



**Heysham
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Council**

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**Executive Meeting
Wednesday 21st October 2009
Heysham Youth & Community Centre**

Start 19.30

In The Chair: Mr Peter Whaley - Chairman
Secretary: Mrs Allison Thomas

Members Present:

Kath McVernon, David Wilcock, Graeme Austin, Paul Mallett

1. Apologies

Sheila Hindson, Jean Yates, Janice Whaley, Sue Illingworth, Brian Reeves

2 Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd September 2009

At Heysham Youth & Community Centre were accepted as a true record, and were proposed by Mr David Wilcock and seconded by Mr Graeme Austin.

3. Matters arising from the minutes 23rd September 2009

Item 7. Car Boot went well with 60 exhibitors.

A.O.B: Heysham Library is offering local organisations the opportunity to have surgeries based there.

4. Planning

Mossgate Development - The application for two bowling greens has been approved.

5. Correspondence

- (a) A letter has been sent to Mr Martyn Butlin, British Energy asking for support funding for the Christmas Lights event.
- (b) An invitation letter has been sent out to the four local primary schools for the Christmas Lights event.

- © Email from Dr Gaw who has asked to speak about the proposed Mossgate medical centre at the October Quarterly Public Meeting.

6. Finance

The treasurer gave a report on the finances – which due to successful car boot events are looking positive.

Unfortunately the CO-OP rejected the recently submitted grant form advising that they (the CO-OP) cannot be involved with financing projects that should be covered by the local authority.

7. Events

(a) Car Show – positive feedback still being received about the event with plans for 2010 discussed confirming that the nominal charges for cars and bikes will be retained.

(b) Christmas Lights – This year there will be no procession to try and simplify the event, road closures will be in place.

8. H.A.T.S

Nothing new to report – will be on the QPM agenda. David Wilcock advised that he will be taking the dedicated H.A.T.S page off the web-site www.heyshamonline.co.uk and replacing with current local issues.

9. Mossgate

The Chairman read out his letter of response to a letter from a Mr Harrison that had been featured in The Visitor regarding the development.

‘I just need to clarify a couple of points from the letter in The Visitor this week from Mr Harrison.

Mr Harrison seems to think that this development is HNC’s project totally wrong, HNC are supporting this application after requests from Mossgate residents as to where the roof tax money is going to be spent and when, also the committee feel that Heysham needs this facility to improve health care and sporting facilities.

16 years ago in the Arndale Centre there was a 3 day presentation on the Mossgate Development and since then this project has always continued to move forward, at times significantly backwards, but this land has since planning consent was given always going to be developed. If you bought your house within that time scale your solicitor should have picked this up on a search.

Unfortunately HNC have no control over information given to them, we only try to keep residents aware and can only relay this information as received and try to clarify any points raised as we did when consulting with the bowlers.

HNC got an answer for the residents of Douglas Drive who wanted to but land not the answer they would have liked that is possibly why we have this discontent

10. AOB

(a) Mr Graeme Austin will contact Maxine Knagg - Tree Preservation Officer to have a look at the trees that edge the cricket club/car park, as there have been reports that many of the trees are dead and need felling.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.40pm

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____