

# 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 8<sup>th</sup> December 2016 in The Meeting Room, Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge.

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

**In Attendance:** Keith Bradshaw, Town Clerk;

### **C16/131 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Wild due to work commitments and Councillor Winter due to a long standing commitment.

### **C16/132 Declarations of Members Interests and Dispensation Applications**

Cllr Goldfinch declared a personal interest in Planning Application HPB/2016/0640 knowing the applicant.

### **C16/133 Community Police**

The following crime figures were reported:-

Violence with injury – 2; without injury – 2;

Burglary dwelling – 0; non dwelling – 2;

Interference with vehicle – 3;

Theft (Shop lifting) – 3

No reports of Anti-Social Behaviour.

The Clerk was asked to raise the issue of traffic on Old Road with the Police as five pets had been killed in September.

### **C16/134 Public Participation**

No members of the public were present.

### **C16/135 Planning**

**RESOLVED** that in future Planning would be included in the Council Meeting Agenda and that it would be the last item.

**Councillor Lomax left the Meeting and Councillor Gilmour took the Chair**

**Councillor Clarke joined the Meeting.**

**RESOLVED** to note the following Decisions:-

**Delegated Decisions**

<b>Application</b>	<b>Decision</b>
<b>HPK/2016/0477</b> Internal alterations and extension to enclose stair access 1 Ivy Bank House, Chapel Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr J Wareham <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b>	Approved
<b>HPK/2016/0503</b> Proposed balcony and new door to replace existing window 7 Lake View, Furness Vale, Mr P Arnold <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b>	Approved
<b>HPK/2016/0506</b> Proposal raising of ridge height, front and rear dormers, front porch extension, side chimney breast, rear sunroom, two storey side extension and infill extension to rear. Sunningdale, Linglongs Road, Whaley Bridge, Mr & Mrs Ashton <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b>	Approved
<b>HPK/2016/0519</b> Lawful Development Certificate for a single storey pitched roof extension. Burnside, Start Lane, Whaley Bridge, Mr & Mrs D Johnson <b>LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE</b>	Refused
<b>HPK/2016/0529</b> Proposal two storey side extension, Round Hill, Start Lane, Whaley Bridge, Mr R Thomlinson & Ms D Lumb <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b>	Approved

**Peak Park Planning Decisions**

<b>NP/HPK/0716/0645</b> Granted Conditionally Proposal to erect a wood storage shed for household use Madscar Farm, Taxal, Mr John Swift <b>FULL</b>	Approved
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**New Planning Applications**

**RESOLVED** that the following comments be noted and referred to High Peak Borough Council Planning Department where appropriate.

<b>Application</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>HPK/2016/0594</b> Alternative retail development following granting of Planning Approval ref HPK/2013/0300 Land adjacent to Tesco Superstore, Buxton Road, Whaley Bridge High Peak Developments <b>FULL</b>	No Comment
<b>HPK/2016/0622</b> Rear single storey extension with raised ridge and open gable to form extended dining/kitchen Burnside, Start Lane, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs D Johnson <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b>	No Comment
<b>HNT/2016/0029</b>	

<p>Construction of a single storey rear extension to form an extended kitchen 4.5 x 4.7m in area with an eaves height of 2.1m and a ridge of 3.2m. Stone with double glazed openings and slate roof to match existing.</p> <p>Reservoir Cottage, Reservoir Road, Whaley Bridge, Mr &amp; Mrs Whitworth</p> <p><b>NOTIFICATION FOR PRIOR APPROVAL FOR A PROPOSED LARGER HOME EXTENSION</b></p>	No Comment
<p><b>NP/HPK/1116/1122</b></p> <p>Swap out of 2no. antenna and 1no. dish to be replaced by 6no. antenna and 1.no dish together with fixing brackets, cabling, cabling trays, provision of additional cabinet and equipment update to existing cabinets and associated works thereto.</p> <p>Ladder Hill Broadcasting Mast, Whaley Bridge, CTIL c/o Arqiva</p> <p><b>FULL</b></p>	Whaley Bridge Town Council supports this application and recommends approval
<p><b>HPK/2016/0640</b></p> <p>Proposed change of use and conversion of commercial garage to three dwellings, alterations to elevations including demolition of a timber and brick built single story front lean to extension.</p> <p>Old Road Garage, Old Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr N Coward</p> <p><b>CONSULTATION PLANNING APPLICATION</b></p>	To consider this application at the next meeting due the lateness of receipt.

**Councillor Lomax re-joined the Meeting and took the Chair.**

**C16/136 Update from County and Borough Councillors**

Councillor Pritchard attended licensing training and a refresher on the Audit of Rules and Laws applied.

**C16/137 Minutes of the last Meetings held**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016 and the Planning Meeting held on the same day were a true and correct record of the meeting and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

**C16/138 Clerk's Report**

**RESOLVED** to approve the Clerks attendance at the SLCC Practitioners Conference in February 2017.

The Clerk will determine when the next Training Session for Councillors is to be organised by DALC

**RESOLVED** to note the Clerk's Report

**C16/139 Accounts for Payment**

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

Cheque Number	Payee	Description	Amount £
<b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b>			
<b>Payments since November</b>			
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
2911	Footsteps	Donation	150.00
2912	S Drinkwater & Son	Materials - Toddbrook Path/Steps	576.40
2913	Cash	Postage/Parking/Stationery/Provisions	56.43
2914	Fran Frodsham	Grounds Maintenance	1,280.00
2915	M Ramsden	Electricity - Tree at Soldier Dick	50.00
2916	Review Publishing	Christmas Advert/Newsletter	172.18
2917	M Thomas	Banners etc.	96.86
2918	SLCC	Clerk's membership	227.00
EP016	Mechanics Institute	Office/Concessions/Meetings	609.17
EP017	S Rumbellow	Labour - Toddbrook Path/steps	450.00
Bankline	RBS	Bankline Charges	41.60
DD	Trusted IT	Backup/365 License etc.	84.24
DD	Supanet	Telephone/Broadband - OCT	26.66
DD	Supanet	Telephone/Broadband - NOV	34.98
	<b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b>	<b>Total August/September</b>	<b>£ 3,855.52</b>
<b>Sports Association</b>			
EP008	WBTC	Salary/Admin	240.27
DD	Sage	Accounting program	12.00
	<b>Sports Association</b>	<b>Total August/September</b>	<b>£ 252.27</b>
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>August/September</b>	<b>£ 4,107.79</b>

## C16/140 Financial Statements

**RESOLVED** to note the Financial Statement for November 2016 and that the bank balances stood at:

<b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b>	£
Current Account	2,171.50
Deposit Account	85,041.28
	<u>87,212.78</u>
<b>Mechanics Institute</b>	£
Current Account	823.75
Deposit Account	18,516.08
	<u>19,339.83</u>

<b>Sports Association</b>	£
Current Account	4,844.26
Deposit Account	54,105.88
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	58,950.14

**C16/141 Reports from Outside Bodies**

**Whaley4Wards**

**RESOLVED** to note the written report was submitted to the Council

The Financial Summary shows a potential surplus of £7,295.00 at the end of the financial year and it is proposed to use this sum for the restoration works on the Goyt Bridge. This has been put to High Peak Borough Council and a response is awaited.

**RESOLVED** to approve use this sum for this proposed purpose.

High Peak Borough Council will be consulted to see if any refurbishment work at the Mechanics Institute could be included in the Regeneration scheme.

Councillor Pritchard congratulated Whaley4Wards on the reports and works done.

The Clerk will chase Derbyshire County Council regarding the placing of planters on Goyt Bridge and to ask if it would permit Whaley Bridge Town Council to paint the bridge before the planters are installed.

**C16/142 Removal of Telephone Kiosks**

**RESOLVED** to write to Planning at High Peak and BT objecting strongly to the removal of the telephone kiosks at Furness Vale and Bridgemont because of their proximity to the A6 and the Railway. These kiosks could be vital in the event of an accident as there is poor mobile coverage in these areas.

**C16/143 Defibrillator**

The training kit and welcome pack have been delivered. The size of the sign is to be determined and the Conservation officer will be contacted regarding the location of this sign.

**C16/144 CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund**

**RESOLVED** to open an account and deposit the sum of £25,000.00 in the CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund.

**C16/145 Grit Bin Yeadsley Lane**

**RESOLVED** to write to the resident who requested a grit bin at this location with a copy of the response from Derbyshire County Council adding that Whaley Bridge Town Council is prepared to install a grit bin if a suitable location can be found but it would be for the residents to fill it.

**C16/146 Neighbourhood Plan**

**RESOLVED** to postpone calling a meeting regarding a Neighbourhood Plan until after the Elnor Lane planning application is resolved.

**C16/147 Requests for Grant Aid**

**RESOLVED** not to advertise for requests for Grant Aid for 2017/18

**C16/148 Budget 2017/18**

**RESOLVED** that in view of support for the Mechanics Institute project the Council would be willing to apply an increase in precept of more than 2%.

The Budget will be redrafted to take into account the following items:

Support for the Mechanics Institute Project.

Exclusion of Grants and Donations.

Inclusion of £200.00 for Bus Shelters as in previous years.

**C16/149 Land behind the White Hart**

**RESOLVED** that the Council takes professional advice if the Council can claim this land for the community.

The resident who raised this issue will be advised that the land is not currently owned by the Council and the Council cannot order the vehicles to be removed. The situation will be investigated further after professional advice has been received.

**C16/150 Correspondence**

1. DCC – reply regarding progress with parking issues on Canal Street. Formal consultation with the Town Council on the proposals on the package of measures for Whaley Bridge which this Traffic Regulation Order amendment is part of is expected in the next couple of weeks – early December.

2. DCC – Shale Gas and Fracking Informative Note, November 2016.

**RESOLVED** to note that locations for Fracking will be decided in 2017

3. Elnor lane Resident – copy of letter to DCC Highways regarding issues relating to Elnor Lane including removal of central white line.

**RESOLVED** to note that Derbyshire County Council recommends the removal of central white lines where appropriate as this slows down traffic.

4. Book launch information - '12 Circular Walks around Cromford and High Peak Railway' – available from Footsteps.

5. Peak District NPA – press release – Praise for Peak District paths.

6. North Derbyshire CCG – NHS public consultation re changes to: children's surgery and hyper acute stroke care - 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016 to 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

7. Peak District NPA – Consultation on Publication version of the Development Management Policies document, forming Part 2 of the Local Plan for the Peak District National Park. – closes 5pm on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017

8. British Heart Foundation shop in Buxton – volunteer appeal

9. Peak District NPA – press release – Have your say on Peak District Planning.

10. CPRE – confirmation of membership renewal.

11. HPBC Planning Enforcement – response advising that letter regarding wall at Tesco entrance has been passed to the Council’s Building Control department.
12. Peak Park Parishes Forum – PDNPA Development Management Policies Consultation and pointers re concerns.
13. HPBC – Regeneration Grant information, only commitment to grant on spending by March 2017.
14. **DALC Circulars -**  
**No 17/2016 – General –** 16-18 National Salary Award; Derbyshire Alert Messaging System; HR for busy councils; DCC Parish & Town Liaison Forum; Responsive Bus Service for Rural Residents; Updated Legal Topic Notes; NALC opposes council tax referendum principles for local councils(**Circulated**); Restorative Justice week flyer NALC request to complete and promote Dependant Carers Survey  
**No 18/2016 – General –** Internal Audit; HR Employment future for Town & Parish Councils; Stoney Middleton PC Survey(**Circulated**);
15. Derbyshire Alert – information about setting the 2017/18 budget and request for views. Closing date Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016.
16. Derbyshire Alert – information about gearing up for a crackdown on drivers who get behind the wheel under the influence of drink or drugs throughout December and encouraging people to ring in information about any suspected cases, with the potential to claims rewards of up to £1000 if their information leads to a conviction.
17. Peak District NPA – press release – State of Nature in the Peak District – report live online now.
18. HPBC – Link to Development Control Agenda and Reports.
19. DCC – Recycling of Broken or Unwanted Electrical Items information on campaign running from 2<sup>nd</sup> January to 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017.
20. DCC – information regarding parking on Yardsley Lane, Furness Vale effectively creating just one way movement at any time and high speeds have not been observed. Also information regarding permanent 20mph speed limits plus a recent report with further detail.
21. DCC – response regarding parking at Bridgemont and confirmation that a no parking sign will be provided in the New Year.
22. Peak District NPA – press release – Peak District paths are enjoyed by visually impaired walkers.
23. WB Film Group – reply regarding bookings at the Mechanics Institute.

Update on Railway Bridge 42 – Network Rail has altered the safety rating of this bridge to R0, most unsafe, and has employed a professor from Edinburgh University to undertake a study of the bridge. English heritage has no interest in replacing the bridge and there will be a planning application at some point.

**C16/151 Exclusion of the Press and the Public**

**RESOLVED** that the {Press and the Public be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the item to be discussed.

**C16/152 Quotations for Gardening Services for 2017**

The Clerk reported that six quotations had been requested but only two have been received.

**RESOLVED** that the contract for Gardening Services for 2017 is awarded to Mrs Fran Frodsham of Piranha Country Gardens who provided the most competitive quotation.

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm

**Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting**

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Chairman

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Date

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