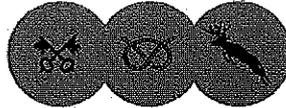


Hednesford Town Council



Gateway to the Chase

15 May 2019

The Annual Meeting of the Town Council will be held at 7:30 pm on Tuesday 22 May 2019 at Pye Green Community Centre, Bradbury Lane, Hednesford. You are invited to attend for consideration of the matters shown on the agenda for the postponed meeting due to be held on 14 May 2019 and the supplementary items listed below. Please bring to the meeting papers you already have in respect of the postponed meeting

If conducive to the conduct of business the Chairman may alter the order in which items are considered

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Harrison', written over a horizontal line.

Peter Harrison
Town Council Manager/Clerk

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

1. Heart of Hednesford
To receive notes of a meeting held on 17 April 2019 (enclosed)
2. CCTV Monitoring
To receive the monitoring report for April 2019 (enclosed)
3. Proposed Fencing of Cannock Chase
To consider arrangements for a meeting in connection with this matter

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4. Local Plan Consultation

The Planning Authority is carrying out consultation on the new Local Plan for Cannock Chase District and will be exhibiting the proposals for the public to see at various locations including Tesco Hednesford on 19 June from 10:00 to noon. In addition, the Town Council has been asked to consider if it wishes to hold a meeting with the Local Plans Team

5. Town Centre Christmas Lights

To consider the arrangements for the provision of Christmas lights this year

Minutes of meeting held on
Wednesday 17th April 2019 at
Hednesford Ex-Servicemen's Club



Present:

David Wisehall (Chair)
Sandra Wright
Susan Schofield
Keith Fitch
Paul Woodhead
Alison Poyner
Alan Thornton
Carole Howard

Robin Kingston
Liz Williams
Margaret Fitch
Olly Kingston
Susan Humphries
Naomi Ragusa
Chris Richards

Graham Wright
Deb Burnett
Dot Farish
Maxine Akins
Susan Fisher-Meddings
Wendy Yates
Pam Richards

Apologies.

Phil Hewitt
Shaun Middleton
Mary Wynne

Sharon Jagger
June Sheasby
Phil Bradley

Bryan Jones
Ruth Heslop
Bryan Jones

Sharon Jagger asked by email for the meeting to acknowledge Susan Schofield and Deb Burnett for their innovative idea and scrupulous attention to detail planning and organising The Orchard of Memories Project.

Shaun Middleton (Hednesford Lions) also by email asked for his thanks to be passed to Ruth Heslop who has been extremely helpful with information about plants for the new flower beds at the War Memorial.

Approval of minutes from meeting held Wednesday 20th March 2019.

Minutes approved with the spelling of Shaun Middleton's name corrected and June Sheasby's name added to list of apologies.

Matters arising.

Covered later in the meeting.

Funding.

AT gave an update on the information he had obtained about sources for funding and explained the difficulties he had experienced getting this information. He also explained that in all cases any application must be SMART before we apply:

SMART = Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant & Timebound.

This test should make it easier to match any funding criteria.

Best Kept Village.

Church Hill bench. DW Thanked Susan, Pam Chris & Mick for the excellent work they had done clearing the area around the bench. Painting and planting was agreed for Easter Monday. SS has purchased some plants and a couple of planters.

Donation to Lions. As agreed at the March meeting, HoH have donated £100 to the Lions for some shrubs to help finish the project adjacent to the war memorial entrance. WY mentioned the planting will feature the combined emblem of the armed forces and the road sign presently situated in the middle of the display will be re-sited in due course by Staffs CC.

Landscape project. DW will place an order for delivery after Easter. Will need someone to cut 20 posts in half and drill 40x1¼" holes in the shortened posts plus need to organise labour to carry out the work. It will be quite heavy and labour intensive. PH has advised that Kingsmead have voluntary days for, possibly, 6th formers so that might be an option. KF mentioned Lynne Evans from Hednesford Park may also have a contact for another group that may be able to help.

PW suggested the Men's Shed group based at the museum.

A discussion followed about the possibility of services under the grass and the suggestion the area would need to be CAT scanned.

Banners & planters. Banners are ready to be purchased so HoH will provide funding for them as agreed at last meeting. DW hasn't had the time to make the planters so suggested purchasing some off the shelf. Cost not expected to be more than £100 + delivery.

PW suggested the Men's Shed could make some and DB advised one of her neighbours had pallets which could be suitable as a supply for the wood.

Heritage Trail signs. DW advised he had a day off on April 24th so would attempt to strip and sand all 3 signs ready for oiling. The Danish oil has already been purchased.

Litter picks. Next litter pick is Sunday April 28th and roughly 2 weeks thereafter. May 12th, 26th, June 2nd, 16th, and 30th.

PW advised 6 new flags had been purchased for use in Market Street and will be used to replace some of the ones damaged last year due to the weather.

Miners' memorial.

Spring Memory Tree Project.

SS Approximately 160 baubles sold although not all returned for attaching to the trees. The library have been very supported of the project and welcomed HoH members working on the project including supplying tea and coffee. The trees, baubles and other display items will be removed on 30th April with the baubles going into the library allowing those who wish to collect their baubles. DW thought the whole area around the clock looked fantastic.

Lectern. Hopefully this will be ready for June when the D Day Landings are commemorated.

Enamel badges. Mike Mellor has offered funding for the badges but DW will suggest that HoH will cover half of the cost.

Albert Stanley. After the blue plaque ceremony last Saturday, DW thought it would be a good idea to put together a display as part of the Miners' Memorial project about Albert Stanley. The tremendous contribution and service he gave to the town and mining community and wider is worthy of special attention and he thought that with the amount of information available about his life, it might be worth discussing the prospect of a book on his life with Tony Hunt. The meeting agreed with this suggestion.

DW has a lockable glass display cabinet which he would be happy to loan that would probably be ideal for the library.

HiP.

HiP RK advised HiP recently held an EGM to discuss the proposal of changing to Charitable Status as this would help with applications for funding for the larger projects HiP are involved with. This will be followed up.

Hednesford Market. The first market of the year was held on 27th March and had a bouncy castle for the first time. Expected to attend again plus other new stalls being looked at also possibly some buskers to help with atmosphere. Markets will be held on the last Saturday of each month.

Town lottery will be drawn on Market days. A defibrillator has been installed at the Trocadero on Sharon Way funded jointly by the lottery and local traders.

PW has asked for suggestions as to what funds from the lottery should be used for in coming months. One suggestion being investigated is to operate a vintage bus service from Hednesford onto the Chase in a circuit including Marquis Drive and the German Cemetery possibly running 2 or 3 times per day during the Summer.

Summer Festival.

It was agreed HoH would do similar to last year, Chicken in a basket also known as Chuck a Chicken. Plus the card game using large cards with a small children's type prize every time e.g. crayons, sweets, toys etc.

Christmas.

DW advised about the need to start collecting tombola stuff for the Christmas event which is on Friday December 6th this year. There is also a plan to fit flag brackets where required and have real trees in them lit by solar power.

Community Banking update. Janet from Fusion Credit has suggested a date of 22nd May for training in how a collection point is operated.

Defibrillator Training. As part of efforts to increase the coverage of available Automated External Defibrillators training has been offered for everyone on how to respond in an emergency situation to someone with a heart attack including giving CPR and using the AED. This free training will take place in Hednesford Library Monday 13th May from 6pm

Station adoption.

Station update. First electric trains have been doing test run on Sundays to make sure all clearances, etc. are ok. Electric services are due to commence on Sunday 19th May with services through to Birmingham International (for the airport and exhibition centre) and London (Euston) from Monday 20th May.

Spring & Summer Planting. DW sorting Summer plants with Pam & Chris. HoH has a £50 voucher from a photo competition. In addition 72 lavender plugs have been ordered from Thomson & Morgan. Planting is expected to take place late May or early June.

Container painting. Paint stripper is in container ready for new coat of WMT orange paint. The future's bright, the future's orange! WMT trains supplying the paint.

'Welcome to Hednesford' sign. Due to its size both Paul and Mary have offered the use of their garages as workspace to allow Mark to make the impressive sign he has designed.

ACoRP Community Stations Workshop. DW has booked to go to Manchester to attend on Tuesday, 21st May 2019

ACoRP Station funding. DW is considering applying for funding to get the water bowser and to replace all the hayracks with heavy duty ones and to have more per platform to take account of the lengthening, etc. Also for some large planters to go on platform 1. Will obviously have to get permission from WMT and need to know what is happening with the fences. KF agreed to contact WMT for an update about the fencing.

Community Rail Partnership. Possibility of a Chase Line Community Rail Partnership. Fay Easton (WMT) & DW are keen to see this develop, but are running into dead-ends with local authority funders and partners. WMT will have funding towards an officer for the line, but need other partners.

Any other business.

The HoH promotional flyers have been redesigned and will be reprinted.

GW gave a brief overview of an exhibition he has organised at Hednesford Library for Wednesday 22nd May named 'War Wounds and Nursing'. This interesting exhibition will cover the period from the Boer War to the present day.

Next Meeting:

6.30pm Wednesday 15th May 2019

Venue:

Hednesford Ex-Servicemen's Club, The Soldiers, Anglesey Street, Hednesford

Note: The May Meeting will also be the HoH AGM when all committee posts will be available for re-election.

Present Committee:

Chair: David Wisehall

Vice Chair: Position currently vacant

Secretary: Keith Fitch

Treasurer: Phil Bradley

Should you wish to be considered for any of these posts please let KF know before the meeting or on the night.

Litter Picks:

Sundays: 28th April, 12th May, 26th May, 2nd June, 16th June 30th June.

Meet by the station entrance in the Co-op Car Park at 10am.

Keith Fitch

12th May 2019



Dear Hednesford Town Council,

Please see attached statistical information collated from CCTV within the month of April 2019.

CCTV Monitoring for Hednesford Town Council
Criminal and non criminal activity

ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR	6
ASSAULTS	2
AUTOCRIME	2
BURGLARY	0
DAMAGE	1
DISTURBANCE	1
DOMESTIC	1
DRUGS	0
DRUNKNESS	1
GRAFFITI	0
MISSING PERSON	0
SUSPICIOUS	5
THEFT	3
TRAFFIC	0
WELFARE CHECK	1
TOTAL	23
AREAS MONITORED (NON-CRIMINAL)	165
POLICE ADVISED US	24
WE ADVISED POLICE	18
RESOURCE DEPLOYED	17
MONITORING WHICH WAS NON REPORTABLE	87%
MONITORING WHICH WAS OF OBSERVING REPORTABLE ACTIVITIES TO THE PARISH/POLICE	13%

ASB was seen at Tesco's and at the railway station. Most of the suspicious events were nothing more than merely appearing suspicious such as a bag left for a while by accident. Auto crime involved an evening venue reporting a possible drink driver and a male attempting to break into a car.

Please do not hesitate to contact us regarding any issues or concerns that we can assist in monitoring around Hednesford town centre.

Kind regards

Linda Newton
CCTV Operator