

**Minutes of the
Meeting of Heanor and Loscoe Town Council
held in the Town Hall, Heanor on 4 April 2019**

PRESENT: Councillor B Gration (Mayor), G Aldwinckle, M Burrell, Mrs C Cox, Mrs C Gration, Mrs E Hamilton, K Hill, Mrs A Jones, P Jones, D Jowett, A Longdon, Mrs H Longdon and T Lynch.

Also present: Richard Fletcher – Volunteer Fundraiser, The Air Ambulance Service and two members of public.

The Mayor presented a cheque to Richard Fletcher of The Air Ambulance Service. The Air Ambulance Service is one of the Mayor's chosen charities during his term of office.

Councillor Mrs C Cox, on behalf of Mrs Mary Holmes, donated a commemorative plate to the Council in memory of Mrs Holmes late husband, John Holmes. The plate memorialises the final firing at Langley Pottery in December 1982.

AGENDA

PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

168 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R Iliffe (prior engagement), Mrs S Iliffe (prior engagement), Mrs J Janes (prior commitment) and Miss H Stirland (family commitment).

Resolved: Members approved these reasons for absence.

169 Declaration of Members Interests/Update of Register

The following Declarations of Interest were received:

Agenda Item 12 – Planning/Environmental/Licensing

Councillor B Gration - personal (leave meeting) - member of AVBC Planning Board

Councillor Mrs C Gration – personal (leave meeting) – wife of B Gration (member of AVBC Planning Board)

Councillor K Hill - personal (leave meeting) - member of AVBC Planning Board

170 Dispensations

No request for dispensation was received.

171 Public Speaking

Public Matters

A member of the public, representing residents in the Crosshill area who are opposing Amber Valley Borough Council's decision to utilise Crosshill green belt as development land, spoke to members and asked for the support of the Town Council.

Police Matters

No police presence and no matter raised.

171 Public Speaking (cont.)

County Council

No report received.

Borough Council

Nothing to report.

Outside Bodies

Nothing to report.

Leaders Report by Councillor Paul Jones

Retiring members

As this is the last Full Council meeting before the elections, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all members for their contributions over the last four years in our attempts to make improvements to the environment and economic future of our Town. It has not been easy and there is more to do but I feel we have made a positive start. I also want to thank all the staff for their efforts in supporting members during this time. In respect of those members who are voluntarily retiring I want to say you will be missed and hope that you will continue to support the Town in whatever way in the future. For those members seeking re-election I wish you every success.

Green belt Review

I attended the display of the Borough Council's proposals for the greenbelt review and feel that we as a Council do need to comment. I think our comments should be as follows.

- 1 We do not feel that the proposals are legal as those sites identified have not been shown to have 'exceptional circumstances' for their removal from the greenbelt.
- 2 Crosshill - Codnor. We feel will, if allowed, be the start of the coalescing of Loscoe with Crosshill. It is virtually adjacent to Brook Street, Highfield Close and Springfield Avenue. We believe this will leave that part of Loscoe under a greater risk of further development and therefore we object to this proposal. We also believe the access and egress to this site on a major road is a great concern.
- 3 Peatburn Avenue - Heanor. The proposal for in excess of 140 additional properties in this area is poorly thought out due to infrastructure problems. The access and egress for a potential additional 280 cars are not sustainable due to the narrowness of the carriage way and the difficulty cars have at the moment to turn onto Derby Road. This is made worse during the morning and afternoon rush at the School which sometimes results in gridlock. The only way to provide an alternative access to the site is to remove even more greenbelt which is totally unacceptable.
- 4 Ilkeston Road - Heanor. The access to this site is sub-standard, it is off a narrow one-way street. The proposals will only add to the number of cars using this system which we believe is not sustainable. There are already significant issues with cars turning off Ilkeston Road into Breech Road to access this area and the road network here is the main access for Ilkeston Road for properties along Breech Road and its neighbouring streets.

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Leaders Report by Councillor Paul Jones (cont.)

Heanor Vision meeting

I attended the Heanor Vision meeting at St Lawrence Church. There were approximately 60 members of the public in attendance. The main issues raised were as follows:- cars parking on pavements, litter, buses using residential roads, dog fouling and lack of bins for doggy bags, anti-social behaviour around Wilmot Street, Boyes Car Park and Lockton Avenue play area, additional car parking on the Market Place, the planning decision to convert shops for residential use and the future of the former Grammar School site.

There remains concern over drugs and a need for improved youth facilities.

Investment in the Town

Hopefully members will have noticed the new cycle racks provided by the Town Council on the Market Place. This is part of our campaign to improve the environment, encourage green transport and improve access to the Town Centre.

172 Minutes

The Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on Thursday 7 March 2019 having been circulated to members, were approved as a correct record and duly signed by the Mayor.

173 Items to be taken in Exclusion

Resolved: No items to be taken in exclusion.

174 Town Mayors Announcements

During the last month the Town Mayor had attended the following events:

15 March Siting of MUGA at Lockton Avenue Playing Fields
17 March Belper Civic Service

The Town Mayor took this opportunity to thank all members for their work over the last four years and for their support during his term of office.

175 Town Council – Items for Decision/Action

(a) The Pentrich and South Wingfield Revolution Group – Executive Summary
Members received copies of the Executive Summary of the Evaluation Report for the PSWRG project.

Resolved: This information is received.

176 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Circular 04/2019 General – VAT, Purdah Guidance, External Audit News, Report from the Committee on Standards in Public Life, BREXIT, Rural England' State of Rural Services 2018 Report, Persimmon Homes – giving away £1 million

Resolved: The above documents are received.

177 Finance

(a) Accounts for Payment

Cheque No	Payee/Description	Nett	Vat	Gross
1428	Petty cash – reimbursement	87.39	5.08	92.47
1429	Microsoft – online services	112.80	22.56	135.36
1430	Mr Ballooney – May Day Deposit	1000.00	00.00	1000.00
1431	Viking – postage	111.98	00.00	111.98
1432	Burleys – garden maintenance	110.15	22.03	132.18
1433	DALC – annual subscription	1389.60	00.00	1389.60
1434	Mundy School – donation	175.00	00.00	175.00
1435	Kirk Contracts – window cleaning	93.41	18.68	112.09
1436	Cancelled			
1437	Jeni Smith – banner restoration	325.00	00.00	325.00
1438	Tudor Landscapes – repairs/maint	124.98	00.00	124.98
1439	Cancelled			
1440	Viking – stationery	17.36	3.47	20.83
1441	Harlite – install noticeboard	722.50	144.50	867.00
1442	Inland Revenue – Paye/Nl	951.84	00.00	951.84
1443	Derbyshire CC – superannuation	721.50	00.00	721.50
1444	James Hall – replacement boiler FS	2275.00	00.00	2275.00
1445	Tudor Landscapes – repairs/maint	527.42	00.00	527.42
TOTAL		8745.93	216.32	8962.25

Resolved: Payment of the above accounts at a cost of £8962.25.

(b) Bacs Payments for approval (February - wages March)

Payee	Description	Nett	Vat	Gross
Staff	Salary/Wages	4345.29	00.00	4345.29
Opus Energy	Gas supply – FS	163.56	8.18	171.74
Opus Energy	Gas supply – TH	763.83	152.77	916.60
Talk Talk	Broadband Rental	21.60	5.40	27.00
XLN	3 x line rental + calls	110.82	22.16	132.98
Opus Energy	Gas supply – WS	390.41	78.08	468.49
Info Commissioner	Registration	35.00	00.00	35.00
Haven Power	Electricity supply – TH	486.04	97.21	583.25
Waterplus	Water supply – TH(downstairs)	109.18	00.00	109.18
Total		6425.73	363.80	6789.53

Resolved: Payment of the above accounts by BACS is approved.

(c) Income for February 2019

Town Hall lettings	1979.00
Town Hall Rents	333.33
The Old Fire Station	866.00
Wilmot Street Centre	3300.50
Town Hall	489.17
Other	00.00
Total	6968.00

Resolved: This information is received.

178 Items for Information

(a) Clerk's Report

Local contractor sourced for garden maintenance, building repairs and general maintenance.

Finalised agreement with Plantscape for summer planting. Six full baskets (Marlpool), 11 (Town Centre and Tesco island), 6 Loscoe plus parish boundary signs and Town Hall display.

May Day event – Monday 6 May 2019 – 11am – 3pm. Attractions include: Petting zoo, stilt walkers and circus skills, Dream party bus and catering stalls.

Press Red have pencilled in 15 May to meet with stakeholders.

The Town Hall now has fibre broadband. The Wi-Fi code is 4asry7XX.

Over 60 people attended the recent CPR/Defibrillator training held on 20 March 2019.

Millennium banner has been restored.

New e-mail for Town Council – admin@heanorloscoetowncouncil.gov.uk

(b) For information

Alfreton Town Council – letter of support to Crich Parish Council's vote of No confidence vote in AVBC as a Planning Authority

St Lawrence Church, Heanor – Thank you for covering the costs to repair the tower clock.

Resolved: This information is received.

179 Planning/Environment/Licensing

AVA/2019/0189 – 33 Carlyle Street, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7FZ Loft conversion with front dormer.

AVA/2019/0128 – 9 Ridgeway, Marlpool, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7BU Demolish the existing open porch and build a new porch onto the front of the property.

PDR/2019/0016 – The Swinton Group 32-34 Market Place, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7NR
PDR Class O – Notification for prior approval for change of use from B1 Offices to C3 residential.

Town Council comment: The Town Council oppose this application as it is over intensive development of the site with no amenities area.

AVA/2019/0191 – Heanor Service UK, Heanor Road, Loscoe, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7JT Erection of 3 overhead canopies and relocation of staff cabin and equipment store.

AVA/2019/0247 – 16 Mill Road, Marlpool, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7NB Single storey rear lean extension. Retrospective Planning Permission.

Town Council comment: The Town Council object to any retrospective application.

AVA/2019/0155 – 76 Thorpes Road, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7GR Change of use of Unit 1 to showroom and office space retaining a proportion as warehouse.

AVA/2019/0202 – Classic Spares, Longbridge, Loscoe, Heanor, Derbyshire, DE75 7GH
Application for permission in principle for change of use of land from employment to allow for residential development including demolition of the employment units.

Town Council comment: The Town Council oppose this application as they wish to retain as much employment land as possible.

PART 11 – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

No items for discussion.

180 Date of Next Town Council Meeting – Annual Town Council Thursday 9 May 2019