

WHALEY BRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on Thursday 14th November 2019 in

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

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

In Attendance: 2 members of the public, PCSO Amy McKeever, PC Steven Bennett and Andrew Fox, Town Clerk.

C19/103 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs McCarthy and Smith and HPBC Cllrs K Thomson and S K Thomson.

C19/104 Declarations of Members' Interests and Dispensation Applications

Cllr Pritchard presented an interest for agenda item 9 as he was a member of Friends of Whaley Bridge Station and that he would leave the meeting when a grant was being considered. Cllr Thomas presented an interest for agenda item 9 as he is the Chair of Footsteps, he stated he intended to stay at the meeting and vote on the resolution.

C19/105 Community Police

A report was received from PCSO Amy McKeever; 0 Violent related incidents, 2 Anti-Social Behaviour, 5 Vehicle Crime, 1 Burglary's, 6 Domestic Incidents, 2 Theft one of which was attempted, 4 Road Traffic Collisions, 1 Drug related Incidents, 2 Suspicious incidents.

C19/106 Public Participation

A member of the public spoke about the ongoing planning applications relating to the Barratt Homes development as well as various flooding issues throughout Whaley Bridge including the flooding near Tesco's and the state of various culverts. They provided a report to the Council which is attached to the minutes.

RESOLVED: to add an item regarding the culverts and flooding near Tesco's to the next agenda.

C19/107 Updates from County and Borough Councillors on matters of concern to the Town Council

Cllr Lomax reported that HPBC had declared a Climate Emergency at their most recent meeting. No other Cllr was present at the meeting and no reports were received.

C19/108 Minutes of previous meeting

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the last meetings of Whaley Bridge Town Council held on Thursday 10 October 2019 are a true and correct record of the meeting, subject to the correction in minute C19/089 to add that Michael Glover and Linden Smith were co-opted onto the Council, the Chair was authorised to sign them.

C19/109 Clerk's Report

RESOLVED: To note the Clerk's report.

C19/110 Finance etc

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

	Nov-19	Payments	14/11/2019
Cheque Number	Payee	Description	Amount £
Whaley Bridge Town Council			
	Salaries	Net salaries	£3,307.75
	Nemesis Pyrotechnics	Fireworks outstanding amount	£3,160.00
	Petty Cash	Office supplies & postage	£8.60
	AK Products	Box of paper and Xmas posters	£25.20
DD	TalkTalk Business	Telephone/Broadband Jul	£32.34
DD	Trusted IT	Backup/365 Lic/Website	£96.72
	D Lomax	Reimburse for Crosses materials	£8.99
	AK Products	Orders of service and posters	£193.80
	Andrew Fox	Money withdrawn for petty cash	£51.81
	PEAC UK	Photocopier lease	£245.74
	Carol Cade	NP expenses book vouchers	£120.00
	High Peak Architects	Half payment for feasibility study	£1,800.00
	Manchester Video Ltd	Video streaming for Thanksgiving service	£800.00
	The Royal British Legion	Remembrance Day Wreaths	£75.00
	James McCarthy	Reimburse hi vis for service	£22.50
	WB Community Trust	Room hire W4W meeting	£15.30
	WB Community Trust	Room hire NP meetings	£30.00
	Allison Lugg	Reimburse card used for Thanksgiving service invites	£17.06
	Mechanics Institute	Room hire	£598.17
	Mechanics Institute	New Mills U3A wrongly received	£48.00
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Total	£10,656.98
Mechanics Institute			
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Wages offcharge - Sweetmore/Lugg	£1,115.80
	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Reimbursement of Petty cash	£16.98
	Paintmaster	Paint, dust sheets and brushes	£21.12
	Rapid Heating	Isolate and reconnect boiler	£132.00
	Rapid Heating	Landlords Gas safety certificate	£120.00
	Rapid Heating	Installation of new cooker	£112.25
	D Lomax	Reimburse cooker purchase	£194.98

DD	Gazprom	Gas	£96.76
DD	High Peak BC	Non-domestic rates	£55.00
DD	Opus Energy	Electricity	£93.94
DD	United Utilities	Water	£53.24
300043	McColl's	Newspapers	£67.75
	Mechanics Institute	Total	£2,079.82
Sports Association			
DD	SAGE	Sage One Accounts	£21.60
627	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Wages offcharge - Sweetmore/Lugg	£489.28
628	Whaley Bridge Town Council	Reimbursement of Petty cash	£7.25
629	Total Gas & Power	Electricity Sep	£138.08
630	Total Gas & Power	Electricity Oct	£197.25
631	Stockport Fencing	Fence work at Pavilion	£2,050.10
632	Mechanics Institute	Room hire SA meeting	£26.00
DD	HPBC	Non-domestic rates	£160.00
DD	Water Plus	Water	£12.19
	Sports Association	Total	£3,101.75
	Total Expenditure	Total	£15,838.55

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

Whaley Bridge Town Council	£
CCLA Deposit Fund	88,000.00
Unity Trust - Current Account	53,014.89
Unity Trust - Deposit Account	30,995.49
Petty Cash	56.04
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	172,033.59
Mechanics Institute	£
Unity Trust - Current Account	13,446.83
Unity Trust - Deposit Account	28,166.72
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	41,613.55
Sports Association	£
Current Account	4,870.40
Deposit Account	67,097.76
Petty Cash	0.00
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	71,968.16

C19/111 Grants and Donations

The meeting received and considered applications for funding.

RESOLVED: To provide the following funding; £400.00 to 1st Taxal Scouts, £500.00 to Fernilee Transformation Team, £400.00 to Friends of Whaley Bridge Station, £430.00 to Footsteps and £270.00 to Toddbrook Sailing Club for a total of £2000.

C19/112 Central Towns Regeneration Prioritisation of Regeneration Projects

Received a report from Cllr Hall and Cllr Thomas.

The Council considered the priority of projects and agreed the prioritisation with minor amendments. The project are included on a report which is attached to the minutes.

RESOLVED: The Clerk would report a broken Culvert near Cromford Court.

C19/113 Toddbrook Dam Emergency: report from meeting with Prof Bamforth

Received a report from Cllr Thomas.

C19/114 LSX Air Monitoring equipment Rental Agreement

Received a report from Cllr Thomas.

RESOLVED: To give an indemnity for the equipment and for the Clerk contact Zurich to attempt to arrange insurance for the equipment while it is being rented.

C19/115 Grit Bins

RESOLVED: The Council would take part in the DCC Snow Warden Scheme for 2019/20.

RESOLVED: To contract Fran Frodsham to provide the initial filling of the Council's grit bins and to increase the Grit bin budget to £1000.00.

RESOLVED: The Clerk is given authority to source/purchase more grit if required.

C19/116 Chinook Lantern

Cllr Lomax reported that this item had been purchased already from another source of funding.

C19/117 Christmas Office Opening Times

Received a report from the Clerk.

RESOLVED: To close the office on the 23rd of December for it to reopen on the 2nd of January.

C19/118 Whaley Bridge Neighbourhood Plan – Progress, Expenditure

Received a report from Cllr Pritchard and Cllr Thomas which was circulated to all Cllrs.

C19/119 Reports from Committees and representatives on outside bodies

a) Regeneration Committee

It was noted there had not been another meeting since the last Town Council meeting.

b) Personnel Committee

The scheduled meeting did not take place due to the Clerk's absence so this meeting needs to be rearranged.

c) Whaley Bridge Canal Group

There had not been another meeting since the last Town Council meeting with a further meeting coming up on Tuesday.

d) High Peak & Hope Valley Community Rail Partnership

Cllr Pritchard commented the next public meeting was at Glossop Adult Education Centre 10.00am Wednesday 20th November.

e) Whaley Bridge Allotments Working Group

Cllr Ridgway reported that there was a large amount of rubbish left around the allotment site which he eventually had to take to the tip

RESOLVED: the Clerk would write to allotment holders and residents of Goyt Road asking them not to leave rubbish at the allotment site.

f) Whaley Bridge Sports Association

Cllr Swift temporarily left the meeting due to a conflict of interest.

RESOLVED: To pay the invoice of £250.00 to Ruben Swift on the basis Cllr Swift receives training and does not provide invoices for work which has not been quoted for again.

C19/120 Correspondence

- RESOLVED:** To note correspondence received from 11 October:
1. Mr & Mrs Brooks – e-mail regarding Elmbrook bonsai planning issues.
RESOLVED: to respond to Mr and Mrs Brooks stating that the Council deplores any harassment but unfortunately cannot get involved with issues of planning enforcement as this is responsibility of HPBC
 2. Rural Services Network – looking for council involvement with a collective National Rural Market Town voice.
 3. DCC – advising that the Digital Derbyshire programme has recently upgraded the Broadband service to some properties in the Whaley Bridge area.
 4. James Butler – wishing to make a donation to the Mechanics Institute in the name of his grandfather Arthur Butler.
RESOLVED: To write to Mr Butler thanking him for his kind offer and asking how much he is willing to donate.
 5. Peak Park Parishes Forum – consultation on draft of ‘PPPF Thriving Sustainable’ as contribution towards understanding of what is meant by “Thriving and Sustainable Communities” as one of the “Outcomes” outlined in the Peak District NP Management Plan 2018-23.
 6. Keswick Flood Action Group – sharing concerns over the Reservoir Safety Inspection Process.
 7. DCC Highways Hub – notification of receipt of Verge Cultivation Licence Application at Shire Croft, Reservoir Road. Further details requested.
 8. WB Cricket Club – confirmation of the Executive Committee discussion of the Bonfire & Firework Event. They were happy with how it ran and would be willing to host the event in future if they continue to receive support of the Town Council.
They requested this be included in the TC newsletter with encouragement for residents to provide feedback regarding possible improvements for the future. They would be happy to receive e-mail responses.
RESOLVED: To write to the Cricket Club to thank them for hosting the event and to inform them that an article will be placed in the next newsletter thanking people for attending and asking for any suggestions to improve the event next year.
RESOLVED: The Council would support the Cricket Club organising the 2020 fireworks event and would ask them if they are in a position to pay the deposit for that event in the New Year.

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

Committee Decisions – None

Application	Decision
<p>DOC/2018/0110 Discharge of Conditions 5,6,7,9,12,13,14,15,16,18,21,29,32,33 in relation to HPK/2017/0247. Land Off, Linglongs Road, Whaley Bridge. Mrs Aleksandra Drinkwater BDW Trading Ltd DOC</p>	<p>Approved</p>

Delegated Decisions

Application	Decision
<p>HPK/2019/0292 Replace the external window and door frame and Install 2 No. slate vent tiles to adequately ventilate the existing toilets. Outram House, Canal Street, Whaley Bridge. Mr Richard Newman – Goyt Construction Ltd FULL</p>	<p>Approved</p>
<p>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</p>	<p>Approved</p>
<p>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</p>	<p>Approved</p>
<p>HPK/2019/0392 Single Storey Rear Kitchen Extension 6, The Coppice, Whaley Bridge. Mr N M Tomlinson HOUSEHOLDER/FULL</p>	<p>Approved</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>Approved</p>

Peak Park Planning Decisions – None

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

Application	Comments
HPK/2019/0423 Replacement of 2 ground floor windows at front of property with wood framed double glazing. Original windows were for a shop and do not open. Proposed windows look like the original windows but are double glazed and have sash opening in the middle section 139, Buxton Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr Stephen Chudy HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL	No Comment
FHPK/2019/0475 Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension 148, Buxton Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr & Mrs Johnson HOUSEHOLDERS/FULL	No Comment
HPK/2019/0381 Construction of new dwelling with integral garage, amendment to current planning permission for a new dwelling reference HPK/2017/0177. Land Adjacent 87, Chapel Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr Alan Sidebotham FULL	No Comment
HPK/2019/0478 Development of the existing sports pavilion to include side and front extension and installation of external canopy. Further external groundworks to provide additional seating/sociable area. Internal work to develop an improved meeting/function room and catering/refreshment facilities. Whaley Bridge Sports Pavilion, Park Road, Whaley Bridge. Mr Andrew Fox – Town Clerk – Whaley Bridge Town Council FULL	The Council echoes the comments of Taxal and Fernilee School

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