

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 10th November 2016 in The Meeting Room, Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge.

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

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

C16/111 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Taylor and Wild due to work commitments.

C16/112 Declarations of Members Interests and Dispensation Applications

There were no declarations of interests or applications for dispensations.

C16/113 Community Police

There was no report from the Police.

C16/114 Public Participation

Mr J Hooley raised objections to planning application HPK/2016/0516 Land associated with Elnor Lane. The access to the development is after a blind bend. The site has shallow and deeper old mine workings and the shallow workings are likely to cause subsidence and further examination is required. After closure drainage pollutes the river Goyt and there will be an increased flow over the old adit and increased pollution from it.

C16/115 Planning Applications HPK/2016/0398 – Proposed new building, Land off Orchard Road and HPK/2016/0516 Land Associated with Elnor Lane.

RESOLVED: To discuss these Planning Applications at this point in the meeting

Cllr Lomax left the room

The council discussed these applications and its comments are included in the Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 10th November

RESOLVED: To suspend Standing Orders to enable Mrs J Wright and Mr J Petch to add their comments relating to application HPK/2016/0398.

The site borders a conservation area; Piling will be necessary as the drainage and weight will affect the dry stone wall below it; It is an amenity, the wooded slope,

which is being lost; the site is an important area for trees as per the conservation plan; The materials used will contrast with the conservation area. The path from the bedroom is very narrow and leads to a flight of steps. These objections will be submitted to High Peak Borough Council directly.

Standing Orders were reinstated

Cllr Lomax re-joined the meeting

C16/116 **The Clerk recommended** that Planning should be included in the Agenda for Council Meetings in the future.

C16/117 **Updates from County and Borough Councillors**

High Peak Borough Council

Work is progressing on Tom Brads Croft car park, the bollards have gone and the land needs to be flattened and made safe. The abandoned car has gone.

Questions were asked why the white line has been removed from Elnor Lane.

C16/118 **Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th October 2016**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 13th October 2016 were a true and correct record of the meeting and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

C16/119 **Clerk's Report**

Councillor Pritchard will attend the Councillors Training on 29th November and the Clerk is ask the Derbyshire Association of Local Clerks if they would hold a training session for Councillors here at Whaley Bridge.

RESOLVED: That the benches in the bus shelter and outside the Chemist be put in place as soon as possible. Whaley4wards will arrange for the wall alongside the Al Madina to be repaired and repainted, as part of the shop front scheme, before the bench is fixed.

The Sports Association should pay for the time of the Clerk and the Assistant Clerk spent on its behalf. The Clerk was thanked for bringing the accounts up to date.

RESOLVED: that Whaley Bridge Town Council will undertake the repair works on the Shallcross Incline.

RESOLVED: to note the Clerk's Report

C16/120 **Accounts for Payment**

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

Whaley Bridge Town Council		Payments	November
Cheque Number	Payee	Description	Amount £
Whaley Bridge Town Council			
Payments since October			
NOVEMBER			
2903	Altodigital	Photocopier charges	34.40
2904	K Bradshaw	VAT training and Travelling	27.40
2905	CPRE	Subscription	36.00
2906	Grant Thornton	External Audit	360.00
2907	K Hallworth	KCB - Shallcross Incline	450.00
2908	Peartree Print	Newsletter/paper/Banners	335.60
2909	Peak & Northern Footpaths	Subscription	22.50
2910	Cash	Postage	44.00
EP015	Mechanics Institute	Office Rent/Room Hire/Concessions	585.17
DD	Trusted IT	Backup/365 License etc.	84.24
DD	PEAC	Photocopier rental	240.40
Bankline	RBS Bank Line	Bankline Charges	41.60
bankline	RBS Bankline	Salaries - November	3,241.87
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Total August/September	£ 5,503.18
Sports Association			
531	S Rampley	Spare Keys	30.00
532	Shorrock Trichem	Consumables	58.44
533	SSE	Electricity	163.66
EP007	Whaley Bridge TC	Salary/Admin	240.27
DD	Sage	Accounting program	6.00
	Sports Association	Total August/September	£ 246.27
	Total Expenditure	August/September	£ 5,749.45

C16/121 Financial Statements

RESOLVED: To note the Financial Statements for October 2016 and that the bank balances at 31st October 2016 stood at:-

Whaley Bridge Town Council	£
Current Account	- 161.60
Deposit Account	91,812.35
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Mechanics Institute	£
Current Account	953.50
Deposit Account	18,869.20
	<hr/> 19,822.70
Sports Association	£
Current Account	4,015.00
Deposit Account	54,253.56
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C16/122 Reports from representatives on Outside Bodies

Whaley Bridge Canal Group

The leaks in the Transhipment Warehouse have been fixed and the Green Flag and flagpole are to be installed soon.

It was reported that Keith Sandown, the vicar at the Uniting Church, has won a bid for a Marquee for community use.

Fireworks

Thanks for all who helped were given. £2,900 was raised and £1,000 has been donated to Whaley Bridge Town Council for the Community.

Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Cllr Pritchard, along with other executive committee members, met with the new Chief Officer, Wendy Amis,

Whaley4wards

RESOLVED: To approve the Grant request from Footsteps of £150.00 for replenishment of stock of grotto presents.

RESOLVED: To approve Concessionary use of the Mechanics Institute Meeting Room and Main Hall by Footsteps volunteers on the evening of 25th November
With regard to the request for concessionary use of the Mechanics Institute from Friends of the Memorial Park, Councillor Lomax stated that he would be giving £400 to them for lanterns and that this would cover the cost of hiring the room.

RESOLVED: To install the refurbished bench at Brookfield Pond

RESOLVED: That the Clerk writes to David Baldaccino at the Canal and River Trust regarding the pothole in the road outside the Transhipment Warehouse which is now quite large and deep and is a hazard.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk should submit a grant application to the British Heart Foundation on Friday morning. It was recommended that the defibrillator applied for

should be an iPad SP1, as the pads are suitable for both adults and children, and the cabinet should be a metal DefibSafe 2.

The Traders Association should be renamed as Local Business Association or similar and all interested parties should contact the Clerk.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk writes to Derbyshire County Council to ask for permission to site the floral displays on Goyt Bridge.

Local Area Forum

The last meeting was not very well attended and will be re-arranged for some time in the New Year. New Mills Firework Display and Lantern Parade was a large and very successful event with people coming from outside the area.

Councillor Boden attended the Somme Memorial Commemoration at New Mills Arts Theatre

C16/123 External Audit

RESOLVED: To note that a clean audit report for the Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2106, had been given by Grant Thornton, the external auditors. The Clerk was thanked for achieving the clean report.

C16/124 Grit Bins

RESOLVED: To proceed with the proposal for the wheeled grit bin by Mr J Hancock and consider storing it at the back of the White Hart. The bin will be marked as Whaley Bridge Town Council property and the Clerk will check with the insurers to see if there will be any insurance issues.

RESOLVED: To write to Derbyshire County Council supporting the request by Mr and Mrs Owens for a grit bin at the top of Yeadsley Lane.

C16/125 Churches Together

RESOLVED: To note the request for a meeting on Monday January 16th 2017 at the Good News Church

C16/126 Christmas Events

RESOLVED: To donate the sum of £90.00 to Whaley Bridge Rose Queen Committee for Christmas Lights and Decorations for the Carnival Float.

C16/127 Well Dressing 2017

RESOLVED: To consider a request for funding the marquee in next year's budget but it is not a matter of course as the Council has responsibility for its use of public money.

The Transshipment Warehouse is not suitable being too dark and damp with an uneven floor

This event should be supported as it is good for the town. Using the marquee that the Vicar has won a grant for should be investigated together with the cost of providing flooring and fencing.

C16/128 20mph Speed Limit on Yeadsley Lane

RESOLVED: To write to Derbyshire County Council Highways, with a copy to Councillor Lomax, requesting that consideration be given to a 20pmh speed limit on Yeadsley lane

C16/129 Budget 2017/2018

It was requested that the sum of £1,000 for Fireworks be included in the budget for next year.

The Clerk will circulate a first draft Budget for 2017/18 before the December meeting

C16/130 Correspondence received since 14th October 2016

1. WB Royal British Legion – Remembrance Sunday Information.
2. WB Allotment & Gardeners’ Society – Newsletter October 2016.
3. PDNPA – Press Release ‘Peak District National Park wins top award for accessibility.
4. HP CVS – invitation to AGM on Thursday 3rd November 2016.
5. HPBC – new date for Parish Forum at Chinley Community Centre 2.00pm on Monday 14th November 2016
6. Greenfingers – Grounds Maintenance Advice for Town and Community Councils.
7. DCC – copy of response regarding Furness Vale Primary School Crossing.
8. Physio Control – reply to Defibrillator serial number query.
9. PDNPA – Planning Committee, Monitoring & Enforcement Quarterly Review – October 2016.
10. DALC Circulars -
No 16/2016 – General – Farewell to Sarita Welcome Wendy; AGM update; National Minimum Wage; Police & Crime Commissioner Funding; Bright Ideas Fund; Neighbourhood Planning update; Grants for Green Spaces; Training; Vacancy.
11. CPRE – Peakland Guardian latest edition and update on efforts against damaging quarrying and fracking.
12. Friends of Memorial Park – request for concessionary use of MI Main Hall for Lantern making workshop on Saturday 12th and Saturday 19th November 2016 from 2.30 to 6.30. Lantern Parade on 25th November 2016, part of Christmas festivities.
13. Marple & District Allotment Association – notice of Potato Day event, Sunday 5th February 2017 10am – 2pm at Senior Citizens Hall, Memorial Park , Marple.
14. Cllr Thomas – request for confirmation of payment of invoice for publicity of Canal Basin Market first event, supported by Whaley4wards.
15. Trusted IT – quote for provision of Councillor e-mail addresses.
16. 1st Taxal Cubs – invitation to planting of Oak tree in Memorial Park to commemorate 100years of Cubs on Sunday 4th December at 14.00hours near to the Reservoir Road entrance.

Councillors Clarke and Lomax will attend this event.

17. HPBC – Agenda for HP Parish Forum meeting at 2pm on 14th November 2016 at Chinley Community Centre.

Councillors Pritchard and Thomas and the Clerk will attend this Forum

18. British Heart Foundation – Defibrillator funding announcement.

19. HPBC – request to delay discussion on Goyt Bridge Project until Government funding announcement is made.

RESOLVED: That dates of forthcoming Council Meetings be sent to Sarah Porru.

20. HPBC – Monica Gillespie request for information about trees being cut down at the back of Carr Brook Close.

RESOLVED: That tree cutting and vegetation clearing on the Shallcross Incline be put on the agenda for the next Meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting

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Chairman

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Date