

# WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Whaley Bridge Town Council held at 7.30pm on Thursday 11th<sup>th</sup> May 2016 in The Meeting Room, Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge.**

**Present:** Councillors Bowden, Clarke, Gilmour, Goldfinch, Simpson, Swift, Taylor, Thomas, Wild and Winter.

**In Attendance:** One member of the public and Keith Bradshaw, Town Clerk.

### **C17/001 Election of Chair**

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Rodney Gilmour be elected Chairman of Whaley Bridge Town Council for the Civic Year 2017/2018.

### **C17/002 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Lomax and Pritchard who had a conflicting meeting at High Peak Borough Council.

### **C17/003 Election of Vice Chair**

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor John Swift be elected Vice Chairman of Whaley Bridge Town Council for the Civic Year 2017/2018.

### **C17/004 Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

Councillor Gilmour signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Chairman which was witnessed by the Town Clerk, the Proper Officer of the Council.

Councillor Swift signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Vice Chairman which was witnessed by the Town Clerk, the Proper Officer of the Council.

### **C17/005 Declarations of Members Interests**

There were no Declarations of Members Interests.

Members were reminded that any changes to the Register of Members Interests must be reported.

### **C17/006 Chair's Allowance**

**RESOLVED:** That the Chair's Allowance for 2017/2018 be set at £300.00

**C17/007      Cheque Signing/Electronic Payments Authorisation Panel**

**RESOLVED:** That Councillors Goldfinch, Gilmour, Swift and Thomas be appointed to the Cheque Signing/Electronic Payments Authorisation Panel. Councillor Winter will stand down as a signatory.

**C17/008      Calendar of Meetings 2017/2018**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the Calendar of meetings as detailed below

Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup> 2017  
Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup> 2017  
Thursday July 13<sup>th</sup> 2017  
August – No Meeting  
Thursday September 14<sup>th</sup> 2017  
Thursday October 12<sup>th</sup> 2017  
Thursday November 9<sup>th</sup> 2017  
Thursday December 14<sup>th</sup> 2017  
Thursday January 11<sup>th</sup> 2018  
Thursday February 8<sup>th</sup> 2018  
Thursday March 8<sup>th</sup> 2018  
Thursday April 12<sup>th</sup> 2018

The Annual Town Meeting of Whaley Bridge for – to be notified in 2018.

Members were requested to note that the June 2017 Meeting will be held on the third Thursday in June as the second Thursday is the date of the General Election.

**C17/009      Appointments to Advisory Panels**

The Chairman is automatically a member of all Advisory panels, Working groups and Committees of the Council.

**RESOLVED:** That the following appointments be made.

**Whaley 4 Wards** – Councillors Clarke, Goldfinch, Taylor and Thomas.

**Bingswood Access and Canal Basin Regeneration Panel** – This group is now redundant

**Brookfield Pond** – Councillors Goldfinch, Swift, Taylor and Winter

**Whaley Bridge Sports Association** – Councillors Gilmour, Goldfinch and Thomas. Councillor Pritchard will be the Borough representative.

**Website Overview** – Councillors Clarke, Goldfinch and Thomas

**Neighbourhood Planning** – Councillors Goldfinch, Pritchard, Taylor and Wild.

**Local Area Forum** – Councillors Bowden and Thomas

**C17/010      Appointments to Outside Bodies**

**RESOLVED:** That the following appointments be made.

**Furness Vale COGS – Councillor Wild**

**High Peak and Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership – Councillor Winter**

**C17/011 Constitution of Mechanics Institute Trustee**

**RESOLVED:** To note that Whaley Bridge Town Council is the Sole Trustee for this Charity.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm

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

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Chairman

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Date