



# Ripley Town Council

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## **MINUTES of Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 5.00pm RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Held online at 7.00 pm under the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.

In Attendance: Cllrs: D Williams (Chair), S. Freeborn, M. Gascoigne, N Weaving and Mrs C Worth.  
Also: L. McCormick - Town Clerk and H. Curzon – Deputy Clerk

### **AGENDA**

**050121/1. To receive apologies for absence – None received**

**050121/2. Variation of Order of Business – None required**

**050121/3. Declaration of Members Interests – None Declared**

**050121/4. Public speaking – No public**

**050121/5. Discuss Litter and Fly Tipping issues**

**RESOLVED** Ripley Town Council to communicate to community groups that we are happy to help them through grant applications to gain litter picking equipment.

**050121/6. Discuss Tree Planting**

**RESOLVED** Ripley Town Council to ask Allotment Associations to consider areas on their allotments where trees can be planted. Ripley Town Council to place a message in communications to residents asking them to consider planting a tree in their garden if they have room.

**050121/7. Revisit the revised and evolving Environmental, Climate and Biodiversity Action Plan**

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk and Management teamwork through the Action Plan and liaise with and update the Environment Committee.

**050121/8. River Starts Here Project – update**

Cllr Williams reported that the River Starts Here team and volunteers have done a great job on Ripley Greenway to stop excess water from Bottle Brook flooding the pathway.

Clerk suggested that the Committee suggest other areas in the Township, other than Ripley Greenway that the River Starts Here can carry out work on.

Cllr Freeborn suggests at the bottom of Bullbridge, near the new development there as the flood area has changed shape.

**RESOLVED** the Clerk contact the River Starts Here team and ask them to investigate potential project at Bullbridge.

**050121/9. Discuss the Pollution Watchdog / Outfall Safari Plus / Extended Outfall Safari Training Sessions**

**RESOLVED** Ripley Town Council to promote the app to report pollution to the local community.

**050121/10. Discuss RTC newsletter content**

**RESOLVED** to publicise environmental issues in every issue in the Ripley Town Council newsletter.

**Meeting closed at 5.57pm**

**The next Monthly Full Council Meeting will be held on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 7.00pm.**

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