Minutes of the Meeting of Heanor and Loscoe Town Council held in the Town Hall, Heanor on 07 September 2023

- PRESENT: Councillors P Jones (Mayor), N Beswick, S Bower, L Brunelleschi, C M Cox, L Cox, J Edge, C Emmas-Williams, J Gent, S Goodrum, E Hamilton, M Howard, T Holmes, A Jones, Z Parr, J Stones, A Stevenson and J Ward.
- Also present: A Sharpe (Locum Clerk), K Greaves (Deputy Clerk), 2 Police and 21 Members of the public.

AGENDA

PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

043 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors V Harvey (Hospital) and C Neale (Holiday).

Resolved: These apologies for absence were noted.

044 Declaration of Members Interests/Update of Register

Agenda item 8c and 10a – Councillor L Cox - personal 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/2023/0567.

045 Requests for Dispensation

No request for dispensation received.

046 Public Speaking

Public Matters None.

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.

Outside Bodies No report.

Update on Future High Street Fund Project

With regards to agenda item 8a Leigh Turner, Project Manager attended the meeting and gave an update on the Future High Street Fund Project and answered questions from Councillors.

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Market Place Redesign Update

With regards to agenda item 8d the Council received a presentation on the plans for the Market Place redesign and timescales.

Battery Energy Storage Scheme

With regards to agenda item 8f the Council received a presentation on the proposed Battery Energy Storage Scheme from Downing Renewable Development.

Leaders Report submitted by Councillor E Hamilton

Discussions with Heanor Town Football Club regarding the development of a 3G football pitch at the ground.

Members of the Charles Hill CIO and the Town Council have met to discuss the CIO's financial planning for the future development.

Council members continue to support the CIO coffee mornings. The development is progressing well, and the roof beams are in place. Site visits are held regularly with the developers, Amber Vally Borough Council and Town Council members to discuss the progress of the site.

Work has started on the aims of the Action Plan with talks taking place about the establishment of a memory cafe.

Talks have taken place with Heanor Vision about working jointly to put on events and I am optimistic that together we can work together to make a difference to Heanor and portray a positive image of the town.

The Council is in discussions with Amber Valley Borough Council and the Church about the Remembrance Day parade.

Amber Valley Borough Council are conducting a public survey on two separate sports facilities being built in the area. Part of the funding has come from Government's Shared Prosperity Fund. The facilities are Charles Hill and a wheeled sports facility in Heanor. The consultation form and other information is available on the website. I urge all of you to complete the form.

The free paper, The Ilkeston Life, published an article in its last edition setting out Heanor & Loscoe Town Council's Action Plan, previously agreed at the August meeting. This article was written by the Mayor and me and not any officers of the council as implied by the article.

047 Minutes – 03 August 2023

The Minutes of the Town Council meeting held on Thursday 03 August 2023, were approved as a correct record, and duly signed by the mayor, subject to the addition of Councillor M Howard in the attendance list.

048 Items to be taken in Exclusion. Resolved: That Agenda item 13 be taken in exclusion.

049 Town Mayors Announcements

The Town Mayor welcomed everybody to tonight's meeting of Heanor and Loscoe Town Council.

Chain of Office Medallion

For information the medallion which forms part of the Mayors Chain of office is 75 years old this year being presented to the then Chair of Heanor and Loscoe Town Council in 1948 by the Rotary Club. Also, a bit of trivia the motto on the medallion is the motto adopted by Amber Valley Borough Council when it was created in 1974.

Heanor Town Football Club

The mayoress and I were invited by the club to look at the two advertising hoardings the Council have sponsored at the ground for this season at their first home match of the season. I was also presented with a first team shirt which will be auctioned off for Charity.

At the match I met one of the proprietors of Heanor Emporium who had a very positive view of the Town and its residents and some really good ideas of different types of events to put on for customers. It was very pleasing to see someone from the business community with a 'can do attitude'.

<u>Time warp</u>

The Time warp business has relocated from the High Street to the Market Place and I visited the proprietor on the day the premises opened. She also had a very positive attitude toward the Town and had a successful and popular opening with people queuing outside to get in. She also raised a couple of suggestions about events for the Town which I have passed on to the Chair of the events committee.

Florence Shipley Residential and Community Centre

The Mayoress and myself attended the Florence Shipley Dementia Services Fete. It was a wonderful event with £500 being raised for the Centre.

050 Town Council – Items for Decision/Action

- (a) <u>Cinema in the Park Event with Heanor Vision</u>
 Resolved: A grant of £1,650 be made to Heanor Vision for their Cinema in the Park event.
- (b) <u>Remembrance Day Parade 2023</u> It was noted that discussions were on-going with the RBL, Church, Leader and Mayor.
- (c) <u>Ripley Neighbourhood Plan Modifications</u> **Resolved:** That it be noted that Ripley Town Council will be consulting on modifications to their Neighbourhood Plan.
- (d) <u>Henry Garnett Festival and Sponsorship of the Gregg Cup</u> Councillors A and P Jones, having declared an interest earlier in the meeting, left the room whilst this item was considered. **Resolved**: that a grant of £300 be made to sponsor the Gregg Cup.
- (e) <u>Conclusion of Audited Accounts</u> Deferred to the next meeting.

- (f) <u>Vexatious Complains Policy</u> Deferred to next meeting.
- (g) <u>Speed Indicator Devices</u> Deferred to the Executive Committee.
- 051 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils August Newsletter Resolved: The above document is received.

052 Finance

(a) Bacs Payments (June - wages July)

| Payee | Description | Nett | Vat | Gross |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| Staff/Mayor | Wages/allowance | 4693.59 | 00.00 | 4693.59 |
| HMRC | Paye, NI | 945.19 | 00.00 | 945.19 |
| Derbyshire CC | Superannuation | 1011.95 | 00.00 | 1011.95 |
| James Hallam | Insurance | 10509.70 | 0.00 | 10509.70 |
| Chubb Fire & | CCTV system | 1385 | 277.00 | 1662.00 |
| Security | | | | |
| Ricoh UK Ltd | Photocopier rental/copies | 294.80 | 58.96 | 353.76 |
| Pictorial Limited | Information Board – Fallen | 495.00 | 99.00 | 594.00 |
| Chubb Fire & | Fire extinguisher service | 54.90 | 10.98 | 65.88 |
| Security Ltd | | | | |
| DALC | Training course | 50.00 | 00.00 | 50.00 |
| Viking | Stationary/cleaning materials | 63.24 | 12.65 | 75.89 |
| Waterplus | Water supply – WS | 102.66 | 00.00 | 102.66 |
| Pride Electrical | Electrical work – TH & WS | 304.64 | 60.93 | 365.57 |
| Services | | | | |
| NALC | E-learning course | 16.00 | 00.00 | 16.00 |
| Drax Energy | Electricity supply | 438.72 | 87.74 | 526.46 |
| Blue Gecko IT | IT services | 90.00 | 00.00 | 90.00 |
| Opus Energy | Gas supply – FS | 27.54 | 1.38 | 28.92 |
| Tudor Landscapes | Supply & install metal railing – | 645.00 | 00.00 | 645.00 |
| | Red River Nature Reserve | | | |
| Opus Energy | Gas supply – WS | 58.04 | 2.57 | 60.61 |
| XLN Telecom | Phone lines and broadband | 219.42 | 43.88 | 263.30 |
| Tudor Landscapes | Lamp post signs | 68.00 | 00.00 | 68.00 |
| Tudor Landscapes | Grass cutting – WS | 93.50 | 00.00 | 93.50 |
| Nat West | Bank charges | 32.48 | 00.00 | 32.48 |
| | | | | |
| Total | | 23,488.64 | 743.70 | 24,232.34 |

Resolved: Payment of the above accounts is approved at a total of £24,232.34.

052 Finance (continued)

(b) Bacs Payments (July - wages August)

| Payee | Description | Nett | Vat | Gross |
|------------------|-------------------------------|----------|--------|-----------|
| Derbyshire CC | Superannuation | 961.36 | 00.00 | 961.36 |
| HMRC | Paye, NI | 905.19 | 00.00 | 905.19 |
| Staff/Mayor | Wages/allowance | 4588.24 | 00.00 | 4588.24 |
| Viking | Water – Council Chamber | 36.98 | 7.40 | 44.38 |
| Waterplus | Water supply – TH upstairs | 316.86 | 00.00 | 316.86 |
| Waterplus | Water supply – TH downstairs | 31.13 | 00.00 | 313.13 |
| Viking | Cleaning materials | 26.92 | 5.38 | 32.30 |
| PTSG | Lightning Protection System – | 138.00 | 27.60 | 165.60 |
| | TH | | | |
| Tudor Landscapes | Maintenance – WS | 212.00 | 00.00 | 212.00 |
| AVBC | Rates | 1266 | 00.00 | 1266 |
| SSE SWALEC | Electricity - WS | 72.29 | 3.61 | 75.90 |
| Waterplus | Water supply – WS | 97.46 | 00.00 | 97.46 |
| Opus Energy | Gas supply – WS | 52.53 | 2.63 | 55.16 |
| SSE SWALEC | Electricity – FS | 891.14 | 178.22 | 1069.36 |
| Opus Energy | Gas supply – FS | 14.95 | 0.75 | 15.70 |
| Opus Energy | Gas supply – TH | 6.60 | 0.33 | 6.93 |
| XLN Telecom | Phone lines and broadband | 219.42 | 43.88 | 263.30 |
| Nat West | Bank charges | 21.35 | 00.00 | 21.35 |
| Total | | 9,858.42 | 269.80 | 10,128.22 |

Resolved: Payment of the above accounts is approved at a cost of £10,128.22

(c) Income for June/July 2023

| Total | 7,406.50 |
|--------------------|----------|
| Environment/events | 50.00 |
| Fire Station | 2000.00 |
| Wilmot Street | 2,383.50 |
| Town Hall | 40.00 |
| Town Hall lettings | 2993.00 |

Resolved: This information is received.

053 Planning/Environment/Licensing

Councillors Bower, Hamilton and Holmes having previously declared an interest withdrew from the meeting during this item.

AVA/2023/0567 - Salcare 59 Ray Street, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7GF

Installation of 20 solar PV panels on the south elevation of the building on Ray Street. **Decision** expected 22nd September 2023.

AVA/2023/0573 – Land off Church Street, Church Street, Heanor, Derbyshire

Outline application for erection of a building to be used as a café (Use Class E) with outdoor seating area. **Decision expected 26th September 2023.**

053 Planning/Environment/Licensing (continued)

AVA/2023/0602 Barclays Bank, 27-28 Market Place, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7AF

Three storey rear extension and internal reconfiguration to provide 5 flats and second floors, including insertion of entrance door to foyer from Godfrey Street. Retention of Class E use (commercial business and service) to ground floor. **Decision expected 26th September 2023.**

AVA/2023/0583 – Property at Stainsby Avenue, Heanor, Derbyshire

Installation of external wall insulation at 15 Stainsby Avenue and 33 Stainsby Avenue. **Decision** expected 28th September 2023.

AVA/2023/0609 – KLN Accountancy Services, 8-10 High Street, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7EX

Change of use from accountant office (class E) to tattoo studio (sui generis). **Decision** expected 28th September 2023.

Exclusion of Press and Public

054 Legal Advice

The Clerk reported on the latest legal advice received relating to recent activities. **Resolved:** That the report be noted.