

**Minutes of the
Meeting of Heanor and Loscoe Town Council
held in the Town Hall, Heanor on 13 January 2022**

PRESENT: Councillors E Hamilton (Mayor), M Burrell, C Cox,
C Emmas-Williams, S Grainger, B Gration, K Hill,
S Hind, T Holmes, P Jones, S Kruczkowski, J Stones
and J Ward.

Also present: L West (Town Clerk), Kirk Monk – Assistant Director (Wellbeing), AVBC,
Matt Parr – GOGA Development Officer, ABVC, PCSO 9156 Mosler, PCSO 12811 T Shale
and two members of the public.

Mr Monk and Mr Parr briefed members about the Beat the Streets physical activity programme coming to Heanor, this will run for a period of four weeks from mid-March 2022. The Heanor programme will be based on the Sheffield model. The following links provide information on how the games work and the impact on physical activity.

<https://www.beatthestreet.me/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gqzAX3HC8ts>

AGENDA

PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

107 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S Bower (work), S Danvers (work), J Gilbert (prior engagement), S Hart (work) and D Wright (work).

Resolved: These apologies for absence were noted.

108 Declaration of Members Interests/Update of Register

The following declarations of interests were received:

Agenda Item 8 (a) – Councillor Vacancy – Loscoe Ward

Councillor B Gration – prejudicial – husband of candidate - leave the meeting if discussed

Agenda Item 12 Planning/Environment/Licensing

Councillor E Hamilton – personal – member of AVBC Planning Board – leave the meeting

Councillor S Grainger – personal – member of AVBC Planning Board – leave the meeting

109 Dispensations

No request for dispensation received.

110 Public Speaking

Public Matters

A member raised concerns over a section of uneven road approaching Tesco Island. This is the responsibility of Highways department at Derbyshire County Council.

Police Matters

A member reported witnessing drug dealing on Heanor Market Place. The public are encouraged to report all such incidents and concerns to the Police.

110 Public Speaking (cont.)

County Council

No report.

Borough Council

No report.

Outside Bodies

No report.

Leaders Report by Councillor Paul Jones

Capital Spending

As members will recall from the last council meeting, and reported on page 45 of the minutes, the Town Council has an ambitious list of spending. However, some of the areas we have identified do require input from Amber Valley Borough Council, I am waiting for confirmation of a meeting with the soon to be appointed new Executive Director (Operations) Simon Gladwin and Joanne Bamford to discuss how we can deliver on our ambitions.

Government Changes to Planning Legislation

I continue to pursue a response from our MP to our correspondence of 2 October 2020 about the proposed changes in planning legislation and our subsequent reminders. I have been in correspondence with his secretary Sarah Bond, who has promised to follow it up, but that was in November 2021. I am still waiting. I am particularly disappointed as Nigel was a previous member of this Council and I would have hoped he had some affinity with us. However, his inability even to acknowledge our correspondence after 16 months is bitterly disappointing

Charles Hill

I have received a copy of the letter from Charles Hill Centre CIO requesting that Amber Valley Borough Council underwrites the shortfall in building costs for the development of the proposed pavilion. I think we can all agree that we hope AVBC will look at their request favourably.

Future High Street Fund

I have been invited, as the Town Council's representative on the Project Board, to a meeting on 1st February when, hopefully, we will be made aware of what is happening given that there is only 2 years to deliver the project. However, I am disappointed that the Borough Council are refusing to share information with the Town Council, even on a confidential basis, due to commercial sensitivities. This is despite the Town Council proposing to invest £300,000 in the scheme. It is not what I call partnership working and I intend to raise the matter at the Project Board meeting.

Recognition of the Work of PC David Norcross

Members should be aware that PC David Norcross is leaving this month and I think the Town Council should make a presentation to David in recognition of his work for our community over the last 3 years.

111 Minutes

The Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on Thursday 2 December 2021 having been circulated to members, were approved as a correct record, and duly signed by the mayor.

112 Items to be taken in Exclusion

Resolved: No agenda items to taken in Exclusion.

113 Town Mayors Announcements

The Town Mayor had received an invitation to the 'Carols in the Park' event held in Heanor Memorial Park but was unable to attend due to illness.

114 Town Council – Items for Decision/Action

(a) Town Centre Action Plan

Councillor Kruczkowski distributed his suggestions for a Town Centre Action Plan.

(b) Councillor Vacancy – Loscoe Ward

Councillor P Jones nominated Carol Gratton be co-opted as a member of Heanor and Loscoe Town Council for Loscoe Ward.

Councillor K Hill seconded this nomination.

Councillor B Gratton abstained from voting.

A unanimous vote was recorded in favour of the nomination.

Resolved: Carol Gratton is co-opted as a member of Heanor and Loscoe Town Council for Loscoe Ward.

115 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Newsletter December (2) 202, Newsletter December (3) 2021.

Resolved: The above document is received.

116 Finance

(a) Bacs Payments (November - wages December)

Payee	Description	Nett	Vat	Gross
Staff	Salary/Wages/Mayoral allow	4696.22	00.00	4696.22
Opus Energy	Gas supply – TH + WS	590.63	118.13	708.76
Opus Energy	Gas supply – FS	85.54	4.28	89.82
AVBC	Rates	1237.00	00.00	1237.00
Tudor Landscapes	Roof repair – WS	152.00	00.00	152.00
Pictorial	Xmas posters	65.00	00.00	65.00
Dynamite	Fireworks display	2625.00	00.00	2625.00
Royal British Legion	Remembrance wreaths	72.00	00.00	72.00
SWALEC	Electricity supply - FS	194.70	9.73	204.43
SWALEC	Electricity supply - WS	202.27	10.11	212.38
Waterplus	Water supply	235.30	00.00	235.30
Lite Ltd	50% installation costs	4985.00	997.00	5982.00
Lite Ltd	50% installation costs	3116.50	623.30	3739.80
Lite Ltd	50% installation costs	5262.50	1052.50	6315.00
Lite Ltd	50% installation costs	1511.50	302.30	1813.80
Tudor Landscapes	Building maintenance	234.85	00.00	234.85
Morleys	Remembrance booklets	56.00	00.00	56.00

116 Finance (cont.)

(a) Bacs Payments (November - wages December)

James Hall Plumbing	Boiler safety inspection	550.93	00.00	550.93
Viking	Stationery	76.15	15.23	91.38
Lite Ltd	Tree brackets	285.00	57.00	342.00
Petty Cash	Various xmas event	173.91	00.00	173.91
Viking	Catering supplies xmas	88.25	7.99	96.24
Petty Cash	Reimbursement	65.50	4.33	69.83
HMRC	PAYE, NI	861.65	00.00	861.65
Heanor Town FC	Gregg Cup sponsorship	250.00	00.00	250.00
Derbyshire CC	Superannuation	818.80	00.00	818.80
James Lawrence	Xmas photographs	250.00	00.00	250.00
DRAX	Electricity supply - TH	406.39	81.27	487.66
Waterplus	Water supply	426.95	00.00	426.95
XLN	3 x line rental + calls/broadband	216.21	43.24	259.45
Total		29791.75	3326.41	33118.16

Resolved: Payment of the above accounts at a cost of £31,118.16.

(b) Income for November 2021

Town Hall lettings	2208.75
Fire Station	1000.00
Town Hall Rents	333.33
Environment/events	72.00
Wilmot Street	1434.00
Total	5048.08

Resolved: This information is received.

(c) Bank Reconciliation – November 2021

Resolved: This information is received.

117 Items for Information

(a) Clerk's Report

Alfreton Town Council – Remembrance Sunday response from Derbyshire Police
Councillor Vacancy Heanor East Ward – two applicants to be invited to meet with members prior to February's Town Council meeting

Amber Valley Borough Council Local Plan summary document available to view via the following web-link:

<https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/local-plan/alternative-spatial-strategy-options-for-housing-and-economic-growth/>

Councillor E Hamilton and Councillor S Grainger left the meeting at this point. Councillor K Hill took the chair.

118 Planning/Environment/Licensing

AVA/2021/1239 – Derby Arms, 37 High Street, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7EX

Erection of two dwellings.

Town Council comment: The Town Council appreciates that there is previous approval for two dwellings on this site, however, it has concerns in relation to the reduction in the amenity space for each property in this application.

AVA/2021/1279 – Eclipse Inn, 40 High Street, Loscoe, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7LE

Siting of hot food catering unit (use class sui generis) on existing car park.

Town Council comment: The Town Council objects to this application as this is an inappropriate site for a hot food catering unit. The site is designated as a car park for the public house and people queuing at the unit are in danger from the movement of vehicles. It is also very close to residential property and appears to not have adequate waste disposal facilities or extraction units to mitigate the odours.

AVA/2021/1296 – 126 Loscoe Denby Lane, Denby Village, Ripley, Derbyshire, DE5 8PP

Application for Lawful Development Certificate for a proposed single storey extension.

AVA/2021/1335 – 37 Heanor Road, Loscoe, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7JT

New porch and lean to roof over bay window to front elevation.

Councillor E Hamilton returned to the meeting and the chair.

119. Date of Next Town Council Meeting – Thursday 3 February 2022