

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

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

**In Attendance:** County Councillor Fox, four members of the public and K Bradshaw, Town Clerk

### **C17/075 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Wild who is working, Councillor Lomax who is attending a Borough Council Meeting.

### **C17/076 Declarations of Members Interests and Dispensation Applications**

Cllr Swift declared an interest in planning applications DOC/2017/0071 and DET/2017/0012.

### **C17/077 Community Police**

There was no report from the Police.

It was reported that a hit and run had occurred on Old Road causing £500 of damage, this has been reported to the Police and is third such event in two weeks. There has been an assault outside the Co-Op which has also been reported to the Police.

### **C17/078 Public Participation**

Mr Jon Hooley commented on the following planning applications:-

HPK/2016/0516, Elnor Lane. The Coal Authority has now submitted details of the shallow coal mine workings under the site. These echo the information by Leech (Coal Mining in Whaley Bridge) on Shallcross Hall Colliery, but in less detail. There is no mention of the fault running through the site but this, Envirotech map is corroborated by the information in Leech's book.

HPK/2017/0247, Barratt Homes. The C9 fields are already used as a soakaway. Gladmans had information that their planning application submission for Swales in their Flood Risk Assessment was unviable before the decision date. This is outlined in the Opus Bio-Environmental Assessment which was not included in the Gladman planning application and has now surfaced in the Barratt planning application. The Opus assessment was signed off in December 2014 and the decision date for the Gladman application was May 2015. The Opus assessment still has major sections missing and Mr Hooley has requested that High peak Borough Council send him a copy of the full document.

Mr Graham Aldred reported that the project is now in the hands of the Canal and River Trust which has raised the issues of Technical Approval, Maintenance and Ownership of the proposed bridge. It had been hoped that the Canal and River Trust would accept the bridge as a gift but it will not accept this but has agreed to be the Technical Authority to approve the bridge. It was suggested that a group be formed to cover maintenance and cleaning with a second organisation to manage the bridge. Ownership has yet to be decided but is needed before an application is submitted to the Peak Park Planning Authority.

Jane Wright of Friends of the Memorial Park has proposed a lantern parade for the Christmas lights ceremony.

**C17/079 Updates from County and Borough Councillors on matters of concern to Town Council Members**

County Councillor Fox reported that:-

A woman and girl safe group had been opened to give one to one support; Scrutiny of Derbyshire's Care Homes had been put to Cabinet and passed; new Street lights will have LED lighting; Concerns regarding development C9 have been raised with Highways; The CEO has been replaced with a Strategic Director who has experience in Local Government and the Private Sector.

**C17/080 Minutes of the last Meetings held**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the last Meetings of Whaley Bridge Town Council held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017 and Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2017 are a true and correct record of the meeting and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

**C17/081 Resignation of Councillor**

**RESOLVED:** To note that Jon Goldfinch had resigned as a Member of Whaley Bridge Town Council and that a Casual Vacancy had been declared on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

**RESOLVED:** That the following Councillors be appointed cheque signatories with the authority to authorise electronic payments for Whaley Bridge Town Council and the Mechanics Institute: Cllrs R. Gilmour, J. Swift, M. Thomas and A. Winter.

**RESOLVED:** The following appoints to Committees:-

Whaley4Wards – Cllr J. Swift

Whaley Bridge Sports Association – Deferred to next meeting

Mechanics Institute Refurbishment – Cllr B. Taylor

Brookfield Pond, Website Overview and Neighbourhood Planning – deferred to next meeting.

**C17/082 Clerk's Report**

**RESOLVED:** Rights of Way maintenance – To seek someone with whom to consult regarding footpath repairs.

**RESOLVED:** That the diversion of the footpath from the bottom of the Shallcross Incline to Mevril Road be an item on next month's agenda

**RESOLVED:** That the Town Council will charge for photocopying at the same prices as those charged by the Library

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

**C17/083 Accounts for Payment**

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

<b>Cheque Number</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount £</b>
<b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b>			
2974	Altodigital	Copier Charges	46.74
UT 001	K Bradshaw	Filing Cabinet	99.00
UT 002	J Goldfinch	Bench - Brookfield Pond	373.48
UT 003	Rural Action Derbyshire	Roles & Responsibilities Training	36.00
UT 004	Shelter Maintenance	Bus Shelter Cleaning	61.20
UT 005	Mechanics Institute	Room Hire & Office rent	603.17
UT006	AK Products (Peartree Print)	Newsletter & Stationery	223.43
UT007	Review Publishing	Newsletter distribution	134.40
UT008	Mechanics Institute	Room Hire & Office rent	585.17
UT009	Amberol	Planters for bridge	865.94
Salaries	Payroll	Salaries August	3,189.02
DD	RBS	Bankline - August	40.80
DD	Talktalk Business	Telephone/Broadband	40.61
DD	Trusted IT	Backup/License/Website	84.24
Salaries	Unity Trust	Salaries September	3,189.02
DD	RBS	Bankline - September	39.20
DD	Trusted IT	Backup/License/Website	84.24
DD	Talktalk Business	Telephone/Broadband	34.90
	<b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b>	<b>Total August/September</b>	<b>£ 9,730.56</b>
<b>Mechanics Institute</b>			
1355	Mrs M Weaver	Refund U3A - August	46.50
300001	Fran Frodsham	Planters - MI	60.00
300002	Martin McColl	Newspapers	48.60
Salaries	Unity Trust	Salaries August	1,202.97
DD	Gazprom	Gas	34.52
DD	Gazprom	Gas	53.92
DD	Opus Energy	Electricity	71.74
DD	HPBC	Rates	52.00
DD	United Utilities	Water	49.17
Salaries	Unity Trust	Salaries September	1,202.97
30003	Cancelled		0.00
30004	Martin McColl	Newspapers	60.75
DD	HPBC	Rates	52.00
DD	United Utilities	Water	49.17

DD	Opus energy	Electricity	89.98
	<b>Mechanics Institute</b>	<b>Total August/September</b>	<b>£ 3,074.29</b>
<b>Sports Association</b>			
540	Stonegate Tooling	Kara Floor Scrubber	950.40
EBP	WBTC	Admin Charge	78.42
DD	Sage Accounting	Accounts program	18.00
DD	United Utilities	Water	11.78
DD	HPBC	Rates	151.00
541	Dez Walker Property Services	Groundworks for shed	675.00
DD	Sage Accounting	Accounts program	18.00
DD	United Utilities	Water	11.78
DD	HPBC	Rates	151.00
	<b>Sports Association</b>	<b>Total August/September</b>	<b>£ 2,065.38</b>
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>Total August/September</b>	<b>£ 14,870.23</b>

#### C17/084 Financial Reports

**RESOLVED:** To note the Financial Reports for July and August which had been circulated to all members and that the Bank Balances at 31<sup>st</sup> August stood at:-

<b>Whaley Bridge Town Council</b>		£
Current Account	RBS A/C Closed	-
Deposit Account	RBS A/C Closed	-
CCLA Deposit Fund		37,500.00
Unity Trust - Current Account		4,396.86
Unity Trust - Deposit Account		32,500.00
Petty Cash		75.00
		<u>74,471.86</u>
<b>Mechanics Institute</b>		£
Current Account		1,000.00
Deposit Account		24,567.80
Unity Trust Bank		3,020.90
		<u>28,588.70</u>
<b>Sports Association</b>		£
Current Account		4,994.58
Deposit Account		60,842.97
		<u>65,837.55</u>

#### C17/085 Certified Annual Return – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017

**RESOLVED:** To note that Grant Thornton, the External Auditors, have completed their review of the Annual Return and in their opinion the return is in accordance

with proper practice and no other matters have come to their attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislative and regulatory requirements have not been met.

The Clerk was thanked for a thorough job.

**C17/086 Reports from representatives of outside bodies**

Written reports were received and circulated to all members of the Council

**RESOLVED:** to note the reports from

**The Canal Group** – The next Farmer’s Market will be on October 14<sup>th</sup>. There has been some damage to the Transhipment Warehouse caused by a Heavy Goods Vehicle.

**Whaley4Wards** – A written report was received and circulated to all members. Footpath 49, Old Road to Horwich Road has been cleared by volunteers but the steps need some attention.

The Clerk requested that he be advised of how many volunteers would be working, when, where and what they would be doing for Insurance purposes.

Quotations for the gates at Brookfield Pone will be sought.

**High Peak and Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership** – There will be a meeting next Wednesday

**Allotments** – A further meeting is to be arranged

**Station Car Park** – A meeting is to be held tomorrow

**C17/087 Whaley4Wards Terms of Reference**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the Terms of Reference subject to input from Whaley4Wards

**C17/088 Whaley Bridge Sports Association**

A meeting is to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> September and reported back to the Council.

**C17/089 Neighbourhood Plan**

**RESOLVED:** To start looking at the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Simpson is willing to take the lead.

**C17/090 Local Council Awards Scheme**

**RESOLVED:** To proceeding with the Local Council Awards Scheme.

**C17/091 Town Council Website**

**RESOLVED:** that the Town Council should have its own dedicated website.

**C17/092 Funding for Events**

**RESOLVED:** The Chairman will talk to the Welldressing Committee regarding the financial viability of the Council funding the marquee and to look at other possibilities.

**RESOLVED:** That the Town Council will pay the Balance of the Pyrotechnics Invoice up to £2,000.00, agreed in the budget.

**C17/093 New Computer**

**RESOLVED:** That this item be deferred until the next financial year

**C17/094 Christmas Lights**

**RESOLVED:** That the switching on of the Christmas Lights will take place on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm at Furness Vale and Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7.00pm at Whaley Bridge.

**C17/095 Overseer Party for the David Frith Memorial Bridge**

**RESOLVED:** That, as this bridge is outside the Parish of Whaley Bridge and Derbyshire, The Clerk will obtain advice from DALC and liaise with Kettleshulme Parish Council with a view to setting up a voluntary organisation for the management of the bridge.

**C17/096 Correspondence received**

**RESOLVED** to note the following correspondence received since the last meeting:

1. Whaley Bridge Rose Queen Festival Committee – thanks to Cllr Gilmour for his participation in the carnival events.
2. Peak Park Parishes Forum – National Park Management Plan Responses. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
3. High Peak CVS – View from the Peak Issue No 39. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
4. Cllr Pritchard – information about his new book ‘A Railway Journey: Oxford to Whaley Bridge’ and signing event at the Friends of Whaley Bridge Station coffee morning on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2017. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
5. DCC ETC Traffic Management – copy of reply to Mr Broome’s concerns regarding excessive speed of traffic on Macclesfield Road. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
6. Robert Harrison – introduction as co-chair of the Buxton and High Peak dementia action alliance. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
7. DCC – Temporary Closure Notice for Footpath No 37 (part) Whaley Bridge from Woodbrook northwards for 175 metres to facilitate public safety during essential works to repair wall adjacent to footpath from 24<sup>th</sup> July to 13<sup>th</sup> August 2017. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
8. HPBC – response regarding Community Infrastructure Levy **(Circulated by e-mail)**
9. Mr R Broome – copy of further correspondence with DCC regarding speeding traffic on Macclesfield Road. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
10. Peak Park Parishes Forum – invitation to AGM on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at Aldern House Bakewell. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
11. North Derbyshire CCG – Decisions made following Better care closer to home consultation. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
12. RE Knowles Ltd – regarding fencing and letter to Furness Vale Community Centre. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
13. Kevin Benstead IFA Ltd – letter enquiring why a hanging basket has not been placed at their office property at 4 Old Road. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
14. HPBC – notification of Parish Forum meeting at Chinley Community Centre on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 3.00pm, seeking confirmation of two WBTC representatives attending. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
15. Mrs Susanne Lomas – appeal for additional members to join the standby volunteer team at the Community Shop in Furness Vale. **(Circulated by e-mail)**

16. Gari Wellingham – querying the level of expenditure on newspapers for the reading room. Plus reply. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
17. DCC – Further response to Mr Broome (ref item 9 above) **(Circulated by e-mail)**
18. CAB – High Peak Quarterly Impact Data 2017/17 October – December **(Circulated by e-mail)**
19. Friends of WB Station – press release regarding shortlist for national Community Rail Award. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
20. Rural Action Derbyshire – Village and Community Halls Advisory Service information **(Circulated by e-mail)**
21. DCC – News - Derbyshire Gold Card Holders – Renewal Reminder. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
22. Mr R Broome – Further correspondence with DCC (ref items 9 & 17 above) **(Circulated by e-mail)**
23. Margaret Allen – thanking the Town Council footbridge and tree work at Toddbrook and this year’s floral hanging baskets**(Circulated by e-mail)**
24. Rural Action Derbyshire – Community Buildings Training – Governing Documents at Pilsley Village Hall on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2017. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
25. Graham Aldred – Proposed Memorial Bridge Update. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
26. HPBC – correspondence with Sally Curley Re s106 – allotments funds.
27. Elizabeth Lath – requesting hazardous parking in guidance lanes under Railway Bridge be looked at as part of review of parking and traffic issues. **(Circulated by e-mail)**
28. DCC – Notice of Temporary Footpath Closure for footpath 57 (part) WB from 0700hrs on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 to 1700hrs on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017 to facilitate works to undertake an archaeological evaluation.
29. **DALC** - The Voice of the Councillor 2017 Final Version and Town and Parish Council Questionnaire **(Circulated by e-mail)**  
**DALC Circulars:- No 09/2017 – General – DALC AGM; New General Data Protection Regs; DALC's new offices; Local Councils Explained for £10; HR Advice statutory breaks for employees; Report, Voice of the Councillor; Legal Briefing; £13M Woodland Grant confirmed (Circulated)**  
**No 10/2017 – General – DALC Survey; Derbyshire Cllr in final 8 of NALC Cllr of year awards; HR responsibilities & appraisals; Big Lottery Fund; Win 40k match funding; Heritage Lottery; Gen Data Protection Regs; PAT testing; Litter Innovation Fund; Reminders – Events & Training Diary (Circulated)**
30. DCC – information for Town and Parish Councils regarding Snow Warden Scheme. **(Circulated)**  
 Peak Park Parishes Forum – Forum’s audited accounts. **(Circulated)**
31. Rural Action Derbyshire – notification of AGM on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 3.30pm in the Gallery Room, the Whitworth Centre, Darley Dale. **(Circulated)**
32. Holocaust Memorial Day Trust – request to commemorate Memorial Day on 27<sup>th</sup> January each year. **(Circulated)**
33. PDNPA – agenda for Parishes’ Day on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017, 9.30am at Aldern House, Bakewell. **(Circulated)**

**C17/068 Planning**

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

Application	Decision
HPK/2017/0177 Demolition of existing buildings and construction of a new dwelling	

with attached garage. 87 Merlewood, Chapel Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs Bromley - <b>FULL</b>	Approved
<b>HPK/2017/0338</b> Certificate of proposed lawful development for the conversion of the existing garage to habitable space. 12, Reddish Road, Whaley Bridge. Mrs Beryl Jackson <b>CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS</b>	Approved
<b>HPK/2017/0350</b> Proposed replacement signage 1-3 Buxton Road, Whaley Bridge. Co-op Food - Food Programme Delivery Orchid Group <b>ADVERTISEMENT CONSENT</b>	Approved

**RESOLVED:** to comment as below on new Planning Applications received:-

<b>Application</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>DOC/2017/0071</b> Discharge of conditions 5,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,18,20,21,23,26,28,29 & 30 in relation to HPK/2014/0119 application for 107 dwellings and associated works. Land off Linglongs Road, Whaley Bridge. BDW Trading as Barrett Homes <b>DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS</b>	Defer to next meeting when should be delivered
<b>HPK/2017/0414</b> Revised application - Enlargement of previously approved rear extension and extension to rear elevation at first floor level. 3 Meadowfield, Whaley Bridge. Mr Robert Heathcote <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b>	No Comment
<b>HPK/2017/0425</b> Erection of a single storey rear extension to form Utility and erection of single storey front porch. 4 Trinity Mews, 48 Buxton Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs D Holt <b>LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE</b>	No Comment
<b>DOC/2017/0075</b> Discharge of condition4 relating to application HPK/2017/0166 Conversion of roof space above existing garage and porch and two storey extension to side to create habitable ancillary accommodation. 1 The Dell, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs M&A Wassell <b>DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS</b>	No Comment
<b>DET/2017/0012</b> Proposed change of use of agricultural building to one dwelling house. Barn at Slatersbank Farm, Start Lane, Whaley Bridge. Mrs Stella Whitehurst <b>DET – Change of use</b>	No Comment
<b>HPK/2017/0429</b> Development of 6no new build dwellings (use class C3) Shire Croft, Reservoir Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr Tom Kelly <b>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</b>	Defer to next meeting when should be delivered

<b>HPK/2017/0398</b> Ground floor single storey extension. 20, New Horwich Road, Whaley Bridge. Miss Tamsin Cunningham <b>CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS</b>	No Comment
<b>HPK/2017/0221</b> Proposed detached garage. The Nook, Start Lane, Whaley Bridge. Mr Dominic Medway <b>CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS</b>	No Comment
<b>Proposed Diversion of Public Footpath No 5(part) Whaley Bridge</b>	No Comment
<b>DOC/2017/0081</b> Discharge of conditions 3, 4, 5 & 6 relating to application HPK/2017/0160 . Removal of two unauthorised greenhouses and retention of a greenhouse and timber storage shed. Land east of Linglongs Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs Brooks <b>DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS</b>	Defer to next meeting when should be delivered
<b>DOC/2017/0083</b> Discharge of conditions relating to application HPK/2016/0506 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>DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS</b>	Defer to next meeting when should be delivered

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk write to Planning at High Peak Borough Council to point out that as a Statutory Consultee it is imperative that the papers applications for comment should be delivered on time to the Council.

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