

WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on Thursday 12th September 2019 in The Meeting Room, Mechanics Institute, Market Street, Whaley Bridge

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

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

C19/054 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Gilmour 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 21 reported Crimes in the last month, 5 Road Traffic Collisions, 4 cases of shoplifting, 4 cases of domestic violence, one case of theft from a vehicle, one case of theft, 3 cases of anti-social behaviour, one case of burglary and 2 cases of assault.

RESOLVED: The Town Council would invite the new PCSO for the area Amy McKeever to a meeting to discuss issues in Whaley Bridge.

C19/057 Public Participation

A member of the public spoke about the traffic issues in Furness Vale. The resident stated that their petition had been signed by 208 residents in Furness Vale and had been submitted to the DCC legal department, the resident received a reply that the petition had been received and that Cllr Spencer would receive it tonight. The resident has also been in contact with Cllr Brownbill from Disley Parish Council, the resident stated that the people of Disley are also experiencing traffic issues. Finally he finished by stating that elderly people are still struggling to cross the A6 in Furness Vale.

RESOLVED: To agenda this item for a future meeting.

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

Cllr Lomax had nothing to report. There was no other Cllr present and no reports were received.

C19/059 Minutes of previous meeting

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the last meetings of Whaley Bridge Town Council held on Thursday 8 August 2019 and Thursday 11 July 2019 are a true and correct record of the meeting, the Chair was authorised to sign them.

C19/060 Clerk's Report**RESOLVED:** To hold a Brookfield Pond committee meeting with local stake holders.**C19/061 Finance etc****RESOLVED:** That the Accounts for Payment listed below are paid.

	Aug+Sep-19	Payments	12/09/2019
Cheque Number	Payee	Description	Amount £
Whaley Bridge Town Council			
	Salaries	Net salaries Aug	£3,268.67
	Salaries	Net salaries Sep	£3,133.83
	HMRC	PAYE August	£537.54
	HMRC	PAYE September	£628.02
	Petty Cash	Office supplies & postage	£28.41
	Andrew Fox	Money taken out for petty cash	£71.41
DD	TalkTalk Business	Telephone/Broadband Jul	£37.38
DD	TalkTalk Business	Telephone/Broadband Aug	£5.14
DD	TalkTalk Business	Telephone/Broadband Sep	£25.13
DD	Trusted IT	Backup/365 Lic/Website	£96.72
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	D.S.Marks Ltd	Shopfront Scheme	£1,612.50
	Paintmaster 2000	Paint for MI and W4W	£66.00
	SKC Limited	Ghostwipes + Ozone test strips	£255.90
	WB Community Trust	NP plan meetings	£10.00
	M L Thomas	Reimburse from Dam Incident	£204.95
	SNS Trees	Branch removal at pond	£114.00
300035	Gradko International	Diffusion Tubes	£463.44
	Review Publishing	Newsletter distribution	£134.40
300032	Little Fika Ltd	Refreshments for traders meeting	£58.95
	Altodigital	Photocopier usage	£21.41
	Carol Cade	Np expenses	£51.67
	AK Products	Newsletter printing	£200.40
	AK Products	Anti – litter posters	£122.40
	AK Products	Office supplies	£21.00
	PEAC Finance	Photocopier lease	£245.74
	Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Bus shelter cleaning	£63.00
	DALC	Arnold Baker 11 th edition	£111.50
	SLCC	Clerk's membership	£175.00
	Mechanics Institute	Room hire	£502.17
	Mechanics Institute	Room hire	£624.17
	Mechanics Institute	New Mills U3A wrongly received X2	£96.00
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Total	£13,083.57

Mechanics Institute			
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Wages offcharge - Sweetmore/Lugg	£1,115.80
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Wages offcharge - Sweetmore/Lugg	£1,340.80
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Reimbursement of Paintmaster	£18.00
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Reimbursement of Petty cash	£43.00
DD	High Peak BC	Non-domestic rates	£54.00
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DD	Gazprom	Gas	£113.02
DD	Gazprom	Gas	£92.52
DD	Gazprom	Gas	£96.95
DD	Opus Energy	Electricity	£71.20
DD	Opus Energy	Electricity	£73.20
DD	United Utilities	Water	£53.24
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300041	McColl's	Newspapers	£100.15
	Stanway & Hallows	Replacement tube lights	£14.94
	Fran Frodsham	Window boxes	£60.00
	Community HeartBeat Trust	Replacement defib pads	£173.76
	Mechanics Institute	Total	£3,528.82
Sports Association			
DD	SAGE	Sage One Accounts	£21.60
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617	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Wages offcharge - Sweetmore/Lugg	£498.28
618	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Wages offcharge – Sweetmore/Lugg	£525.28
619	Total Gas & Power	Electricity	£392.48
616	Cleveland Containers	New container	£2,472.00
620	SNS Trees	Hedge trimming and tree cutting	£462.00
621	Bywatergas	Propane refill	£98.00
622	Tameside Fire Protection	Fire extinguisher service	£60.41
623	Mechanics Institute	Reimburse defib pads	£113.76
DD	HPBC	Non-domestic rates	£160.00
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DD	Water Plus	Water	£12.29
DD	Water Plus	Water	£12.19
	Sports Association	Total	£5,009.99
	Total Expenditure	Total	£21,622.38

RESOLVED: to note the Financial Reports for August 2019 which had been circulated to all members, and the bank balances at 31st August stood at:

Whaley Bridge Town Council	£
CCLA Deposit Fund	88,000.00
Unity Trust - Current Account	7,212.42
Unity Trust - Deposit Account	40,956.17
Petty Cash	3.61
	136,172.20

Mechanics Institute	£
Unity Trust - Current Account	13,273.91
Unity Trust - Deposit Account	28,138.35
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Sports Association	£
Current Account	9,799.50
Deposit Account	67,074.97
Petty Cash	0.00
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C19/062 Donation to COGS

RESOLVED: To provide a donation of £10,000.00 towards their Pavilion building, the Clerk confirmed that the necessary due diligence has been carried out.

C19/063 Co-option of Town Council Vacancies

RESOLVED: To move this item to be considered before planning.

C19/064 Flood warning: Community telemetry, jointly with Kettleshulme

Received and noted a report from Cllr Thomas

RESOLVED: To attempt to arrange a meeting between Kettleshulme Parish Council, Cheshire East Council, High Peak Borough Council and Whaley Bridge Town Council.

C19/065 Updating the Town Guide

RESOLVED: To bring this item back to a future meeting to look at providing maps and services for Walkers. That Cllrs Hall and Thomas meet with the Clerk to discuss keeping the website up to date.

C19/066 Leaflets for Traders

Received a report from Cllr Thomas

RESOLVED: To approve a £250.00 budget to provide an information leaflet for the traders.

C19/067 Storage Container for donated sand bags at the Sports Compound

RESOLVED: To get prices for a suitable container and sandbags for a future meeting.

C19/068 Service of Thanksgiving

RESOLVED: To hold a service of thanksgiving on the 28th of September at 12.00pm.

RESOLVED: To establish a committee with Cllrs Hall, McCarthy, Gilmour and Thomas to consider final arrangement for the event.

RESOLVED: To approve a £2,500.00 budget for the event.

RESOLVED: Invitations are sent out to the key contributors.

- C19/069 Recognition of Services provided**
- RESOLVED:** To acquire 3 books of reflection and to invite residents to come write about their experiences with the dam incident. The cost of the books would be taken from the £2,500.00 thanksgiving budget.
- C19/070 Holder of Plot 37 request to place various structures and to hold events at the plot**
- RESOLVED:** to allow the holder to place the requested greenhouse, fence and shed at the plot but that all events should be organised in conjunction with the Allotment Management group.
- C19/071 Whaley Bridge Neighbourhood Plan – Progress, Expenditure**
- Received a report from Cllr Pritchard
- RESOLVED:** That Cllr Pritchard and Thomas can approve minor expenses subject to formal agreement by Council before payment.
- C19/072 Works at Toddbrook Reservoir, current status and future prospects**
- Received a report from Cllr Thomas
- RESOLVED:** To contact DCC regarding the damage caused to Reservoir Road from Heavy Vehicles accessing the Reservoir. To contact HPBC and DCC to request they remove all unnecessary road signs that have been left throughout Whaley Bridge.
- C19/073 Review and adoption of Financial Regulations**
- RESOLVED:** To adopt the updated Financial Regulations.
- C19/074 Volunteer Bureau Request for Phone Line**
- RESOLVED:** To wait for further developments and to consider this item again at a later meeting.
- C19/075 Request for funds to assist Memorial Day**
- RESOLVED:** That the crosses will be placed again and to reply to the request saying that as there is no known evening events that no new tea lights will be purchased however there are some from last year if required.
- RESOLVED:** To purchase 3 wreaths for the 3 War Memorials.
- C19/076 Whaley Bridge Sports Association Recommendations**
- A report was received and noted from Cllr Thomas
- RESOLVED:** To agenda the item of cleaning around the Pavilion at a later meeting.
- C19/077 Reports from Committees and representatives on outside bodies**
- a) Regeneration Committee
- Received a report from Cllr Thomas.
- RESOLVED:** To approve the following proposal.
- 1) To approve a £120.00 budget for the purchase of Daffodil buds.

b) Personnel Committee

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

c) Whaley Bridge Canal Group

There had not been another meeting since the last Town Council meeting with a further meeting next week.

d) High Peak & Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership

Cllr Pritchard commented he attended the last meeting where friends groups raised the point it was difficult to find a local Northern Rail Contact. He continued to state that the next meeting was on the 16th October and that Andrew Walker was unfortunately still unwell.

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 12 July:

1. Carol James – letter of thanks for all the assistance from WB Town Council for the Welldressing.
2. SMDC & HPBC – Reply regarding their air monitoring in relation to WBTC campaign mainly focused on raising awareness with the local schools. **RESOLVED:** to contact Amanda Smcock regarding the grant application.
3. WB & District Volunteers – request for consideration of adding their existing land line to the Town Council's 'Office Package'. (Agenda Item)
4. HPBCllr Damien Greenhalgh – outline for a review the approach to town centre regeneration and his intention to arrange a meeting to discuss partnership work with the three central local councils.
5. Friends of WB Station – request for funding for their running in board project. (Agenda Item)
6. John Baker, WB RBL Poppy Organiser – enquiring if any funds remain from the Centenary to assist placing crosses again with tea lights in November 2019 together with inclusion for the Second World War. (Agenda Item)
7. WB Cricket Club – advising plans and preparations going well for Bonfire & Fireworks event and requesting confirmation of concessionary rate booking for the lantern workshop on Saturday 26 October 2019.
8. Ben Williams (Sport England) – requesting meeting with member of the Town Council to discuss healthier living assistance through a Whole System Physical Activity pilot in Whaley Bridge. **RESOLVED:** Cllr McCarthy and Cllr Lomax would look into this.
9. Ruth Gay – two suggestions regarding the village Christmas tree this year. (copy provided) **RESOLVED:** To reply thanking the resident for their comments and suggestions.
10. Sara Armstrong (National Trust) – link to their Riverlands webpages. She also has some closed, free, bookable sessions for community groups on Friday 20th and Sunday 22nd (presumably September or possibly December 2019) which the Town Council may find interesting.
11. **DALC/NALC**
Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Circular 10/2019
DALC Excellence Awards;
AGM;
NALC Larger Councils Committee;
Govmt Paper on strengthen communities;
Research on May elections;
Council housing build;
Updated Financial Regs;
Climate emergency;
CiLCA success;
Village survival;

12. DALC – CiLCA training costs
RESOLVED: to accept the CiLCA Training costs at a total expenditure of £700.00 subject to formal approval at the next meeting.

C19/079 Co-option of Town Council Vacancies

RESOLVED: That the Press and public be excluded from the meeting for the consideration of the following matters on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

RESOLVED: To leave exempt matters and allow the public to re-join the meeting. All candidates were proposed and seconded by a Councillor and put to a ballot.

RESOLVED: The three candidates who achieved a majority vote be co-opted onto the Town Council.

C19/080 Planning

RESOLVED: To note the following decisions of High Peak Borough Council:

Committee Decisions – None

Delegated Decisions

Application	Decision
HPK/2019/0105 Proposed conservatory to side elevation The Cottage, Whaley Hall, Reservoir Road, Whaley Bridge. Mrs McCloud HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL	Approved

Peak Park Planning Decisions – None

RESOLVED: That the Council had the following comments on the new applications:

Application	Comments
HPK/2019/0361 Lawful development certificate for a proposed use. Conversion of loft to an existing house with new stair access. 103, Macclesfield Road, Whaley Bridge. Justine Long FULL	No Comment
DOC/2019/0072 Discharge of conditions 3,7,8, and 11 relating to HPK/2018/0497 Kuranda House, Forge Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr Brett McLellan - Kuranda DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS	No Comment
HPK/2019/0392 Single Storey Rear Kitchen Extension 6, The Coppice, Whaley Bridge. Mr N M Tomlinson HOUSEHOLDER/FULL	The links did not work on the Planning site Clerk to investigate

<p>HPK/2019/0383 Proposed rebuild of Haystore Land At Furness Vale Stables And Farm, Station Road, Furness Vale Whaley Bridge. C/O Agent - Ruth Woodcock - Neil J Bland Ltd FULL</p>	<p>No Comment</p>
<p>HPK/2019/0390 Proposed 2 storey side extension & single storey rear extension. Including forming an additional carparking space. 6, Shallcross Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr Daniel Rogers HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</p>	<p>No Comment</p>
<p>APP/H1033/D/19/3231504 Appeal against refusal of application HPK/2019/0053 Two storey rear extension to a dwellinghouse 37, Reddish Avenue, Whaley Bridge. Mr Jackson HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL APPEAL</p>	<p>The Town Council believe in principle Green roofs should be supported.</p>
<p>HPK/2019/0410 Proposed two storey rear extension and single storey front porch 8, Stoneheads Rise, Whaley Bridge. Mr And Mrs Cutts HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL</p>	<p>The Town Council would question if the size of the extension is proportional to the size of the plot.</p>
<p>HPK/2019/0409 Certificate of Lawfullness for continued use of whole site for caravan park containing 50 static caravans, 10 touring caravans, storage for 20 touring cravans and associated uses without complying with condition attached to planning permission HPK/0003/6644 limiting capacity to 44 static caravans and 10 touring caravans. Ringstones Caravan Park, Yeadsley Lane, Furness Vale. Peak District Leisure Limited CERTIFICTE OF LAWFULLNESS EXISTING</p>	<p>The Town Council supports that the current arrangements are kept due to poor access on Yeadsley Lane.</p>

The meeting closed at 10:19 pm

Signed as a true and correct record of the meeting

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Chairman

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Date