

Ripley Town Council

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MINUTES OF OCTOBER 16TH 2018 MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

held at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Ripley.

Attendees; Cllr P. Lobley (Chair), and Cllrs R.P. Ashton, A. Bridge, S.D. Carter, Ms. L. Cox, C. Cutting, R. Emmas-Williams, Mrs S. Emmas-Williams, I. Fisher, Mrs. J Gregory, T. Holmes, Mrs L. Joyes, N. Weaving, M. Missett, D.A. Williams, M.C. Wilson and Mrs. C. Worth.

Members of the Public – three (including PC L. Sadler and PC R. Platts of Derbyshire Constabulary) Also L. McCormick (Town Clerk) and H. Curzon (Deputy Town Clerk)

161018/1 To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D Farrelly, S Freeborn and M Jones.

161018/2 Variation of Order of Business – None required

161018/3 Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr R Ashton declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 14, Greenwich Park – Ripley Town Council custodian Trustees as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the meeting.

Cllr S Carter declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 14, Greenwich Park – Ripley Town Council custodian Trustees as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the meeting.

Cllr T Holmes declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 14, Greenwich Park – Ripley Town Council custodian Trustees as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the meeting.

Cllr M Wilson declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 14, Greenwich Park – Ripley Town Council custodian Trustees as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the meeting.

161018/4 Public Speaking

Cllr Mrs. Sheila Emmas-Williams was interested to see the Police at the meeting. She reported to Council that she attended a meeting at Derbyshire Police Headquarters which was arranged through DALC. She proposed that the next Council meeting agenda should include Police communications with Ripley Town Council.

Cllr Roland Emmas-Williams reported that the Greenwich Park building is behind schedule. The Ripley Town Football Club race night was well attended and raised over £1000 to purchase white goods for the new community building. He congratulated Ripley Town Football Club for organising a great fundraising event.

PC Ruth Platts from the Ripley, Codnor and Waingroves Safer Neighbourhood Team apologised for not attending previous council meetings. The Police will endeavour to attend future meetings from now on and if they cannot, they will send a report to Ripley Town Council. PC Platts gave a report on crimes reported in August 2018 in Ripley Town Centre. She explained that the number of calls and incidents has dropped and that they have good relationships with the AVBC Community Safety team.

Cllr Holmes thanked the Police for attending and asked if the Public Protection Order has and any impact. PC Platts responded by saying that signage around the town is enforced with civil injunctions. Police are patrolling areas like the Greenway where people are drinking/ taking drugs.

Cllr Fisher thanked the Police on behalf of Ripley Town Council for attending the meeting and explained that anti-social behaviour is on our agenda.

Cllr Wilson said that social media, specifically the 'Spotted' pages have, in the past reported outrageous incidents of anti-social behaviour, but this seems to have changed for the better. He urged the Police to liaise with Ripley Town Council if we can assist.

Cllr Bridge said that 18 months ago there was a community meeting with the Police, but these have now ceased. PC Platts explained that with a change in Chief Constable, they were told not to attend.

Cllr Williams reported that a knife was found in the Manvers Street area of the town. Residents are concerned about Pit Top being used by drug dealers and users.

Cllr Roland Emmas-Williams asked if the Police office at the Town Hall is open during the week to the public. PC Platts responded that it is open but advised public should go to the main Police Headquarters or ring 101 if they want to report a crime or call 999 if they have an emergency.

Cllr Lobley thanked the Police for attending the meeting and asked them to liaise with their peers for other areas of the Township.

161018/5 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Meeting on 18th September 2018. RESOLVED to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

161018/6 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Grants Committee Meeting held on 14th September 2018 and accept the Recommendations therein. RESOLVED that the minutes and recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.

161018/7 To confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 5th October 2018. RESOLVED to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

161018/8 To confirm the Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee held on 12th October 2018 and accept the Recommendations therein. RESOLVED that the minutes and recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record. NOTED that Ripley Town Council write to the Auditors to express the lack of compliance with the deadline.

- 161018/9 To determine which additional items on any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. None required
- **161018/10 Town Mayors Announcements** Ripley Town Mayor, Cllr Lobley gave an update on his Mayoral engagements since the last meeting:

21st September – Young Carers Celebration at South Normanton
5th October – Annual Carers Ball
12th October – Ripley Town Football Club race night at Marehay Miners Welfare

13th October – First anniversary of the Stick 2 It craft shop in Ripley and in the afternoon attended St Luke's Church in Heage for a dedication service after recent renovation work.

14th October – High Sheriff's legal service at Derby Cathedral

161018/11 **Reports of the Town Clerk.**

a) Extreme Wheels

Cllr Fisher reported that the 2018 Skatejam was a success. He thanked the Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk for organising the events and said we are currently thinking about ideas for 2019.

b) Fair Dinner October 23rd 2018

Town Clerk reminded Councillors when the Fair Dinner is taking place.

c) Fair Opening 6.00pm October 24th 2018

Town Clerk reported that the Town Crier has been booked and the first ride on the dodgems is free.

161018/12 Certificate of Merit Award 2018 Winner

It was reported that this year's winner is Mrs. Jean Fardoe from Heage. She has raised £133,000 over 30 years for Action Medical Research by hosting a garden party at her home. She will be presented with her award at the Civic Service on 28th October 2018.

161018/13 **DALC Derbyshire Excellence Awards**

Cllr Fisher reported that representatives from Ripley Town Council were invited to the DALC AGM on 9th October 2018. We are thrilled to announce that out of 251 councils in Derbyshire, Ripley Town Council won the BHIB Derbyshire Local Council of the Year 2018.

161018/14 Greenwich Park – Ripley Town Council custodian Trustees

Cllr Fisher proposed that Ripley Town Council accept in principle, the custodian trusteeship of Greenwich Park Partnership Trust and consult with the Charities Commission, the community and seek legal advice.

RESOLVED that Ripley Town Council accept in principle, the custodian trusteeship of Greenwich Park Partnership Trust.

161018/15 **Planning Committee Clerk**

Cllr Fisher proposed we formalise the position of the Planning Clerk from a contractor to an employee of Ripley Town Council.

RESOLVED Planning Clerk to become an employee of Ripley Town Council.

161018/16 **Planning Applications**

None for discussion

161018/17 **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

- NONE
- Items for Information in the Information folder 161018/18 None
- Meeting Closed at 7.35pm 161018/19

Date of Next Council Meeting – 20th November 2018 at 7.00pm.