whaley Bridge Neighbourhood Plan should be given publicity in the forthcoming newsletter.

The Council should consider repairing the Shallcross Incline if no responses are received from Gill Millward at Derbyshire County Council by the end of this month. This will be an item on the agenda for the November Meeting

RESOLVED: to note the Clerk's Report

C16/099 Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED: That the accounts listed below be authorised for payment:

Whaley Bridge Town Council		Payments	October
Cheque Number	Payee	Description	Amount £
Whaley Bridge Town Council			
Payments since September			
OCTOBER			
2895	K Bradshaw	Mileage	22.32
2896	Broxap Limited	New Bench	583.20
2897	Petty Cash	Postage & Provisions	32.29
2898	David Hancock Tarmacing	Works at the Pavilion - FF Grant	17,352.00
2899	Cancelled		0
2900	Shelter Maintenance	Bus Shelter Cleaning	61.20
2901	The Royal British legion	Remembrance Day Wreaths	60.00
2902	Nemesis Pyrotechnics	Fireworks	2500.00
EP014	Mechanics Institute	Office Rent/Room Hire/Concessions	633.17
DD	Trusted IT	Backup/365 License etc.	84.24
Bankline	RBS Bank Line	Bankline Charges	41.60
DD	BT Plc	Line Rental	46.52
Bankline	RBS Bankline	Salaries - October	3,241.87
Transfer	Sports Association	Pavilion Works	-14,460.00
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Total August/September	£ 10,698.41
Sports Association			
EP006	Whaley Bridge TC	Salary/Admin	240.27
DD	Sage	Accounting program	6.00
Transfer	Whaley Bridge TC	Pavilion Works	14,460.00
	Sports Association	Total August/September	£ 14,706.27
	Total Expenditure	August/September	£ 25,404.68

C16/100 Financial Statements

RESOLVED: To note the Financial Statements for September 2016

C16/101 Reports from representatives on Outside Bodies

Station Car Park

RESOLVED to note the report and to contact Network Rail and Northern Rail to ensure that they could attend the next meeting of this group, which should be held in working hours.

Reorganisation of the car park could reduce the number of parking spaces and present difficulty for drays reaching the Jodrell Arms.

Whaley4Wards

RESOLVED to note the report

RESOLVED to apply for affiliate membership to the Peak and Northern Footpath Society at a cost of £22.50.

It is proposed to publish a list of Whaley Bridge traders in the New Year and it was requested that the newsletter should include an invitation to traders to determine their interest.

Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Cllr Pritchard attended the Annual General Meeting of DALC and it was reported that a new Chief Officer, Wendy Amis, has been appointed.

Fireworks

This event will be held on 5th November 2016 and Cllr Thomas made a request for volunteers.

Whaley Bridge Sports Association

The Football Foundation are requesting that the grant claim be submitted as soon as possible.

Cllr Thomas agreed to act as booking manager on a temporary basis and now wishes to hand this over to the Office Staff. This will be considered at the next meeting of the Council.

Local Area Forum

Disley parish Council cannot accommodate the proposed meeting for 27th October and it was requested to see if there was a room free at the Mechanics Institute.

C16/102 Christmas Lights Switch on

RESOLVED that dates be confirmed as Thursday 24th November at 7pm in Furness Vale and Friday 25th November at 7pm in Whaley Bridge.

C16/103 Remembrance Sunday – 13th November 2016

RESOLVED to note the following timings.

Saturday 12th November

Informal commemoration at the War Memorial at the Jodrell Arms – 11.00 am

Sunday 13th November

The Council has three Commemoration Wreaths as usual.

- 1) Wreath laying at Bridgemont – 9.30am
- 2) Wreath laying at Furness Vale – 9.45am
- 3) Remembrance Service at the War Memorial in the Park – Assemble at 10.30am

The Hayfield Commemoration of the Somme will take place on 22nd October at 7pm in New Mills Arts Theatre. The Chairman is unable to attend this event and if anyone else wishes to attend please notify the Clerk.

C16/104 Fiver Fest

RESOLVED to refer this item to Whaley4Wards

C16/105 Land at the Top of Horwich Road

A possible use for this land would be allotments, currently there are 35 allotment holders with a further 23 on the waiting list.

There is interest in this land from other parties and it expected to reach the asking price of £16,000.00. It was pointed out by the RFO that this item is not in the current budget.

RESOLVED to thank Mr David Cadwallader but to decline the offer.

C16/106 Snow Warden Scheme

RESOLVED that Whaley Bridge Town Council would continue to take part in this scheme and volunteers were requested. Cllr J Goldfinch volunteered to be the Snow Warden for this winter.

A lockable Wheelie Bin & Shovels are to be purchased and the stock of salt is to be checked.

C16/107 CPRE Subscription

RESOLVED to renew the Council's subscription to CPRE at a cost of £36.00

C16/108 Allotments

RESOLVED to hire a mini digger for work at the allotments if the Allotments Management Committee recommend this, for a budget of £350.00 maximum.

C16/109 Footpath at Toddbrook Reservoir

The quotation for this work had been received after the meeting papers were sent out.

RESOLVED to proceed with the quotation received for the footpath works for £450.00 plus materials.

C16/110 Correspondence received since 9th September 2016

1. COGS - Notice of AGM on Thursday 27th October 2016 at 7.30pm. Venue Furness vale Community Centre. All welcome.
2. DCC – Attachment of seasonal decorations to street light columns.
3. Poynton Town Council – inviting views on the Pre-Submission version of the Poynton Neighbourhood Plan as part of the six weeks statutory consultation. Comments before 5pm on Monday 14th November 2016.
4. **DALC Circulars -**
No 15/2016 – General – Council Tax Referendum Principles; New DALC Advice Service – cemeteries and burial grounds; Tesco Bags of Help update; Neighbourhood Planning.
DALC Annual Report 2015/16
5. SLCC announcement – Referendum principles may be extended to parish council precepts.

RESOLVED that Whaley Bridge Town Council is not in favour of this proposal to include all Local Councils.

6. PDNPA – request for confirmation of contact details and town council willingness to receive information in electronic form relating to their Local Plan consultation, to be run for 8 weeks during November and December 2016.

RESOLVED that the Council will confirm contact details and is willing to receive information in electronic format.

7. Peak Park Parishes Forum – information that PDNPA will be consulting later in October on important guidelines – its Development Management Policies.

8. Furness Vale Primary PTFA and Road Safety Group – correspondence regarding flashing lights and 20mph signs promised by DCC.

RESOLVED

a) to write to Derbyshire County Council expressing concern at the time taken to address these issues.

b) to write to Steve Alcock to find out progress on car parking at the bottom of Canal Street.

c) to write to Derbyshire County Council to find out what can be done regarding parking in the turning space at the end of Bridgemont.

9. Peak Park Parishes Forum – minutes of Management Committee meeting on 11th October 2016.

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting

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Chairman

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Date