

WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on
Thursday 11th July 2019 in**

The Meeting Room, Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge

Present: Councillors: Thomas (Chair), Bowden, Lomax, McCarthy, Pritchard and Swift.

In Attendance: Twelve members of the public and Andrew Fox, Town Clerk.

C19/054 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Gilmour, Hall, Taylor and DCC Cllr Fox.

C19/055 Declarations of Members' Interests and Dispensation Applications

None

C19/056 Community Police

A report was received from PCSO Tracy Jones; there had been 10 reported Crimes in the last month, 2 cases of domestic violence, 2 cases of theft, 4 cases of anti-social behaviour, one case of burglary and one case of assault.

C19/057 Public Participation

A member of the public raised a concern about the ongoing flooding issues with the DOC/2017/0071 planning application. The resident referenced a number of reports he has done on the issue which are available on the planning website. The resident then circulated a report which is attached to the minutes.

RESOLVED: To send the reports to HPBC and request a response to the reports.

Another member of the public spoke about the issue of Heavy Good Vehicles getting lost and stuck down Woodbrook. Numerous residents attended the meeting and put forward a spokesperson to speak about the issue. He said that recently there has been an increase in the number of HGVs getting lost and stuck down Woodbrook as the land is unsuitable and there is no space to turn around. The resident once came home to find their front lawn destroyed by a HGV which almost collided with his house while trying to turn around. The most recent issue was with a large coach getting stuck down Woodbrook blocking the entrance. The coach broke down and was stuck for 4 days while the repair team directed traffic over his front lawn. The resident continued that they were not blaming the business on Bingswood but rather that the road signage at the top of Canal Street was not working effectively as the HGVs were coming down Bridge Street.

C19/058 Updates from County and Borough Councillors on matters of concern to the Town Council

Cllr Lomax reported that application HPK/2016/0516 had been refused on appeal. There was no other Cllr present and no reports were received.

C19/059 Minutes of previous meeting

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the last meeting of Whaley Bridge Town Council held on Thursday 13 June 2019 are a true and correct record of the meeting, the Chair was authorised to sign them.

C19/060 Clerk's Report

RESOLVED: To note the Clerk's report.

C19/061 Finance etc

RESOLVED: That the Accounts for Payment listed below are paid.

	Jul-19	Payments	11/07/2019
Cheque Number	Payee	Description	Amount £
Whaley Bridge Town Council			
	Salaries	Net salaries	£3,133.83
	HMRC	PAYE	£483.75
	Petty Cash	Office supplies & postage	£25.26
	Rialtas Business Solutions	Account software 6 month	£153.00
DD	TalkTalk Business	Telephone/Broadband	£37.20
DD	Trusted IT	Backup/365 Lic/Website	£96.72
	Andrew Fox	Cash withdrawn for petty cash	£41.83
	S Drinkwater	saws, goggles, weed killer, etc	£41.39
	WB Community Trust	NP meeting and refreshments	£26.10
	Hannah Webb	Anti-litter posters	£100.00
	M L Thomas	Reimburse for reading vouchers	£50.00
	M L Thomas	Reimburse for A4 posters	£18.00
	Review Publishing	Full colour advertisement	£46.18
	Review Publishing	Newsletter distribution	£134.40
	Stockport Growing in P/ship	Movement of old planter from Furness to Vaughan Road	£50.00
	Stockport Growing in P/ship	Construction of new planters	£110.00
	Fran Frodsham	5 Sandal planters & maintenance	£550.00
	Fran Frodsham	67 hanging baskets & maintenance	£4,700.00
	Fran Frodsham	Ground maintenance 2019	£2,050.00
	Mechanics Institute	Room hire	£598.17
	Mechanics Institute	New Mills U3A wrongly received	£48.00
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Total	£12,493.83
Mechanics Institute			
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Wages offcharge - Sweetmore/Lugg	£1,115.80
	British Gas	Annual Boiler Service agreement	£412.61
DD	High Peak BC	Non-domestic rates	£54.00
DD	Gazprom	Gas	£162.51
DD	Opus Energy	Electricity	£22.41
DD	United Utilities	Water	£53.24
300039	McColl's	Newspapers	£63.23
	Mechanics Institute	Total	£1,883.80

Sports Association			
DD	SAGE	Sage One Accounts	£18.00
614	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Wages offcharge - Sweetmore/Lugg	£525.28
615	S Drinkwater	Dry verges X 20 plus pack	£85.50
DD	HPBC	Non-domestic rates	£160.00
DD	Water Plus	Water	£12.29
	Sports Association	Total	£801.07
	Total Expenditure	Total	£15,178.70

RESOLVED: to note the Financial Reports for June 2019 which had been circulated to all members, and the bank balances at 30th June stood at:

Whaley Bridge Town Council	£
CCLA Deposit Fund	88,000.00
Unity Trust - Current Account	20,025.42
Unity Trust - Deposit Account	40,956.17
Petty Cash	33.19
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	149,014.78
Mechanics Institute	£
Unity Trust - Current Account	11,778.62
Unity Trust - Deposit Account	28,138.35
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	39,916.97
Sports Association	£
Current Account	8,585.48
Deposit Account	67,051.83
Petty Cash	0.00
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	75,637.31

C19/062 Grant and Donations Policy

RESOLVED: To approve the Grant and Donations Policy.

C19/063 Furness Vale COGS presentation regarding Pavilion Funding

Received and noted a report from the COGS committee.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will contact COGS to ensure all the due diligence and information required under the Grant and Donations Policy has been carried out or obtained and the application will be further considered at the September meeting.

C19/064 Mechanics Institute Disabled Access next steps

RESOLVED: To attempt to arrange a meeting with Mr Cunningham to request if we are able to adjust the side passage to allow for disabled access.

C19/065 Co-option of Town Council Vacancies

RESOLVED: To approve the application form with minor amendments and to circulate the form to interested parties.

C19/066 Updated Policy Documents

RESOLVED: To approve the updated (i) Equality Policy, (ii) Disciplinary and Grievance Policy, (iii) Data Protection Policy and (iv) Complaints Procedure subject to amendments to give all policies the same format and that policies should be reviewed at least bi annually.

C19/067 Training and Development Policy

RESOLVED: To approve the Training and Development Policy.

C19/068 Signage to Bingswood Industrial Estate

RESOLVED: To move this item forward to be considered after agenda item 4.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will contact Steven Alcock at DCC requesting a site visit to try and resolve the inadequate signage issues including, a 7.5 T weight limit and a no turning for HGVs sign.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will send a letter to the business on Bingswood Industrial Estate requesting that they provide clear instructions on how to get to the estate to all delivery drivers.

C19/069 Training and Development Policy

RESOLVED: To approve the Training and Development Policy.

C19/070 Mechanics Institute Wallpapering Update

A report was received and noted from the Clerk.

C19/071 Phone and Broadband Contract agreement

RESOLVED: To accept the quote from TalkTalk Business for the same unlimited calls to land line and mobile in the UK with upgraded fibre broadband at a cost of £26.95 plus VAT with no installation cost on the fibre.

C19/072 Fence work at the Sports Pavilion

RESOLVED: To approve the quote from Stockport Fencing of £1,708.42 plus VAT for the installation of fencing around the back of the Pavilion.

C19/073 Painting of Town Council bus shelters

RESOLVED: Cllr Bowden would attend the next meeting of Whaley 4 Wards to present the project idea of painting the council's bus shelters.

C19/074 SLCC membership

RESOLVED: To renew the Clerks membership subscription of the SLCC at a cost of £175.00 for the year.

C19/075 A6 in Furness Vale

RESOLVED: To contact Steve Alcock at DCC regarding a site visit to establish if it would be possible to place an island along the A6 to slow traffic and where the most effective location of the island would be.

C19/076 Whaley Bridge Neighbourhood Plan – Progress, Expenditure

A report was received and noted from Cllrs Pritchard and Thomas

RESOLVED: To appoint Cllr Martin Thomas as the main contact for the grant application to locality.

C19/077 Reports from Committees and representatives on outside bodies

a) Regeneration Committee

RESOLVED: To approve the following proposal by the Regeneration Committee.

1) To approve a £1,500.00 payment for Angels shop front scheme's completed works which have gone through the required due diligence.

b) Personnel Committee

To set up a Personnel Committee meeting to discuss the Clerk's hours and Appraisals.

c) Whaley Bridge Canal Group

There had not been another meeting since the last Town Council meeting with further meetings on the 15th and 16th of July.

d) High Peak & Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership

Cllr Pritchard commented the postponed next meeting is now on the 18th July at 10.00am at the Uniting Church and that anyone was welcome to attend.

e) Whaley Bridge Allotments Working Group

Nothing to report.

f) Whaley Bridge Sports Association

Nothing to report.

C19/078 Correspondence

RESOLVED: To note correspondence received from 13 June:

1. HPBC Community Projects (via Cllr Lomax) – regarding WBTC -air pollution monitoring project funding request and whether liaison has taken place with Alicia Patterson's Regulatory Services team, also undertaking similar monitoring.
RESOLVED: The Clerk would contact HPBC to find out HPBC's air monitoring projects.
2. University of Derby – Civic University Agreement consultation. Survey open until Friday 12th July 2019.
3. Derek Cadwallader (via WBTC Chairman) – e-mail regarding problems with Heavy Goods Vehicles missing Canal Street and arriving at Woodbrook over the limited weight bridge on George Street.
4. Kevin Gilman (via WBTC Chairman) - e-mail with photographs regarding problems with Heavy Goods Vehicles missing Canal Street and arriving at Woodbrook over the limited weight bridge on George Street.
5. HPBC – Land off Linglongs Road changed road names proposed.
6. Jon Goldfinch – safer roads fund application form documentation for suggested consideration with regards to A5004 – Long Hill and applying pressure for incorporation of changes beneficial to WB in light of the road being reported as 'most dangerous road in Britain' with regard to motorcycles.
7. **DALC/NALC**
Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Circular 09/2019

Neighbourhood Plan Process;
DET Funding Scheme;
Secret Ballots;
NALC Lobby for Financial Services Ombudsman to cover local councils;
Public Sector Bodies regs;
Guidance on naming individuals in minutes;
Training of Councillors.

C19/079 Planning**RESOLVED:** To note the following decisions of High Peak Borough Council:**Committee Decisions – None****Delegated Decisions**

Application	Decision
HPK/2019/0152 Two storey side extension and single storey porch extension 1, The Coppice, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs Wesley & Val Vernon HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL	Approved
HPK/2019/0151 Application for Lawful Development Certificate for a proposed loft conversion with rear dormer and opaque glazed side window. 108, Buxton Road, Furness Vale. Mr Graham Bennett CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULLNESS	Approved
HPK/2019/0096 Single storey garage extension 21, Meadow Close, Whaley Bridge. Mr Daniel Derbyshire HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL	Approved

Peak Park Planning Decisions – None**RESOLVED:** That the Council had the following comments on the new applications:

Application	Comments
HPK/2019/0275 Retrospective application for the creation of temporary access from A6 (Buxton Road) and localised stoning up on site for ground investigation vehicles Land off, Buxton Road, Furness Vale. Mr Chris Little (Guinness Partnership) FULL	No Comment
HPK/2019/0278 Listed Building Consent to replace the windows, fit a radiator to the front ground floor officer and carrying out a service on the Central Heating system, swap the electric fuse board, replace existing toilets and wash hand basins, replace existing kitchen, remove a very badly constructed 1970's plywood partition to the first floor and re- decorating throughout Outram House, Canal Street, Whaley Bridge. Mr Richard Newman (Goyt Construction Ltd) LISTED BUILDING CONSENT	No Comment

<p>HPK/2019/0186 New and retrospective permission for single storey storage and commercial units with use B1 and B8. The Yard, Gisbourne Works, Buxton Road, Whaley Bridge. Zanie Nolan (Whaley Bridge Developments) FULL</p>	<p>Whaley Bridge Town Council object to this application on the basis the B8 usage on the road is not suitable for this area and there could be significant noise and other disturbances</p>
<p>DOC/2019/0051 Application for approval of details reserved by condition 2 re HPK/2018/0187 9, The Coppice, Whaley Bridge. Mr Roy Porch DISCHARGE OF CONDITION</p>	<p>No comment</p>

C19/080 Planning Application HPK/2019/0221 - Land Adjacent and To The Rear Of No 54 To 64, Buxton Road, Furness Vale

The Town Council have the following comments for this planning application. The Council believes it is vital that some form of agreement is made for the maintenance of the unadopted road servicing as access to the site to protect the road from the entrance of Bridgemont up to the railway bridge.

The meeting closed at 9:48 pm

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting

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Chairman

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Date