

# 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 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017 in The Meeting Room, Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge.

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

**In Attendance:** Four members of the public and K Bradshaw, Town Clerk

### **C16/170 Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence as all Members were present.

### **C16/171 Declarations of Members Interests and Dispensation Applications**

There were no declarations of Interest nor applications for dispensations.

### **C16/172 Community Police**

No crime figures had been advised.

PCSO Tracy Jones reported that there have been a few burglaries around Whaley in the past week or so , what the Police is offering is , If anyone wants PC MASON and herself to go to their homes and do a security check for them they will and also they will mark their valuables for them as well.

If any one wishes us to do this they can be contacted:-

[Graham.mason.2352@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Graham.mason.2352@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk)

[Tracy.jones.4607@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Tracy.jones.4607@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk)

The Police and Crime Commissioner has pledged to visit all 383 towns and villages in Derbyshire to understand the communities' needs and expectations of policing, community safety and victim services in their local area.

### **C16/173 Public Participation**

Priscilla Warrington of Horwich End Post Office said that she was happy to support the parking proposals as currently there are problems with security deliveries and for pensioners with mobility problems. It would be better if the 40 minutes restriction was in force between 8.00am and 6pm.

### **C16/174 Update from County and Borough Councillors**

It was reported that Derbyshire County Council will be increasing Council Tax by 3.99%; 1.99% general increase plus 2% for Social Care.

**C16/175 Minutes of the last Meetings held**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were a true and correct record of the meeting and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

**C16/176 Co-Option of Member for Furness Vale Ward**

The Chairman read the meeting procedure for the co-option process.

The Clerk added that there is no legal obligation to co-opt but it is considered best practice to do so.

It is encouraging to have received applications from three good, strong candidates.

The three candidates were Susanne Lomas, Ian Simpson and Katherine Tyreman. All were proposed and seconded and a ballot was held.

**RESOLVED** to suspend Standing Orders whilst the Clerk counted the votes to enable Saul Brown, the Taxal Scoutmaster to address the meeting.

He thanked the Council for past support and requested support for the forthcoming Summer Camp in Norway

**Standing Orders** were re-instated

The votes cast in the first ballot were:-

S Lomas 2 votes; I Simpson 4 votes and K Tyreman 4 votes with one spoilt paper. Consequently S Lomas was excluded from the next round.

The votes cast in the second ballot were:-

I Simpson 6 votes, K Tyreman 4 votes, No Co-option 1 vote.

**RESOLVED** that having achieved an overall majority of votes of the Councillors present Mr Ian Simpson is Co-opted as a Member of Whaley Bridge Town Council.

**C16/177 Clerk's Report**

**RESOLVED** to object to the proposed transfer of title of the Garage to Frederic Robinson Ltd and that Alison Beckett of Cooper Sons Hartley and Williams submits the objection to the Land Registry for the quoted fee of £100.00

**RESOLVED** to request Alison Becket to prepare a sale document/conveyance for the garage in order to progress this matter noting that her fees would be £170.00 per hour for this work.

The Clerk reported that the Caretaker/Cleaner for the Sports Association has submitted his resignation and will be leaving at the end of the month.

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

**C16/178 Accounts for Payment**

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

| <b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b>     |                                   |                                     | <b>February 2017</b> |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Cheque Number</b>                  | <b>Payee</b>                      | <b>Payments Description</b>         | <b>Amount £</b>      |
| <b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b>     |                                   |                                     |                      |
| <b>Payments since January Meeting</b> |                                   |                                     |                      |
| <b>FEBRUARY</b>                       |                                   |                                     |                      |
| 2923                                  | DALC                              | 2 x Good Councillors Guide          | 6.00                 |
| 2924                                  | J Goldfinch                       | Paint for Al Madina Wall            | 39.65                |
| 2925                                  | HPBC                              | Christmas Trees                     | 961.02               |
| 2926                                  | Shelter Maintenance               | Bus Shelter Cleaning                | 61.20                |
| 2927                                  | Trusted IT                        | Councillors email and Anti-Virus    | 103.50               |
| 2928                                  | Chronicle Accountants             | Shop Front Scheme                   | 355.00               |
| 2929                                  | Cash                              | Petty Cash - Postage and provisions | 17.70                |
| Bankline                              | Salaries                          | Salaries November                   | 3,241.87             |
| EP019                                 | Mechanics Institute               | Office/Concessions/Meetings         | 585.17               |
| Bankline                              | RBS                               | Bankline Charges                    | 41.60                |
| DD                                    | Trusted IT                        | Backup/365 License etc.             | 84.24                |
| DD                                    | Supanet                           | Telephone/Broadband - DEC           | 27.45                |
|                                       | <b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b> | <b>Total January/February</b>       | <b>£ 5,524.40</b>    |
| <b>Sports Association</b>             |                                   |                                     |                      |
| EP010                                 | WBTC                              | Salary/Admin                        | 240.27               |
| DD                                    | Sage                              | Accounting program                  | 12.00                |
|                                       | <b>Sports Association</b>         | <b>Total January/February</b>       | <b>£ 252.27</b>      |
|                                       | <b>Total Expenditure</b>          | <b>Total January/February</b>       | <b>£ 5,776.67</b>    |

**C16/179 Financial Statements**

**RESOLVED** to note the Financial Statements for January 2017 and that the bank balances stood at:

| <b>Bank Balances</b>              | <b>as at</b> | <b>31st January 2017</b> |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b> |              |                          |
|                                   |              | £                        |
| Current Account                   |              | 2,153.00                 |
| Deposit Account                   |              | 73,919.59                |
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|                                   |              | 76,072.59                |
| <b>Mechanics Institute</b>        |              |                          |
|                                   |              | £                        |
| Current Account                   |              | 965.51                   |
| Deposit Account                   |              | 19,631.76                |
|                                   |              | <hr/>                    |
|                                   |              | 20,597.27                |
| <b>Sports Association</b>         |              |                          |
|                                   |              | £                        |
| Current Account                   |              | 2,635.70                 |
| Deposit Account                   |              | 57,140.00                |
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|                                   |              | 59,775.70                |

**C16/180 Reports from Outside Bodies**

**Whaley Bridge Canal Group**

The bat survey was successful and it is planning to move the boat from the inside. The Farmers Market will be held on March 18<sup>th</sup>

**Rail Partnership**

There is a new Station manager, Mr Simon Brookes. Derbyshire County Council will continue to fund the partnership to some degree.

**Whaley4wards**

**RESOLVED** to note the report submitted by Councillor Thomas.

**C16/181 Budget for the Financial Year 2017/18**

**RESOLVED:** That the precept for the coming year 2017/18 be set at £80,864.00 (Eighty thousand, eight hundred and sixty four pounds) to meet the expenses of the council.

This equates to £35.34 per band D equivalent, an increase of £1.69 per year

**C16/182 Proposed parking restrictions**

**RESOLVED** to make the following recommendations to Derbyshire County Council:-

**Horwich End** – The time for restricted parking between the White Horse car park to the Post Office should run from 8am to 6pm, not 9am to 5pm, to aid security deliveries and for pensioners with mobility problems and any delivery vans could park up until 9.40am.

**Horwich End** – Outside the former bank yellow lines as proposed.

**Buxton Road, Bridge and Gun Shop** – restrictions as proposed

**Canal Street** – Reduction in limited time waiting bay – as proposed

**A5004 Buxton Road** - Jodrell Hotel towards A6 no restrictions until road narrows and across the road create 4 limited time spaces from the bus stop.

Parking is needed for users of the station and people who work in the town and imposing too many restrictions will just move the problem elsewhere.

**C16/183 Planters – Furness Vale School**

Since the posting of the Agenda the Council has been informed that Derbyshire County Council will insure the planters.

**C16/184 Parking enforcement - Tom Brads Croft Car Park and Market Street**

High Peak Borough Council is to be contacted to ask what is its plan for lines and enforcement and what is the long term strategy for the Car Park e.g., a possible multi storey car park with funding from SEMS mitigation funds.

High Peak Borough Council is to be asked to provide later, evening patrols by enforcement officers.

**C16/185 Correspondence**

**Un-named road at Fernilee Hall Farm**

**RESOLVED** to recommend that this road should not be named.

**Proposed Memorial Footbridge**

**RESOLVED** to thank Mr Aldred for the update and to offer the Council's ongoing support.

**C16/186 Planning**

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

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

**Delegated Decisions**

| <b>Application</b>                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Decision</b>              |
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| <b>HNT/2016/0033</b><br>Rear extension to semi-detached dwelling, single store.<br>10 Park Crescent, Furness Vale. Mr Simon Goodwin<br><b>HOUSEHOLDERS NOTIFICATION APPLICATION</b> | HNT Permitted<br>Development |

## New Planning Applications

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

| Application                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Comments                                                                                                                                               |
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| <p><b>HPK/2017/0016</b><br/>           Construction of new paths complete with areas for benches and wheel chairs and outdoor gym equipment<br/>           Playing Fields, Park Avenue, Furness Vale. Mr Terry Watson<br/> <b>FULL</b></p>                   | <p>The Council supports this application.</p>                                                                                                          |
| <p><b>HPK/2017/0032</b><br/>           Proposed loft conversion including raising roof and 2 dormers to the principle elevation<br/>           52 Starcrest, Elnor lane, Whaley Bridge<br/>           Mr Russell Hambleton<br/> <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b></p> | <p>No comment</p>                                                                                                                                      |
| <p><b>HPK/2017/0039</b><br/>           Two storey extension to side of existing dwelling<br/>           7 Hill Drive, Whaley Bridge. Mr John Powner<br/> <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b></p>                                                                        | <p>No comment</p>                                                                                                                                      |
| <p><b>HPK/2017/0023</b><br/>           Proposed erection of two storey side extension<br/>           6 Clough Field Close, Whaley Bridge. Mrs Rebeca Kerr<br/> <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b></p>                                                                  | <p>These are affordable housing and this extension would make this house less affordable and it would be subject to restrictions on selling price.</p> |

The Council supports the comments of Environmental Health relating to the application HPK/2016/0663, Reddish Barns.

It was reported that planning permission had been granted five houses on Buxton Road opposite Tesco subject to £2,000 of s106 funding for play facilities at Bridgemont and that this funding will not be forthcoming.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

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

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 Chairman

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 Date