

WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on Thursday 9th November 2017 in The Meeting Room, Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge.

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

In Attendance: 2 members of the public and P Leppard, Locum Clerk

C17/117 Apologies for Absence

These were received from Cllr Taylor, and also from Borough Cllr Andrew Fox.

C17/118 Declarations of Members' Interests and Dispensation Applications

There were none in respect of items on the agenda.

C17/119 Community Police

There was no report from the Police.

C17/120 Public Participation

Mr Jon Goldfinch spoke about (i) trees are growing out of a retaining wall near Carr Field, (ii) works to be carried out shortly by HPBC around the entrance to Carr Field, (iii) a loose grid in the carriageway of Lower Macclesfield Rd and (iv) a tree removed near the White Horse PH which he felt may have been in contravention of a Tree Preservation Order.

C17/121 Updates from County and Borough Councillors on matters of concern to Town Council members

County Cllr Alison Fox spoke about (i) revised DCC Dial-a-Bus arrangements and (ii) proposals for additional double-yellow lines on one side of the road under Bridge No.42, and from the Jodrell Arms northwards to the 30mph sign.

Cllr Pritchard noted that, in his borough councillor role, he had attended the AGMs of the Glossopdale Furniture Project and of High Peak CVS. At the latter, the availability of grants from Foundation Derbyshire had been highlighted.

C17/122 Minutes of the last meetings held

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the last meeting of Whaley Bridge Town Council held on Thursday 12 October 2017 are a true and correct record of the meeting and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

C17/123 Clerk's Report

RESOLVED to note the Clerk's Report

RESOLVED: That Poll Cards are required for the by-election in Furness Vale Ward on 14 December.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council will write to (i) the Chief Executive of the Canal & River Trust expressing disquiet at its handling of the Todd Brook memorial bridge proposal and (ii) Mr Graham Aldred, to thank him for his efforts.

C17/124 Accounts for Payment

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

Cheque Number	Payee	Description	Amount £
Whaley Bridge Town Council			
UT 017	Cabins & Containers	Expandastore at Pavilion	2,360.40
UT 018	Open Spaces Society	Annual subscription	45.00
UT 019	CPRE	Annual subscription	36.00
UT 020	S'N'S Trees	Remove tree - Brookfield Pond	138.00
004	Fran Frodsham	Winter planting - Bridge Planters	425.00
005	Design Everything	Toddbrook Interpretation panel	288.00
006	PEAC (UK) Ltd	Photocopier Lease	270.40
007		Petty cash	19.36
008	Mechanics Institute	Rent of office/hire of meeting-room	597.17
009	AK Products	Stationery & printing	237.36
DD	Trusted IT Ltd	IT support	84.24
DD	TalkTalk	Office phone	36.66
Unity	Salaries	Salaries November	3,309.02
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Total October	£ 7,846.61
Mechanics Institute			
011	Martin McColl	Newspapers	48.80
012	Stanway & Hallows Electrical	Light bulbs	6.72
013		Petty cash	5.00
Unity	Salaries	Salaries November	1,311.72
DD	Opus Energy	Electricity supply	81.94
DD	Gazprom	Gas	47.80
	Mechanics Institute	Total October	£ 1,501.98

Sports Association			
546	Mechanics Institute	Caretaker	22.50
547	Town Council	Admin/salary	198.42
548	S Drinkwater & Son	Toilet seat	28.80
DD	SAGE	Sgae One Accounts	18.00
DD	HPBC	Council Tax	151.00
DD	Water Plus	Water	11.78
	Sports Association	Total October	£ 430.50
	Total Expenditure	Total October	£ 9,779.09

C17/125 Financial Reports

RESOLVED: To note the Financial Reports for October which had been circulated to all members and that the Bank Balances at 26 October stood at:

Whaley Bridge Town Council		£
Current Account	RBS A/C Closed	-
Deposit Account	RBS A/C Closed	-
CCLA Deposit Fund		50,000.00
Unity Trust - Current Account		1,149.20
Unity Trust - Deposit Account		52,202.00
Petty Cash		75.00
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		103,426.20
Mechanics Institute		£
Current Account*		25,813.27
Deposit Account		
Unity Trust Bank		3,102.81
*In process of being transferred to Unity Trust		<hr/>
		28,916.08
Sports Association		£
Current Account		5,856.39
Deposit Account		<hr/>
		60,843.45
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		66,699.84

C17/126 Budget for the Financial Year 2018/2019

RESOLVED: That the first draft of the proposed Budget be amended to show £4,000 for Elections and £1,400 for Well-dressing Marquee.

(Councillors will undertake further research into possible options for reducing or eliminating the well-dressing sum.)

C17/127 Reports from representatives on outside bodies

The Station Car Park Working Group's vegetation-clearance plans were noted (to facilitate a new path to improve disabled access to the station).

The resignation of the Vice-chair of the Sports Association was noted.

C17/128 Requests for financial assistance

RESOLVED: To offer the Royal British Legion the copying - annually - of the Orders of Service for the Whaley Bridge Remembrance Day service, at the Council's cost.

RESOLVED: To make a donation to the Friends of Memorial Park (re lantern workshops and parade) of £200 plus the room-hire cost of 2 workshops.

Cllr Clarke declared an interest, as a member of Whaley Bridge Canal Group, in their request for a donation.

RESOLVED: to make a donation to Whaley Bridge Canal Group of £125 towards its Christmas Market event. ome help towards purchasing some small gifts. We're not charging to see Santa but would like to offer

C17/129 Tree Planters on Market Street

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

C17/130 Whaley4Wards

RESOLVED: That Whaley4Wards will become a formal Committee of Whaley Bridge Town Council, with Terms of Reference as below, and chaired by Mr Jon Goldfinch.

**WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL
COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE**

Committee Name

Whaley4Wards

Type

Whaley4Wards is a Committee of Whaley Bridge Town Council which was established by Whaley Bridge Town Council on 12th May 2011, Minute Number C11/28

Purpose

Whaley4Wards will consider regeneration projects within Whaley Bridge in collaboration with the High Peak Borough Council Regeneration Scheme, when eligible, to

- Deliver schemes to reduce local unemployment, provide employment opportunities or assist local people to develop skills or training relevant to the local economy.
- Support the development and delivery of events to encourage visitors to the town business centre, which will help support spend in local shops and thus help sustain employment.
- To invest in public realm, shops front or environmental enhancements within the town's business centre to ensure the town is attractive and able to maintain visitor and/or business confidence.
- To deliver improved marketing, retail initiatives or promotion of the town, to attract visitors or local people into the town's business centre and thus support town centre businesses and local employment.

Scope

Regeneration Projects outside Whaley Bridge will be considered but will not be part of the High Peak Borough Council Regeneration Scheme and will not qualify for financial support from it.

Authority

Decisions will only be made in properly constituted meetings by a majority of members present and will be recorded in the Committee's Minutes.

A quorum shall be one third of the membership of the committee with a minimum of three.

The Committee can spend up to a maximum of £400.00 per project providing that this has been approved by the delegated Whaley Bridge Town Councillors on the Committee and minuted in a properly constituted meeting of the Committee. Any expenditure above this amount must be approved at a full, properly constituted meeting of the Town Council. Disaggregation of a project into ≤£400 spends in order to avoid full Council authorisation is not permitted.

The Committee will be subject to and must comply with Whaley Bridge Town Council Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.

Membership

There shall be 17 members of the Committee, made up as follows:

Three Councillors from Whaley Bridge Town Council

One representative from High Peak Borough Council

One representative from Derbyshire County Council

Twelve residents of Whaley Bridge civil parish

The members shall be appointed by Whaley Bridge Town Council

There shall be a chair person who shall have the casting vote in the event of an equality of votes. The Chair shall be elected every year at the first meeting after May 1st.

Meeting arrangements

Meetings shall be held at least six times per year.

Agendas for the meeting shall be circulated to members of the Committee one week in advance of the meeting.

As a Committee of Whaley Bridge Town Council, Meetings must be held in public and publicised in advance.

The minutes of the previous meeting must be approved and signed as a true and correct record at every meeting.

Reporting

The Committee will report to Whaley Bridge Town Council at a properly constituted meeting of the Council as soon as is practicably possible.

Resources and budget

The annual budget for Whaley4Wards will be set by Whaley Bridge Town Council as part of its Annual Budget.

Review

These Terms of Reference were approved by Whaley Bridge Town Council on 9 November 2017 and will be reviewed every year by the Council at its Annual Meeting.

RESOLVED: That the following Whaley4Wards projects should proceed:

- a. Community litter-pick of Whaley and Shalcross Inclines
- b. Brookfield Pond gates renovation
- c. Top of Shallcross Incline: Paving slabs beneath interpretation panel
- d. Foot of Shallcross Incline: Provision of interpretation panel
- e. Ringstones Industrial Estate: entrance sign
- f. Purchase of branded hi-vis jackets (cheapest available price to be sought)
- g. Purchase of limestone chippings

It was decided that additional insurance in connection with Whaley4Wards activity is not currently required.

C17/131 Diversion of Whaley Bridge Public Footpath 60

RESOLVED: To not pursue diversion of this footpath, and instead to suggest to Whaley Bridge Amenity Society that they seek inclusion of the alternative route on the Definitive Map.

C17/132 Correspondence received

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

1. RAD – Fire Safety Training – Community halls, Churches and other faith buildings.
2. Football Foundation – Support day health Check Phone Call Report.
3. Kettlethulme Parish Council – confirmation Proposed Footbridge, Toddbrook Reservoir being raised at October meeting.
4. Jim Medway – Furness Vale Primary School Crossing information with photographs.
5. Jon Goldfinch – quote for powdercoating Brookfield Pond gates, transport and paint.
6. DCC – Proposed diversion of Footpath 91 consultation.
7. Bruno Peek – Battles Over – A Nation’s Tribute & New Guide to taking part – 11 November 2018
8. Susanne Lomas – Notice of a meeting at Furness Vale Community Centre at 8pm on 10 November and information about registering concerns regarding erection of fencing/gates in the car park next to the Community Centre.
9. RBL Whaley Bridge Branch – requesting assistance with financial costs of organising the Town’s Remembrance Day service.
10. Open Spaces – Open Space Autumn issue Vol 31 No 10.
11. Jaine Wright – Friends of Memorial Park request for funding towards costs associated with WB Xmas lights turn on and celebrations.
12. Mr Handford – update on Shallcross wall work, expecting to start by 2nd week of November.
13. DALC Circular No 12/2017
14. CPRE – copy of Peakland Guardian – Winter 2017
15. Graham Aldred – Toddbrook memorial Footbridge: Update 8.
16. Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport – information concerning launch of door-to-door shopping service from 1 October 2017.
17. HPBC – Notice of call for Furness Vale Ward By-election which will be held on Thursday 14 December if contested.

Cllr Lomax left the meeting at this point.

C17/133 Planning

Cllr Swift noted that, in respect of application DOC/2017/0071 which had been noted at the Council’s October meeting, the question of carparking used by the residents of Woodley needs clarification. The Clerk will follow this up.

RESOLVED: to note the following decisions:

Application	Decision
<p>HPK/2016/0337 Erection of two storey building with part basement and the roof space utilised. Building to include a restaurant/café bar and retail unit at ground floor with basement linked to the restaurant/café bar. The first floor and roof space will contain five self-contained apartments. (Part retrospective)</p> <p>39 Buxton Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr Brett Galley</p> <p>FULL – PART RETROSPECTIVE</p>	<p>Refused</p>
<p>DET/2017/0012 Proposed change of use of agricultural building to one dwelling house.</p> <p>Barn at Slatersbank Farm, Start Lane, Whaley Bridge. Mrs Stella Whitehurst</p> <p>DET – Change of use</p>	<p>Prior Approval Refused</p>
<p>HPK/2017/0321 Proposed replacement dwelling, landscape works & erection of new agricultural building</p> <p>Sunart, Eccles Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs Geoff & Rachel Evatt</p> <p>HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</p>	<p>Approved</p>
<p>HPK/2016/0640 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>CONSULTATION PLANNING APPLICATION</p>	<p>Approved</p>
<p>HPK/2017/0398 Ground floor single storey extension.</p> <p>20, New Horwich Road, Whaley Bridge. Miss Tamsin Cuninghame</p> <p>CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS</p>	<p>Not Lawful Refused</p>
<p>HPK/2017/0221 Proposed detached garage.</p> <p>The Nook, Start Lane, Whaley Bridge. Mr Dominic Medway</p> <p>CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS</p>	<p>Not Lawful Refused</p>

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

Application	Comments
<p>HPK/2017/0492 Erection of garage and interconnecting ramp between accesses. Toddbrook, Start Lane, Whaley Bridge. Miss L Inger HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</p>	No comment
<p>HPK/2017/0503 Two storey rear extension providing additional living space at ground and lower ground floor. 1, Cotton Close, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs Keeling HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</p>	No comment
<p>HPK/2017/0521 New single storey extension at the rear of the property including a raised decking area, to replace an existing conservatory. 4, Waterfoot Lane, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs Diaczuk HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</p>	No comment
<p>HPK/2017/0505 Rear single storey morning room domestic extension 7, Walters Wood, Whaley Bridge. Mr N & Mrs E Foxton HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</p>	No comment
<p>HPK/2017/0247 Reserved matters application for 107 dwellings and associated works. Land off Linglongs Road, Whaley Bridge. BDW Trading as Barrett Homes RESERVED MATTERS</p>	WBTC regards the proposed access arrangements as inadequate, as evidenced by DCC's report of 19/9/17, ref. HDC/IT/58580
<p>HPK/2017/0254 Revisions Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 14 dwellings Land off, Bingswood Road, Whaley Bridge. Alliance Living Limited FULL</p>	No comment

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting

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Chairman

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Date