

**Minutes of the  
Meeting of Heanor and Loscoe Town Council  
held in the Town Hall, Heanor on 3 August 2023**

**PRESENT:** Councillors P Jones (Mayor), S Bower, C M Cox, L Cox, J Edge, C Emma-Williams, J Gent, E Hamilton, V Harvey, T Holmes, M Howard, A Jones, Z Parr, J Stones and J Ward.

**Also present:** A Sharpe (Locum Clerk), K Greaves (Deputy Clerk), 2 Police and 11 Members of the public.

**AGENDA**

**PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**027 Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors N Beswick (Work), M Burrell (Work), L Brunelleschi (Work), S Goodrum (Work), C Neale (Holiday), A Stevenson (Work) and J Ward (Family).

**Resolved:** These apologies for absence were noted.

**028 Declaration of Members Interests/Update of Register**

Agenda item 15 – Planning/Environment/Licensing

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

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 A and P Jones – personal – Planning application AVA/2023/0521

**029 Requests for Dispensation**

No request for dispensation received.

**030 Public Speaking**

Public Matters

A member of the public asked the following question –

What specific progress has been made on the creation of an effective town centre regeneration plan since the meeting on 18 May 2023.

This was answered to indicate that the matter has been addressed as part of the Heanor and Loscoe Action Plan 2023/27 which will be discussed later in the meeting.

### Police Matters

The Police gave a brief summary of their operations within the area and no matters were asked of the police at this meeting.

### County Council

No report.

### Borough Council

Councillor T Holmes reported that since the election of the new Council, Cabinet Meetings were now being held on Wednesday evenings to enable more convenient public attendance. The Heanor Grammer School project was also progressing well.

### Outside Bodies

No report.

### Leaders Report submitted by Councillor E Hamilton

Councillor Hamilton reported that she would like to record her congratulations to Councillor Chris Emmas-Williams on being elected as Leader of the Borough Council. Also, congratulations to Councillor Lyndsay Cox on becoming Mayoress of Amber Valley, and Councillor Mark Howard for his appointment as Chairman of Codnor Parish Council.

Councillor Hamilton reported progress on the Heanor Grammer School project and hoped Members of the Town Council could safely visit the site in a few months' time to observe the work.

Councillors have had a meeting with both the Leader and Deputy Leader of AVBC about the future High Street Fund and the project Manager has been invited to attend the next Town Council meeting.

Members had attended the July meeting of Heanor Vision and were pleased with the positivity of the Group.

A meeting had taken place of the North Broxtowe and Amber Valley Tram extension group and the Town Council will continue its involvement to see what environmental and economic benefits it may bring.

Amber Valley Borough Council intend to extend the current Public Space Protection Order – Alcohol Ban – for the Memorial Park, Hands Road Recreational Ground, Charles Hill and the Town Centre for a further 3 years from October 19<sup>th</sup> 2023.

Consultation will also take place on changes to the way the recycling sites are accessed. Further details will follow.

## **031 Minutes – 18 May 2023**

The Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 18 May 2023 (Annual Meeting), having been circulated to members, were approved as a correct record, and duly signed by the mayor, subject to minute number 007(a) being amended to remove all words after **The meeting was suspended for 10 minutes.**

**032 Minutes – 22 June 2023**

The Minutes of the Extraordinary Town Council meeting held on Thursday 22 June 2023, having been circulated to members, were approved as a correct record, and duly signed by the mayor.

**033 Minutes – 27 July 2023**

The Minutes of the Extraordinary Town Council meeting held on Thursday 27 July 2023, having been circulated to members, were approved as a correct record, and duly signed by the mayor.

**034 Items to be taken in Exclusion.**

**Resolved:** No items to be taken in Exclusion.

**035 Town Mayors Announcements**

The Town Mayor reported that given it been 3 months since our only formal Council meeting it is the first opportunity, I have had to clarify a report both in the Derby Evening Telegraph and the BBC about my comment on the proposed demolition of the former Grammar School site.

I attended the planning meeting and by law have to declare that I am a member of Heanor & Loscoe Town Council, although I was attending in a private capacity. The press were aware that I was Mayor of the Town Council and therefore the quotes were attributed to me as Mayor. I do not want members to think I implied that I was speaking on behalf of the Town Council as the Council had not discussed the matter. Councillors Hamilton, Bower and Holmes can confirm this.

I along with the Mayoress have attended the following events.

**Mundy Street School Glorious Garden Gathering** which was very well supported and a nice and sunny day raising funds for the school.

**Ashfield Care Home celebrating ‘Care Home Open week’** - The home was showcasing its facilities to potential clients and we enjoyed the songs of Heanor’s Singing Fireman Andy Quinn.

**Heanor Community Bowls Association** - This was the first time this event had been organised by the Bowls Association with 20 teams of three taking part raising £648 for charity and the club.

The standard of bowling was impressive and the winning team included a 13 year old.

**Ashfield Care Home Gala Day** Another fun time at Ashfield Care Home with lovely weather again. There were lots of things for visitors and residents to enjoy food and entertainment wise.

### 036 Town Council – Items for Decision/Action

(a) Town Council website upgrade

The current Town Council website is not compliant with Web Content Accessibility Guidelines and the Town Council will be looking to create a new WCAG compliant website shortly.

(b) Charles Hill CIC – Town Council representative

**Resolved:** Councillor A Jones be the Town Council's nominated representative on Charles Hill CIO.

(c) Downing LLP – Request to attend a Town Council meeting.

Downing Renewable Developments are currently in the process for progressing a Battery Energy Storage Scheme (BESS) within the Heanor and Loscoe Town Council and would like to attend a town Council meeting to speak with members about the scheme.

**Resolved:** To invite them to the next meeting.

(d) Crich Parish Council – Emerging Amber Valley Local Plan

The Clerk reported that Crich PC have serious concerns over the proposed housing policies that allow development on 'land adjacent to existing settlements. Crich Parish Council ask the support of the Town Council over these concerns, wherever possible.

**Resolved:** that the report be noted.

(e) Groundwork Greater Nottingham – Quarter 1 Report April – June 2022

**Resolved:** that the Quarter 1 report be noted.

(f) Boundary Commission review of Derbyshire County Council Boundaries

**Resolved:** that it be noted the Town Council's response to the County level review has been submitted.

(g) Heanor and Loscoe Town Council Action Plan 2023/27

Council considered the draft Town Council Action Plan for 2023/27.

**Resolved:** that the Heanor and Loscoe Town Council Action Plan 2023/27 be approved and adopted with immediate effect.

(h) Employee Grievance Procedure

**Resolved:** Having replaced the words Human Resource Committee with Executive Committee the Employee Grievance Procedure was adopted by the Town Council.

(i) Review of Standing Orders

**Resolved:** to defer consideration to a future meeting.

### 037 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

June Newsletter

**Resolved:** The above document is received.

**038 Finance****(a) Bacs Payments (April - wages May)**

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Nett</b>	<b>Vat</b>	<b>Gross</b>
Derbyshire CC	Superannuation	4803.27	00.00	4803.27
HMRC	Paye, NI	914.79	00.00	914.79
Staff/Mayor	Wages/allowance	973.22	00.00	973.22
Trophies Plus	Coronation pin badges	737.50	147.50	885.00
Groundwork GN	Red River LNR SLA	5000.00	1000.00	6000.00
DALC	Annual subscription	1651.06	00.00	1651.06
Viking	Cleaning/stationery supplies	124.35	24.87	149.22
Chubb F & S Ltd	Intruder alarm contract	838.58	167.72	1006.30
Microsoft	E-mail licences	1242.00	248.40	1490.40
Microsoft	Business licence	112.80	22.56	135.36
XLN Telecom	Phone lines and broadband	225.77	45.15	270.92
Tudor Landscape	Wilmot St & WW maintenance	178.50	00.00	178.50
AVBC	Trade refuse contract - WS	422.27	00.00	422.27
AVBC	Trade refuse contract - TH	401.83	00.00	401.83
Lite Ltd	25% Christmas lights scheme	9340.25	3426.30	12,766.55
Chubb F&S Ltd	Fire monitoring charges	185.22	37.04	222.26
Tudor Landscapes	Decorating WS	1875.00	00.00	1875.00
Leisurelites	Install bunting	1250.00	250.00	1500.00
Kaliber Construction	Sculpture groundworks	3210.00	00.00	3210.00
James Hall	Supply and fit fused spur	125.00	00.00	125.00
Tudor Landscape	Maintenance	170.00	00.00	170.00
Viking	Stationery/postage	159.93	4.99	164.92
Pictorial	Coronation marketing	370.00	74.00	444.00
Waterplus	TH water supply - upstairs	297.01	00.00	297.01
Cubit Ultrasonic	Lamp column testing	337.50	00.00	337.50
SWALEC	Electricity supply - FS	142.07	7.10	149.17
SWALEC	Electricity supply - WS	362.60	18.13	380.73
Waterplus	Water supply - WS	85.15	00.00	85.15
Tudor Landscapes	Repair key safe	52.49	00.00	52.49
Opus Energy	Gas supply – TH & WS	1785.19	281.27	2066.46
AVBC	Rates	1263.13	00.00	1263.13
Opus Energy	Gas supply – FS	133.34	6.67	140.01
Nat West	Bank charges	15.75	00.00	15.75
Drax Energy	Electricity supply – TH	521.95	104.39	626.34
<b>Total</b>		<b>39,307.52</b>	<b>5866.09</b>	<b>45,173.61</b>

**Resolved:** Payment of the above accounts is approved at a cost of £45,173.61

**038 Finance (continued)****(b) Bacs Payments (May - wages June)**

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Nett</b>	<b>Vat</b>	<b>Gross</b>
Derbyshire CC	Superannuation	1011.95	00.00	1011.95
HMRC	Paye, NI	945.19	00.00	945.19
Staff/Mayor	Wages/allowance	4693.59	00.00	4693.59
Excel Cleaning	Cleaning supplies	132.22	26.44	158.66
Pride Electrical	Lighting alterations	1186.80	237.36	1424.16
Wish Cloud	Webhosting	385.00	00.00	385.00
Moorleys Print	Order of Service	40.00	00.00	40.00
Petty Cash	Miscellaneous	86.06	00.00	86.06
Kaliber Construction	Final payment - Fallen	1605.00	00.00	1605.00
Chubb F & S Ltd	Fire alarm service	83.43	16.69	100.12
XLN Telecom	Phone lines and broadband	213.07	42.61	255.68
Tudor Landscape	WS & WW maintenance	148.28	00.00	148.28
J S Marriot	Internal Audit 2022/23	210.00	00.00	210.00
Mayers Design	Final fees	4882.44	976.49	5858.93
DC&S Ltd	Temperature monitoring	480.00	96.00	576.00
Viking	Stationery	71.11	14.22	85.33
Tudor Landscapes	Planting TH	122.46	00.00	122.46
Kirk Contracts	TH windows & WW	278.08	55.62	333.70
Tudor Landscapes	WW maintenance	93.50	00.00	93.50
Tudor Landscapes	Internal door repair	259.00	00.00	259.00
Tudor Landscape	Graffiti remover	22.48	4.50	26.98
DALC	Councillor training	288.50	00.00	288.50
Post Office	Postage – agendas	47.15	00.00	47.15
Drax Energy	Electricity supply	409.77	81.94	491.71
Waterplus	Water supply - WS	97.46	00.00	97.46
Opus Energy	Gas supply – TH & WS	1058.37	52.92	1111.29
AVBC	Rates	1266.00	00.00	1266.00
Opus Energy	Gas supply – FS	72.44	3.62	76.06
Nat West	Bank charges	27.30	00.00	27.30
<b>Total</b>		<b>20,216.65</b>	<b>1,608.41</b>	<b>21,825.06</b>

**Resolved:** Payment of the above accounts is approved at a cost of £21,825.06

**(c) Income for April/May 2023**

Town Hall lettings	3750.00
Town Hall	801.86
Wilmot Street	3650.25
Fire Station	2000.00
Environment/events	385.00
50% Precept	132702.50
Town Hall Rents	4000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>147,289.61</b>

**Resolved:** This information is received.

**(d) Bank Reconciliations – April and May 2023**

**Resolved:** This document is noted.

### 039 Grant Aid Applications

**Resolved:** To make the following grants-

Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Centre  
To provide welfare advice and support to our Residents £1000 + free weekly 3 hr room hire

2<sup>nd</sup> Heanor Rainbows  
To help support young girls, trip, and census £1000

Heanor Weenies Playgroup  
Renew equipment and ongoing costs £1000 in principle but delegated to the Clerk in consultation with the Leader and Mayor to clarify information.

5<sup>th</sup> Heanor Guides  
For tents £300

Leader to meet with Mr Wheatley to discuss his carnival funding request.

### 040 Items for Information

#### (a) Clerk's Report

From Monday 26 June, University Hospital Derby and Burton Trust are releasing 9 slots per day at 8.00am on the Swift queue system to book for urgent appointments at the Old Fire Station.

#### (b) For Information

Heanor and Langley Mill SNT – June Newsletter

Polling Station Review – The electoral Registration and Administration 2023 requires Amber Valley Borough Council to complete a review of Parliamentary polling districts, polling places and polling stations by 31 January 2024. Documents are available to on the Borough Council's website [www.ambervalley.gov.uk](http://www.ambervalley.gov.uk) or at their Council offices, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley.

Community Ownership Fund: The Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) has launched their third round of its Community Ownership Fund. For the first time, Parish Councils will also be able to apply to the fund.

Councillors S Bower, E Hamilton and T Holmes left the meeting.

### 041 Planning/Environment/Licensing

**AVA/2023/0335 – 21 Ford Avenue, Loscoe, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7LR**

Change of use from hairdresser to residential.

**AVA/2023/0336 – Ambivet Veterinary Group, 24 Mundy Street, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7EB**

The installation of 1 number external air conditioning unit.

**AVA/2023/0345 – 20 Hallington Drive, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7QX**

Rear and side single storey extension.

**041 Planning/Environment/Licensing (continued)**

**AVA/2023/0352 – 52 Claramount Road, Marlpool, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7HS**  
Proposed loft conversion including raising of ridge and box dormer to rear elevation.

**AVA/2023/0312 – 202 Loscoe Denby Lane, Denby Village, Ripley, Derbyshire, DE5 8PP**

Creation of access along with the excavation of the front garden to form car hard standing.

**AVA/2023/0439 – 17 Old Coppice Side, Marlpool, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7DH**  
Proposed 1<sup>st</sup> floor rear extension with Juliette balcony, loft conversion including rear dormer window and three velux windows to the front.

**AVA/2023/0452 – Michael David Upholstery, 17 Market Street, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7NR**

Change of use from retail (class E) to micropub (sui generis).

**AVA/2023/0378 – Amber Valley Borough Council, Stainsby Avenue, Heanor, Derbyshire**

Installation of external wall insulation at 26 Stainsby Avenue and 29 Stainsby Avenue, Heanor.

**AVA/2023/0484 – 2 Zouche Close, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7WL**

Two storey side and rear extension to create granny annex.

**AVA/2023/0501 – Land Adjacent to 16 Nook End Road, Heanor**

Erection of one detached bungalow.

**AVA/2023/0523 – Charles Hill Sports Ground**

Non material amendments and clarifications.

**AVA/2023/0549 – 9 Derby Road, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7QG**

Single Storey rear extension.

**PDR/2023/0031– Lloyds Bank, 29 Market Place, Heanor, Derbyshire,**

Application to see if prior approval required to convert first floor into flat.

**AVA/2023/0521 – Land at Brook Farm, High Street, Loscoe.**

Installation and operation of battery energy storage facility.

No comments made other than the need to follow all risk assessments for AVA/2023/0521.

Councillors P Jones and A Jones declared a personal interest in item AVA/2023/0521 and left the meeting.

After discussion Councillors S Bower, E Hamilton, T Holmes, A Jones and P Jones returned to the meeting.

**042 Date of Next Town Council Meeting**

Thursday 7 September 2023.