

**Minutes of the
Meeting of Heanor and Loscoe Town Council
held in the Town Hall, Heanor on 1 February 2024**

PRESENT: Councillors P Jones (Mayor), S Bower, L Brunelleschi, C M Cox, J Gent, E Hamilton, M Howard, T Holmes, A Jones, C Neale and J Stones.

Also present: A Sharpe (Assistant to the Town Clerk), 2 Police and 9 members of the public.

PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

097 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N Beswick (work), L Cox (prior commitment), J Edge (illness), C Emmas-Williams (prior commitment), Z Parr (prior commitment), A Stevenson (work) and J Ward (illness).

Resolved: These apologies for absence were noted.

098 Declaration of Members Interests/Update of Register

Councillor E Hamilton – personal – member of Amber Valley Borough Council Planning Board.

Councillor T Holmes – personal – member of Amber Valley Borough Council Planning Board.

Councillor S Bower – personal – member of Amber Valley Borough Council Planning Board.

099 Requests for Dispensation

Resolved:

(1) That it be noted the Clerk had previously granted a dispensation to Councillor T Holmes that enables him to remain in the meeting on any item that he has an interest but not speak or vote due to mobility. This dispensation lasts until 6 February 2024.

(2) Councillor Z Parr was granted a dispensation for non-attendance at meetings to last until 7 June 2024.

100 Public Speaking

Public Matters

None.

Police Matters

The Police attended to update of recent crime initiatives.

Outside Bodies

No report.

Leaders Report submitted by Councillor E Hamilton

Charles Hill

I am very pleased to report that the end is in sight. The cleaners have entered the building which is the final stage before the building can be officially handed over.

Boundary Changes

The Electoral Commission have accepted the Town Council's proposals to have two, one member wards for Derbyshire County Council elections. These are based on the Borough seats. One for Heanor West and East, the other for Codnor, Langley Mill and Aldercar.

101 Minutes – 11 January 2024

The revised Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 11 January 2024, were approved as a correct record, and duly signed by the mayor.

102 Minutes of Executive Committee – 15 January 2024

The revised Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on Monday 15 January 2024, were received.

103 Exclusion of Public

Resolved: That the public and press be excluded from the meeting for agenda items 15, 16 and 17.

104 Mayors Announcement

No report to this meeting.

105 Town Council Items for Decision/Agreed Action

(a) Policies (Executive Committee 040 – 2023/24)

Council considered recommendations of the Executive Committee Minute on approved policies.

Resolved:

(1) That the Admission of the Public and Press to meetings and Community Engagement Policy be discontinued.

(2) That the Bullying and Harassment Policy be amended and resubmitted to a future meeting.

(b) Glue Lane Allotment Site - Flooding

Resolved: That consideration be deferred to the next meeting so that the Clerk can investigate further.

(c) Mundy C of E School

Council considered the Sponsorship of the Claude Hancock Trophy Prizes.

Resolved: To sponsor the prizes at a cost of £175.00.

(d) Town Council Website (Identity re-branding)

The council considered the update and re-branding of the website as part of the Action Plan proposals.

Resolved: To approve the proposals.

(e) Let's Celebrate Towns 2024

Resolved: To note and request details of the 2025 competition entry dates.

(f) Local Plan

The council were informed of the latest AVBC Local Plan documents.

Resolved: That the Town Clerk write to the Inspector and Amber Valley Borough Council to request that Heanor be added specifically to those Towns named in SS6 (Primary Shopping).

106 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

January Newsletter

Resolved: The above document is received.

107 Finance

(a) Bacs payments – December 2023

Payee	Description	Nett	Vat	Gross
Shirland Welfare Band	Performance	250.00	00.00	250.00
Petty Cash	Re-imburement	91.43	00.00	91.43
ADR Lifts	Call out	45.00	9.00	54.00
Heanor Vision CIC	Donation – Spend to Win	500.00	00.00	500.00
SJAB	First Aid Cover	264.00	52.80	316.80
Carlin Security	Town Council meeting	150.00	00.00	150.00
Ricoh UK Ltd	Photocopier rental/copies	216.79	43.36	260.15
Drax energy	Electricity supply – TH	561.61	112.32	673.93
Infinite Wellbeing CIC	Funding	2000.00	00.00	2000.00
Lions Den Boxing	Funding	1500.00	00.00	1500.00
Tudor Landscapes	Fencing/planting - RRLNR	377.00	00.00	377.00
Shipleigh Hall CC	Funding	500.00	00.00	500.00
Pride Electrical	Socket/repairs	155.00	31.00	186.00
Opus Energy	Gas supply	1557.56	311.51	1869.07
Staff/Mayor	Wages/allowance	7754.48	00.00	7754.48
Derbyshire CC	Superannuation	1560.17	00.00	1560.17
HMRC	Paye, NI	2605.30	00.00	2605.30
Waterplus	TH water supply - upstairs	360.94	00.00	360.94
D&CS Ltd	Water temp monitoring	240.00	48.00	288.00
Waterplus	TH water supply - upstairs	180.47	00.00	180.47
Waterplus	TH water supply – downstairs	34.22	00.00	34.22
AVBC	Rates	1266.00	00.00	1266.00

Waterplus	Water supply – WS	100.54	00.00	100.54
Smartest Energy	Gas supply	211.54	10.58	222.12
XLN Telecom	Phone lines and broadband	219.42	43.88	263.30
Nat West	Bank charges	25.55	00.00	25.55
Opus energy	Gas supply – WS	70.60	3.53	74.13
Total		22797.62	665.98	23463.60

Resolved: Payment of the above accounts is approved at a total of £23463.60.

(b) Income for December 2023

Town Hall lettings	1653.00
Fire Station	2000.00
Wilmot Street	2401.00
Total	6054.00

Resolved: This information is received.

(c) Bank Reconciliations – December 2023

Resolved: The above document was received.

108 Grant Aid

SAWECG (Sing along with Ellie Community Group)

Resolved: That a grant to cover initial start-up costs of £500.00 be approved.

109 For Information

ShIPLEY Cricket Club had forwarded their thanks for the recent grant towards the refurbishment of their pavilion roof.

110 Planning/Environment/Licensing

AVA/2023/0652 – Derbyshire Beers Ltd, 5 Taylor Lane, Loscoe, Heanor, Derbyshire

The removal of 3 no. existing antennas and steelwork and the installation of a 7.5 metre high lattice stub tower with 6 no. upgraded antennas, the removal and replacement of 1 no. existing equipment cabinet with 1 no. upgraded equipment cabinet, installation of 9no. Remote Radio Units RRUs, 3no. combiners and ancillary development thereto, including the installation of 1 no. GPS node and the relocation of 1 no. existing 0.3 metre diameter transmission dish to be located on the new headframe and 1.1m freestanding handrail. **Decision expected 5 March 2024.**

AVA/2024/0003 – 29 Rosewood Crescent, Heanor, Derbyshire

Proposed extension to front elevation. **Decision expected 28 February 2024.**

AVA/2023/0769 – 3 Thistle Green Close, Heanor, Derbyshire

Replacement of conservatory with flat roof extension and installation of wood burning stove with flue. **Decision expected 5 March 2024.**

Councillors Bower and Hamilton left the meeting whilst these were discussed. Councillor Holmes remained as per his dispensation.

111 Date of next meeting

Resolved: Thursday 7 March 2024.

112 Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the likely disclosure of exempt information.

113 AVBC Enhanced Town Centre Maintenance Proposal

Resolved: That the proposal be agreed in principle.

114 Land Adjacent to Roper Avenue Allotment Site

Resolved: That the decision be delegated to the Executive Committee or made at the next Town Council Meeting (whichever meets first) and that in the meantime to Town Clerk provide more information on the implications.

115 Summer Planting Scheme

Quotations for the above scheme were considered.

Resolved: That the contract be now awarded on the terms agreed to the named contractor.