



## Ripley Town Council

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### **MINUTES of January 18<sup>th</sup> 2022 MONTHLY MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL**

of the Meeting of Ripley Town Council to be held at **7.00pm** on  
**January 18<sup>th</sup> 2022** in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley.

In Attendance: Cllrs: M Allwood, R Ashton, Ms. L Cox, R Emmas-Williams (Chair), I Fisher, S Freeborn, Mrs J Gregory, T Harper, T Holmes, L Joyes, P Lobley, P Moss, M Murray, D Williams, S Williams and M Wilson.

Also: L McCormick (Town Clerk), H Curzon (Deputy Clerk), one member of the Press and a member of the public.

#### **AGENDA**

##### **180122/1. To Receive Apologies for Absence – Cllr Spencer**

##### **180122/2. Variation of Order of Business**

**RESOLVED** to add an item to the agenda (Item 9a) to confirm the minutes of the Ripley Recreation Ground Charity Group Members Working Party Meeting held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (previously circulated).

##### **180122/3. Declaration of Members Interests**

Councillor Ashton declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Murray declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Lobley declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Moss declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Carter declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 13 and 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Harper declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 13 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Emmas-Williams declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 13 as a volunteer with Greenwich Park Sports Partnership. He remained in the meeting.

##### **180122/4. Public Speaking**

Councillor Lobley reported that the temporary traffic lights on Cromford Road in Ripley had stopped working over the weekend. A member of the public directed traffic on his own for two hours. This was appalling behaviour by the contractors and the Police as this was restricting access into the town centre.

**NOTED**

**180122/5. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Monthly Meeting on November 16th 2021** (previously circulated electronically)

**RESOLVED** to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

**180122/6. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup> 2021 and accept any resolutions and recommendations therein.** (previously circulated electronically).

**RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations and sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

**180122/7. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Finance & Management Committee Meeting December 17th 2021 and accept any resolutions and recommendations therein** (previously circulated electronically).

**RESOLVED** to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations.

**180122/8. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on January 7th 2022 and accept any resolutions and recommendations therein** (previously circulated electronically)

**RESOLVED** to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations.

**180122/9. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Finance & Management Committee Meeting January 14<sup>th</sup> 2022 and accept any resolutions and recommendations therein** (previously circulated electronically).

**RESOLVED** to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations.

**180122/9a. To confirm the minutes of the Ripley Recreation Ground Charity Group Members Working Party Meeting held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2022** (previously circulated).

**RESOLVED** to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations.

**180122/10. To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.**

**RESOLVED** in view of the confidential nature of item (21) the exclusion of the press and public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, in order to discuss the item.

**180122/11. Mayor Announcements:**

The Mayor congratulated Councillor Ian Fisher on his recent award of Highly Commended Councillor of the Year from the Derbyshire Association of Local Councils.

The Mayor and his Consort have attended the following events since the last meeting:

- Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2021 – The Ripley Town Council Civic Service at All Saints' Church, presenting the 2021 Certificate of Merit Award to Ripley resident, Martine Roebuck.
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021 – Switching on the Ripley Christmas Lights

- Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2021 – Officially opened the Nether Heage Neighbourhood Watch Group event at The Spanker pub.
- Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021 – Officially opened the Ripley Family Christmas Market.
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2021 – attended the wrapping of Christmas parcels at the Salvation Army in Ripley.
- Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2021 – attended a Carol Service at Marehay Methodist Church.

#### **180122/12. Town Clerk announcements:**

##### **a) Meeting held with Police**

The Town Clerk reported that herself and the Deputy Clerk had recently met with three Police Officers from the Ripley SNT team. The purpose of the meeting was to build closer working relationships with the team and learn about current crime trends in the Ripley area and initiatives they are working on to deter crime. It was discussed that the Police provide a regular report to Ripley Town Council regarding this and that both parties regularly share information from the public. The team will be holding more 'Cuppa with a Copper' events at Costa Coffee on Oxford Street over the coming months. They would like to encourage the community to sign up for Derbyshire Alert [www.derbyshirealert.co.uk](http://www.derbyshirealert.co.uk) The next meeting between the Ripley SNT and Ripley Town Council staff is on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Crime statistics can be found online at [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk)

**NOTED**

#### **180122/13. Greenwich Park Update**

Cllr Fisher gave an update informing Councillors that Ripley Town Council became the owners of the land at Greenwich Park on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022. He explained that directly after this meeting, there will be a meeting of the Ripley Recreation Ground Charity when Trustees for that charity will be appointed. Those Trustees will then have a meeting with Greenwich Park Sports Partnership via Zoom tomorrow to discuss the future of Greenwich Park.

**NOTED**

#### **180122/14. Discuss Representative for the Lower Derwent Flood Forum and Coppice Brook Walk**

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Weaving be Ripley Town Council's nominated representative to the Lower Derwent Flood Forum and the Coppice Brook Walk.

#### **180122/15. Local bus route / services update**

**RESOLVED** that Ripley Town Council write to Derbyshire County Council to request that they restore the bus service as soon as possible between Ambergate and Ripley. We appreciate current limitations however, our residents need to be able to travel around the Township.

#### **180122/16. Discuss Submitting Area of Reflection Planning Application to AVBC**

**RESOLVED** that Ripley Town Council seek planning permission from Amber Valley Borough Council for the proposed Area of Reflection on Ripley Greenway, near its junction with Albion Street in the town.

#### **180122/17. Discuss Precept Setting for 2022 / 2023 after Public Consultation**

**RESOLVED** Ripley Town Council accept the precept of £342,000 for 2022 / 2023 and send the relevant form to Amber Valley Borough Council to collect this money on our behalf.

**180122/18. Discuss Application for the Diversion of Un-numbered Public Footpath between Public Footpaths 127 and 149 in the Parish of Ripley – map previously circulated**

**RESOLVED** that Ripley Town Council ask Derbyshire County Council's Footpath Officers to put an alternative diversion footpath in place before the original one is closed.

**180122/19. Planning Applications – None to discuss**

**180122/20. 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.

**RESOLVED** in view of the confidential nature of item (21) the exclusion of the press and public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, in order to discuss the item.

**180122/21. Staff Salary Grading and Hours**

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk and Deputy Clerk go up a point on their salary scales and that the Deputy Clerk's weekly hours permanently increase immediately by 5 hours per week to 30 hours per week in total.

**180122/22. Meeting Closed at 7.36pm**

**Date for the Next Full Council Monthly Meeting February 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.00 pm.**

**RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL**

**BHIB AWARD WINNER FOR DERBYSHIRE COUNCIL OF THE YEAR 2020**

**BHIB AWARD WINNER FOR DERBYSHIRE COUNCIL OF THE YEAR 2018**

**BHIB HIGHLY COMMENDED WINNER FOR DERBYSHIRE COUNCIL OF THE YEAR 2019**

