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MINUTES of March 15th 2022 MONTHLY MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

of the Meeting of Ripley Town Council to be held at **7.00pm** on
March 15th 2022 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley.

In Attendance: Cllrs: M Allwood, R Ashton, S Carter, Ms. L Cox, I Fisher, S Freeborn, Mrs J Gregory, T Holmes, M Jones, L Joyes, P Lobley, M Murray, T Spencer, N Weaving (Chair), D Williams, and S Williams and M Wilson.

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

AGENDA

150322/1. To Receive Apologies for Absence – Cllrs Emmas-Williams, Harper and Worth.

150322/2. Variation of Order of Business - None

150322/3. Declaration of Members Interests

Councillor Ashton declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 13 as a member of the Ripley Hospital League of Friends and Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting for both items.

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

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

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

150322/4. Public Speaking

A member of the public spoke regarding two issues. Firstly, to report that Futures Housing had recently dug up grass to plant wildflowers. They had left the area muddy and looking a mess with mounds of grass still there and bollards. Secondly, to voice his concern regarding nothing being done about the limestone dust coming from the track up to Old Farm in Marehay. Some residents are unable to open their windows due to the dust. He reported it five years ago to Environmental Health at Amber Valley Borough Council to no avail.

Cllr Fisher responded saying that he sympathised with the member of the public, however Ripley Town Council has no legal powers to assist with these issues. He advised the member of the public to talk to Amber Valley Borough Council again.

150322/5. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Monthly Meeting on February 15th 2022 (previously circulated electronically)

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

150322/6. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Employment Committee Meeting on February 25th 2022 and accept recommendations therein.

The Council noted that this meeting was cancelled due to not being quorate.

150322/7. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on March 4th 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.

150322/8. To confirm the confidential minutes of the Employment Committee meeting on March 7th 2022 and accept any recommendations therein (previously circulated electronically)

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

150322/9. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Finance & Management Committee Meeting March 11th 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.

150322/10. To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

NONE

150322/11. Mayor Announcements:

As the Mayor was absent from the meeting, the announcements will be given at the April Full Council meeting.

150322/12. Town Clerk announcements:

a) Town Clerk / RFO Vacancy

The Clerk reported that she is retiring and that the vacancy for her post has been advertised. Cllr Lobley wanted to record his thanks to the Town Clerk for her work and commitment to Ripley Town Council.

b) Reminder to Councillors to regularly check their RTC emails for meeting summons' and to send apologies to the Clerk if they are unable to attend.

The Clerk reminded Councillors to read their RTC emails regularly, so they are kept abreast of meeting summons' and information that is circulated.

c) Member of the Public requests to the Town Clerk to respond to

The Clerk asked Councillors to send requests from members of the public, directly to her to respond to on behalf of the Council.

150322/13. Ripley Hospital / Butterley Ward update

RESOLVED for Ripley Town Council to update residents in the newsletter and social media that the Butterley Ward is due to reopen in April 2022. There are currently no plans for Butterley Ward or Ripley Hospital to close.

150322/14. Discuss Historic Buildings Commemoration Plaques – List of buildings to date, previously circulated

RESOLVED for the list of buildings to have commemorative plaques, to be discussed at the Heritage Committee meeting on 8th April 2022.

150322/15. Discuss Heage Educational Trust

RESOLVED that Ripley Town Council write to the Chief Executive of Foundation Derbyshire seeking assurance and a promise that all funds of the Heage and Ambergate Educational Trust is spent in accordance with the objectives of the Trust – to spend money in Heage, Ambergate and the wider Ripley Township. Also ask Foundation Derbyshire to accord Ripley Town Council at least one 'seat' on the Foundation Derbyshire Panel being established to manage the Trustee-type functions.

150322/16. Neighbourhood Plan review update – Consultation Date March 27th 2022, 1pm – 4.30pm at Greenwich Community Centre

Cllr Freeborn reported that a revised date for the consultation is Saturday 9th April 2022, 1pm-4.30pm at Greenwich Community Centre.

NOTED

150322/17. Planning Applications – None to discuss

150322/18. 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 required**

150322/19. Meeting Closed at 7.30pm

Date for the Next Full Council Monthly Meeting April 19th 2022 at 7.00 pm.

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