



## MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

**Meeting:** Thursday, 27 February 2020 at 7.15 pm in The Arts Centre, Pavilion Gardens, Buxton

**Present:** Councillor E Kelly (Chair)

Councillors R Abbotts, T Ashton, R Atkins, R Baker, A Barrow, J Collins, L Dowson, C Farrell, D Greenhalgh, L Grooby, M Hall, D Kerr, D Lomax, E Longden, A McKeown, J Perkins, R Quinn, P Roberts, K Savage, E Siddall, K Sizeland, F Sloman, M Stone, K Thomson, S Thomson, E Thrane, J Todd, G Wharmby, J Wharmby and S Young

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Douglas, S Flower, S Gardner, J Haken and T Kemp

**20/31 TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNCIL**  
(Agenda Item 2)

There were no declarations made.

**20/32 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**  
(Agenda Item 3)

It was moved by Councillor A McKeown and seconded by Councillor Greenhalgh that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 December 2019 be approved as a correct record.

The motion was carried and the Mayor was authorised to sign the minutes.

**20/33 MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
(Agenda Item 4)

The Mayor thanked councillors for supporting his Charity Ball which was due to take on 14 March 2020.

**20/34 QUESTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**  
(Agenda Item 5)

**1. Question received from Councillor Haken for the Leader of the Council:**

“At the last full council I asked a question with regard to the level of compensation and repairs to the shops within Glossop market arcade affected by the rain water ingress during the repairs to the arcade roof.

At present some repairs have been carried out by the councils contractors but more is outstanding. One tenant has instructed solicitors to take legal action against the council in the courts. To ensure that High Peak Borough Council, as landlord of the market arcade is seem to be fair and just to all its tenants may I ask for a full reply to my supplementary from the 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019 which was read out to the leader of the council by myself.

I would ask that:

- On completion of the roof repairs to the municipal building, to fully refurbish the retail premises of the council tenant affected by the water leaks at the council's expense. Such refurbishment to include full electrical rewiring of the unit together with full internal ceiling and wall redecoration together with relaying the flooring of the units.
- To allow the tenants a rent free period which shall be of equal length to the full period that has elapsed during the repair to the roof of the municipal building
- All costs of these repairs shall be paid by High Peak Borough Council together with any legal costs for the council and tenants."

**Response:**

"At this point, no roof repairs have yet to start at Municipal Buildings, I assume that Councillor Haken refers to the works that have been undertaken at the Town Hall, which is phase 1 of the project. I can confirm that the works to the roof section over the Town Hall (and Market Arcade) are complete except for some minor snagging issues which have been delayed by the recent bad weather and we are currently awaiting revised dates.

Three of the tenants of the Market Arcade were affected by water ingress during the work through last summer and autumn, but each one was affected differently. A fourth unit was affected, but this was vacant at the time and was utilised informally to help the affected tenants. Officers were in contact with all the tenants through this period and each tenant was given an appropriate rent free period when they experienced disruption. The electrics were checked to ensure that they were safe to use in all four of the units. Re-wiring was undertaken where appropriate.

Unit 1 unfortunately received most of issue and officers worked with the tenant ad contractor to agree a full rewire, refurbishment and redecoration of this unit which now includes new upgraded lighting and mirror fixtures. This was completed and the tenant re-entered the unit before Christmas.

One of the other tenants has now confirmed that they will be closing their business at the end of March. Officers are agreeing an appropriate settlement with this individual.

The third tenants' electrics were checked and the ceiling tiles were replaced as appropriate, they also received new flooring throughout their unit.

It would be inappropriate to all the tenants a rent free period of equal length to the full period that has elapsed during the repair of the municipal building

as the tenants were not affected for the full time that the works were being undertaken.

The repairs highlighted above have been met by the Council and the contractor. The legal claim advanced by one of the tenants has been passed to the contractor to deal with.”

**2. Question received from Councillor Haken for the Executive Councillor for Regeneration, Tourism and Leisure and Deputy Leader:**

“Many High Peak residents who are receiving chemotherapy treatment for cancer from the Christie Hospital in Manchester are now able to be treated at Arden House Health Centre at New Mills. This wonderful service to High Peak residents is administered by Christies nurses here in our community. The benefit to our affected residents by this service is not just the ease of access to New Mills. The local location reduces an eight hour session at the Christie in Manchester to just two short treatments at New Mills. Residents undergoing treatment save time and travel costs as well.

My wife is currently a recipient of this care and on a visit to the clinic in December I noticed that the Christie nurses providing clinical care have to come out of the clinic during the day to feed the parking meters on the council’s car park.

In view of the relief and wellbeing that these Christie nurses bring to High Peak cancer patients could I ask that Councillor Greenhalgh consult with his executive colleagues and provide a free parking permit to the nurses in consultation with the hospital.”

**Response:**

“I am sorry to learn of your wife’s need to access specialist cancer treatment health services, and I am sure all councillors and officers of the Council will join me in wishing her success in her treatment and seek a full and speedy recovery for her.

The Christie and its dedicated staff do fantastic work in its Manchester base and through the community outreach services in the High Peak such as the one he has personal experience of in New Mills. There have been similar suggestions to support other workers that make significant contributions to our Borough, such as local Mountain Rescue Teams for instance too for when their members are on call.

There will be a review of the Car Parking Strategy later this year, and we will therefore take this opportunity to look at what the Council’s policy can do to recognise these in our charging and policy.

In the meantime I would encourage either the Christie or the Arden House Health Centre to contact the Council’s parking team directly to discuss the range of passes and permits that we currently offer.”

**3. Question received from Councillor Hardy for the Leader of the Council:**

“With the Glossop Market Hall closing in April will the Leader of the Council please explain what is the method or formula that has been used by the High Peak Borough Council to fully compensate all of the traders within the Glossop Market Hall for the enforced loss of their business. Will the leader of the Council confirm that all ex-traders will be treated equally and fairly,”

**Response:**

“Calculation of compensation is governed by the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 (Section 37(2), LTA 1954.)

For those tenants with a secure tenancy:

The compensation is calculated by applying a multiplier to the rateable value of the property. The compensation is doubled where tenants and any predecessors had been in occupation of the property for the purpose of the same business for 14 years or more.

Calculations for the compensation are as follows:

For less than 14 years occupation: the rateable value of the property x the appropriate multiplier x 1.

For 14 years or more: the rateable value of the property x the appropriate multiplier x 2.

The tenants are entitled to the compensation as calculated above following service of at least six months notice. If the tenants are asked to move out of the property earlier than the six month statutory notice period this would have to be by agreement and subject to negotiation of further compensation. The current closure date is less than six months notice for some tenants.

For those tenants with non secure tenancy:

There is no entitlement to compensation except in the following circumstance: If the Council ends the tenancy agreement earlier than the end date as set out in their tenancy agreement this would have to be by agreement and subject to negotiation of appropriate compensation. The current closure date is earlier than the end date in a number of current non secure tenancy agreements.

As Members will be aware the Council has been seeking to develop options which will allow all market traders to continue in business during the closure of the market hall.”

In response to a supplementary question the Leader of the Council stated that there were no plans for extending the opening hours of the Market Hall but this could be discussed once the works were completed.

**4. Question received from Councillor Atkins for the Leader of the Council:**

“The threatened closure of the Goyt Valley House Adult Care Home in New Mills gives rise to not only serious problems for residents of the Home but also to close relatives who wish to visit them on a very frequent basis. Many of these relatives may themselves be elderly and infirm and may not be able to drive and/or have access to a motor vehicle. Furthermore, they may live some distance from the nearest public transport access point and that transport itself may not take them to any point close to the nearest care home the person they wish to visit is moved to.

Could I request that, given the daunting prospect of closure of the Goyt Valley Home, High Peak Borough Council should endeavour to work in conjunction with other local organisations to try and establish a viable system that will enable regular visits by close relatives to the nearest continuing care homes?”

**Response:**

“The County Council has entered into a period of consultation, running until 24th April 2020, about the closure of Goyt Valley House and a number of other care homes in the County. The County Council has stated that depending on the outcome of the consultation and its subsequent decision it will ‘carry out a full assessment of needs assessment of all its residents and ensure they and their relatives are fully supported to make the best choices for their future’. High Peak Borough Council can contribute its own views to the public consultation but then needs to await the County Council’s decision. Recognising just how difficult any closure could be for the residents of Goyt Valley House and for their relatives High Peak Borough Council can contribute its own views to the public consultation which we will do at the next meeting of Community Select, but we then need to await the County Council’s decision. We recognise the concerns and just how difficult any closure could be for the residents of Goyt Valley House and for their relatives and High Peak Borough Council will stand ready to work with other local organisations to assist if required.”

In response to a supplementary question the Leader of the Council stated that he shared the concerns raised and that the Community Select Committee on 25 March would consider the Council’s response to this and the voluntary sector consultation.

**5. Question received from Councillor Collins for the Leader of the Council, Executive Councillor for Housing and Licensing and Executive Councillor for Climate Change, Environment and Community Safety**

“In October 2019 High Peak Borough Council passed a motion to make its operations and services carbon neutral by 2030. Buildings are the local highest emitters of greenhouse gases over which the Council has some control, and are therefore a priority.

When is the Council going to start retrofitting its own housing to a standard which will contribute proportionately to High Peak's challenging target and ensure that new housing also contributes through energy efficiency of a higher standard than that in current building regulations?"

**Response:**

"The Climate Change Update report sets out that the Housing Stock conditions survey has identified a below average energy efficiency rating (SAP rating) for HPBC housing stock. The report indicates that there is an opportunity to further improve the energy efficiency in the Council's housing stock. Progress can be achieved in the coming year within the current budget and subject to consideration by the Council's Climate Change Working Group a programme can be developed for future years."

**20/35 TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE**  
(Agenda Item 6)

**20/35a 2020/21 BUDGET & MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2020/21 TO 2023/24**  
(Agenda Item 6a)

It was moved by Councillor Barrow and seconded by Councillor A McKeown that Council:

- Approves the General Fund Budget for 2020/21 as detailed in **Appendix A (section 8)**
- Approves the revised Medium Term Financial Plan (2020/21 to 2023/24) as detailed in **Appendix A**, including the revised Capital Programme (attached at Annex A)
- Approves the Capital Strategy 2020/21 as set out in **Appendix B**
- Approves the updated Housing Revenue Account Business Plan Forecast as detailed in **Appendix C**
- Approves the proposed Fees and Charges for 2020/21 as detailed in **Appendix D**
- Approves the proposed Procurement Forward Plan for 2020/21, providing the authority to procure based on procurement activity detailed in **Appendix E**
- Approves a Band D Council Tax of £195.40 for 2020/21 (an increase of 1.9% from 2019/20)
- Approves the HRA charges as follows:
  - Dwellings rents to increase by an average of 2.7% from £69.40 to £71.45 average per week (*average rent takes into account new tenancies where formula rent is charged*)

- Garage rents to be increased by 5% from £6.79 to £7.13 average per week
  - Other Charges including services charges to increase by a maximum of 5% for current tenants
  - Fuel charges at individual blocks have been reviewed and the 2020/21 charge is based on the 2019/20 estimated costs and 2018/19 actual fuel usage/prices, charged on an individual scheme basis
- Notes the Chief Finance Officer's view that the level of reserves are adequate for the Council based on this budget and the circumstances in place at the time of preparing it (**Appendix A Annex E**)

In accordance with the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014, councillors voted as follows with regard to the recommendations provided within section 2.1 of the report:

<b>FOR</b>	<b>AGAINST</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
ABBOTTS, R		
ASHTON, A		
ATKINS, R		
BAKER, R		
BARROW, A		
BURTON, E		
COLLINS, J		
DOUGLAS, J		
DOWSON, L		
FARRELL, C		
GREENHALGH, D		
GROOBY, L		
HALL, M		
HARDY, P		
HUDDLESTONE, I		
KELLY, E		
KERR, D		
LAWSON, E		
LOMAX, D		
LONGDEN, E		
MCKEOWN, A		
MCKEOWN, R		
OAKLEY, G		
PEKINS, J		
QUINN, R		
ROBERTS, P		
SAVAGE, K		
SIDDALL, E		
SIZELAND, K		
SLOMAN, F		
STONE, M		
THOMSON, K		
THOMSON, S		
THRANE, E		

TODD, J		
WHARMBY, G		
WHARMBY, J		
YOUNG, S		

The recommendations were declared carried, and it was RESOLVED accordingly

**20/36 TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE AUDIT AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE**  
(Agenda Item 7)

The following motions were moved by Councillor Cross and seconded by Councillor Thrane:

**20/36a EXTERNAL AUDIT 2019/20 AUDIT PLAN**  
(Agenda Item 7a)

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

**20/36b TREASURY MANAGEMENT UPDATE**  
(Agenda Item 7b)

RESOLVED:

That the current treasury management position (as at 31 December 2019) be noted.

**20/36c 2020/21 TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY**  
(Agenda Item 7c)

RESOLVED:

That the Annual Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS) 2020/21 be approved.

**20/37 CLIMATE CHANGE UPDATE**  
(Agenda Item 8)

It was moved by Councillor Todd and seconded by Councillor A McKeown that Council:

1. Note the actions taken to date.
2. Approve the proposed actions set out in 7.7.1 to 7.7.8 below, subject to consideration by the Climate Change Working Group and relevant committees.

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.



**20/38 TO SET THE COUNCIL TAX FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR BEGINNING 1 APRIL 2020**  
(Agenda Item 9)

It was moved by Councillor Barrow and seconded by Councillor A McKeown:

That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council in accordance with Sections 31A and 31B of the Local Government Act 1992 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011):

- (a) £45,505,621 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (2) of the Act. **(Gross Expenditure on General Fund Services, and Parish Precepts)**
- (b) £38,831,880 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 31A (3) of the Act. **(Gross Income including External Financing and the Use of Reserves)**
- (c) £6,673,741 being the amount by which the aggregate at (a) above exceeds the aggregate at (b) above calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31A (4) of the Act as its Council Tax requirement for the year **(Amount to be Funded from Council Tax)**
- (d) £215.49 being the amount at (c) above divided by the tax base, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 31 (B) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year. **(Average Local Council Tax)**
- (e) Appendix B being Council Tax for the HPBC Borough divided by the tax base plus the Parish Precept and any amounts of special items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area divided the local tax base. **(Band D Charges for each Parish)**
- (f) Appendix C being the amounts given by multiplying the amount at (e) above by the number which, in the proportion applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands **(Charges for all Bands)**
- (g) Appendix D being the aggregate of the local charges in (f) above and the amounts levied by major precepting authorities. **(Total Council Tax charge for each Band in each Parish)**

**APPENDIX B**

Local Council Tax at Band D – 2020/21

*(Total of the Borough charge plus the named Town or Parish Council)*

<b>Parish</b>	<b>Borough &amp; Parish</b>
Bamford with Thornhill	£216.56
Brough & Shatton	£195.40
Buxton, Hadfield & Glossop	£195.40
Castleton	£227.97
Chapel-en-le-Frith	£231.55
Charlesworth	£207.29
Chinley, Buxworth & Brownside	£246.84
Chisworth	£226.94
Derwent & Hope Woodlands	£211.72
Edale	£231.30
Hartington Upper Quarter	£232.51
Hayfield	£243.30
Hope With Aston	£212.44
King Sterndale	£195.40
New Mills	£264.76
Peak Forest	£262.30
Tintwistle	£230.25
Whaley Bridge	£236.35
Wormhill and Green Fairfield	£206.73



**APPENDIX D**

**Total Council Tax – 2020/21**

*(Total of the Borough, County, Police and Fire Service charges plus the named Town or Parish Council)*

Parish	BAND A	BAND B	BAND C	BAND D	BAND E	BAND F	BAND G	BAND H
	6	7	8	9	11	13	15	18
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Bamford with Thornhill	1,246.83	1,454.62	1,662.42	1,870.23	2,285.84	2,701.44	3,117.06	3,740.46
Brough & Shatton	1,232.72	1,438.16	1,643.61	1,849.07	2,259.98	2,670.88	3,081.79	3,698.14
Buxton, Hadfield & Glossop	1,232.72	1,438.16	1,643.61	1,849.07	2,259.98	2,670.88	3,081.79	3,698.14
Castleton	1,254.43	1,463.49	1,672.56	1,881.64	2,299.79	2,717.93	3,136.07	3,763.28
Chapel-en-le-Frith	1,256.82	1,466.28	1,675.74	1,885.22	2,304.16	2,723.10	3,142.04	3,770.44
Charlesworth	1,240.65	1,447.41	1,654.18	1,860.96	2,274.51	2,688.05	3,101.61	3,721.92
Chinley, Buxworth & Brownside	1,267.01	1,478.17	1,689.33	1,900.51	2,322.85	2,745.18	3,167.52	3,801.02
Chisworth	1,253.75	1,462.69	1,671.65	1,880.61	2,298.53	2,716.44	3,134.36	3,761.22
Derwent & Hope Woodlands	1,243.60	1,450.85	1,658.12	1,865.39	2,279.93	2,694.45	3,108.99	3,730.78
Edale	1,256.65	1,466.08	1,675.52	1,884.97	2,303.86	2,722.74	3,141.62	3,769.94
Hartington Upper Quarter	1,257.46	1,467.02	1,676.60	1,886.18	2,305.34	2,724.48	3,143.64	3,772.36
Hayfield	1,264.65	1,475.42	1,686.19	1,896.97	2,318.52	2,740.07	3,161.62	3,793.94
Hope With Aston	1,244.08	1,451.41	1,658.76	1,866.11	2,280.81	2,695.49	3,110.19	3,732.22
King Sterndale	1,232.72	1,438.16	1,643.61	1,849.07	2,259.98	2,670.88	3,081.79	3,698.14
New Mills	1,278.96	1,492.11	1,705.26	1,918.43	2,344.75	2,771.07	3,197.39	3,836.86
Peak Forest	1,277.32	1,490.19	1,703.08	1,915.97	2,341.75	2,767.51	3,193.29	3,831.94
Tintwistle	1,255.95	1,465.27	1,674.59	1,883.92	2,302.57	2,721.22	3,139.87	3,767.84
Whaley Bridge	1,260.02	1,470.01	1,680.01	1,890.02	2,310.03	2,730.03	3,150.04	3,780.04
Wormhill and Green Fairfield	1,240.27	1,446.97	1,653.68	1,860.40	2,273.83	2,687.25	3,100.67	3,720.80

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.

**20/39 PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2020/2021**  
(Agenda Item 10)

It was moved by Councillor Barrow and seconded by Councillor A McKeown that the Pay Policy Statement 2020/21 be approved.

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.

**20/40 NOTICE OF MOTION**  
(Agenda Item 11)

**20/40a PERIOD POVERTY**  
(Agenda Item 11a)

It was moved by Councillor Sloman and seconded by Councillor Shannon-Kate Thomson:

That Council notes that:

- A survey by Plan International UK found that 1 in 10 girls had been unable to afford sanitary products;
- 56% of girls said they would rather be bullied at school than talk to their parents about periods;
- This is particularly problematic for girls from low-income families who see their parents struggling to make ends meet and feel reluctant to ask them to add sanitary products to the weekly shop;
- In many cases, as a result, they may lose a significant number of days of schooling;
- Regrettably, even women in low-income employment are sometimes unable to afford such products when struggling to meet household bills and feed their families;
- Ironically, only female prisoners have a statutory right to access free sanitary products.

Council believes that, in a country as wealthy as Britain, 'Period Poverty' is a scandal that should be ended.

Council commends:

- The Scottish Government for its commitment to tackle 'Period Poverty' by introducing free sanitary products in all educational establishments, and notes that Scotland was one of the first countries to pilot a scheme to young women and girls in need in Aberdeen;
- The 'dignity bags' scheme established by Chepstow Town Council where members of the public can donate sanitary products in branded boxes located in prominent places, such as pharmacies and libraries, for re-distribution to women in need

Council resolves to:

- To explore with local secondary schools and college how sanitary products can be made available free in their establishments and the practicality of establishing a 'dignity bags' scheme in the Borough;
- Ask the Chief Executive to write to the Secretary of State for Education and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, asking the Government to scrap the VAT levied on female hygiene products as soon as is practicable and, in the meantime, to use the VAT collected on these products to fund the provision of free sanitary products for girls and women in need.

Councillor Thrane moved and Councillor Ashton seconded the following amendment (text of the amendment indicated by italics):

Council commends:

- *The Scottish Assembly for its agreement in principle this week to provide free sanitary protection for 'anyone who needs them' and its earlier commitment to tackle 'Period Poverty' by introducing free sanitary products in all educational establishments;*

- The ‘dignity bags’ scheme established by Chepstow Town Council where members of the public can donate sanitary products in branded boxes located in prominent places, such as pharmacies and libraries, for re-distribution to women in need;
- *The Government’s scheme launched on 20 January 2020 to enable and fund schools and colleges to order period products for those who need them<sup>1</sup>;*
- *The Government health education policy whereby, under new guidance on relationships, sex and health education from September 2020 – it becomes compulsory for all state funded primary and secondary schools to ensure **all** young people learn about living healthy lives, including menstrual wellbeing;*
- *The Government’s commitment to end 5% VAT on period products in the UK as soon as legally possible following the UK’s exit from the European Union and to eradicate period poverty globally by 2030.*

Council resolves to:

- *Monitor the local implementation of the Government’s 2020 period products scheme in High Peak, in liaison with Derbyshire County Council;*
- *If necessary, mandate councillors to encourage all schools in High Peak to participate;*
- *Research the practicalities and costs of establishing arrangements for a ‘dignity bags’ or similar scheme in the Borough;*
- *Consider providing potential seedcorn funding for any such arrangements through earmarking an appropriate amount from each member’s councillor initiative fund allocation for the first two years of implementation.*

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.

**20/40b BINGSWOOD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**  
(Agenda Item 11b)

It was moved by Councillor Lomax and seconded by Councillor Atkins:

Access to the Bingswood Industrial Estate remains a major problem for residents, visitors and of course for those businesses located there. Heavy Goods Vehicles (also known as LGVs in Europe) struggle to make the turn onto Canal Street and frequently make the mistake of turning into Bridge Street, a dead end with a severely limited turning opportunity. Canal St is a narrow road with parked cars on one side. When the Post Office was located there, one lorry mounted the pavement and got so close to the premises that it hit the wall-mounted Post Office sign. Other vehicles have

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<sup>1</sup> (<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/free-period-products-for-all-schools-and-colleges>)

partly shed their loads, fortunately not hitting pedestrians. The road continues past the canal basin and the Grade 2\* transshipment shed. HGV's continue along Bingswood Avenue, a residential street which used to be the rail access to the site.

When Tesco's sought permission for a store on Hoggs yard they agreed to fund a new access to the Industrial Estate as part of a planning gain, However, the Planning Committee refused the application. A smaller store was given approval and Tesco's committed £100,000 S106 towards the project of a new bridge. The Town Council secure planning permission for the bridge. However despite over 20 years of trying the bridge was never built. The Tesco money has been lost because it could not be used. Other funding and land commitments have also lapsed. D2N2 have been supportive but were unable to fund the project because of European State Aid rules. Council announced that it was shelving the project. With the withdrawal from Europe we have a new opportunity.

The Council calls of officers from HPBC to work with DCC, D2N2, WBTC and businesses on Bingswood Industrial Estate to proceed with plans and seek funding for a new access to the Industrial Estate (The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bridge), The 2<sup>nd</sup> Bridge would help secure the future of the Industrial Estate and open up further land, which is currently sterile, for development, When rules on European State Funding no longer apply of Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 an oven ready plan should be in place to enable commencement of the project.

Councillor Greenhalgh moved and Councillor A McKeown seconded an amendment to add the following words to the end of the motion:

“subject to local business partnership and financial backing.”

When put to the meeting it was RESOLVED accordingly.

The meeting concluded at 8.25 pm

MAYOR