Heanor and Loscoe Town Council Minutes of the Town Council Executive Committee meeting held in the Council Chamber Friday 29 September 2023

Present: Councillors P Jones (Chair), C Cox, E Hamilton, A Jones and

C Emmas-Williams.

Also present: A Sharpe – Locum Clerk

001 Apologies

None received.

002 Declaration of Interest

Agenda Item 10 – Henry Garnett Firework Festival Councillors A & P Jones - personal

003 Dispensations

No request for dispensation was received.

004 Public Speaking

No public present.

005 Exclusion of Public

Agenda items 13 - 16 to be taken in Exclusion.

006 Minutes

The minutes of the previous Executive Committee meeting. Having been circulated to members, were approved as a true record.

007 Implementation of Action Plan

The Executive Committee considered the responsibility of the Action Plan and split the targets between the Executive and the Events Committee.

Resolved: The Action be approved.

008 Amendment to Standing Orders

Resolved: That the Town Council be recommended to approve Standing Orders without amendment but the Town Council, are also recommended to approve the following policies.

- Vexatious Complaints
- Social Media Policy
- Filming of Meetings Policy
- Petitions Policy

009 Enhanced Working with Amber valley Borough Council

Resolved: That the Executive note the successful meetings with Amber Valley Borough Council in relation to future enhanced working.

010 The Henry Garnett Firework Festival

Resolved: The Town Council be recommended to give a grant of £1,500 to the Firework Festival.

011 The Christmas Lights Switch On

Resolved: That the on-going discussions regarding the availability of the Market Place be noted.

012 Police Joint Funding

It was noted that the police had indicated that they did not require any joint funding from the Town Council.

The Executive Committee asked the Clerk to communicate the Councils concerns about the general nuisance activity happening in Heanor at the present time and to ask that a plan be put together to support the Town Council and the Town Centre itself.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

013 Staffing

Resolved:

- 1. That the Town Council be recommended to approve the appointment of Andrew Sharpe as Assistant to the Clerk on a 6-month temporary contract from 01 October 2023 on the terms now agreed.
- 2. That the Town Council be recommended to consider an ex-gratia payment to a staff member.

014 Security at the Town Hall

In order to ensure the safety and wellbeing of staff and members at the Town Hall during meetings, to which the public can attend, it was resolved that the Town Clerk consider the appropriate safe number of attendees in the various rooms used by the Council and implement new procedures. This should include the signing in of all attendees for fire safety purposes and possible restrictions to the numbers allowed in the Council Chamber and Committee Rooms.

015 Charles Hill

The Executive noted that there had been a meeting with Amber Valley Borough Council and that negotiations are in place for this project.

016 3G Pitch Heanor

The Executive were updated on the progress of this project.