

## MINUTES OF February 21<sup>st</sup> 2012 MONTHLY MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

**Present;** Cllr M Missett (in the Chair)

Cllrs R P Ashton, D Bowley, A Bridge, Ms L D Cox, S D Freeborn, M B Gent, M J Godfrey, Mrs J H Gregory, T Holmes, M G Jones, R A P Phillips-Forsyth, Mrs A S Ward, D T Ward, D A Williams, M Wilson and Mrs C Worth.

In attendance: 6 members of the public, press and the Clerk.

### AGENDA

#### **PART I – NON CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**5835. To receive apologies for absence** Cllrs: K Buzzard, C Cutting, S M Daley and S Joynes

**5836. Variation of Order of Business**

**RESOLVED** to start public speaking with 4c) next 4b) then 4a) and 4d)

**5837.** Declaration of Members Interests Cllr RAP Phillips—Forsyth declared a personal interest in item 4d) Coppice Farm as a resident and would remain in the meeting

Cllr Mrs A S Ward declared a personal interest in item 14. Community Grants as a member of Ambergate Carnival Committee and would remain in the meeting

Cllr Mrs C Worth declared a personal interest in item 14. Community Grants as a member of Ambergate Carnival Committee and would remain in the meeting

Cllr M B Gent declared a personal interest in item 14. Community Grants as a member of Ambergate Carnival Committee and would remain in the meeting

**5838. Public speaking**

Public speaking - **RESOLVED** to suspend standing orders until 8.00pm

Cllr M Wilson spoke of the need for traffic calming in Marehay, there had been a meeting of residents where 50 people attended, there have been three near fatalities since May 2011 the Police have said "it is worthy of a look"

Cllr A Bridge spoke of Cedar Avenue being a diabolical road and with the cars parked both sides of the road emergency vehicles cannot get through.

Cllr D A Williams spoke of the Police recruitment freeze being ended and asked if this could mean Ripley could have a PCSO replaced that was lost in 2010.

Cllr R P Ashton spoke of asking Derbyshire County Council 18 months ago if they would paint yellow lines on Cedar Avenue to stop the parking problem, however, was told that if they did this there would have to be more yellow lines in the area which would mean residents would not be able to park — the answer could be a consultation of the residents.

Mrs Hogben asked if the hanging baskets in the town could have suitable plants for benefit to butterflies and bees as there are serious reducing numbers of these insects.

Cllr S D Freeborn spoke of this could be discussed with the supplier and play areas and green areas could be looked at o plant native plants and wild flower meadows.

Mrs Wincott spoke of the residents on Newland Close Ripley regarding the snow and freezing weather and there being no grit I salt bin, the youngest resident is 68 years of age and they suffer badly in these conditions.

Cllr S D Freeborn responded stating that supplying grit bins are not the function of this Town Council, though they have supplied some in the past, the costs are difficult as the cost to install and then added to this the cost of filling the grit bins becomes very costly. Ripley Town Council Receive no Government funding unlike Amber Valley Borough Council and Derbyshire County Council do receive funding. The Town Council could look at this in future months and the Council will come back to this item.

Cllr M B Gent stated that Amber Valley Borough Council have filled around 40 grit bins, Derbyshire County Council have a responsibility to supply these bins with grit! salt as they have

the responsibility of highways. There is a road in Heage Moorlands Road a very steep road with no grit bin.

Cllr Gent has been approached by a local business man to install a notice board on the Tom Williams Playing Field and would like a quality notice board installed.

Cllr S D Freeborn stated that Cllr M B Gent would liaise with the Clerk re the notice board.

Hallam Land Management gave a presentation regarding Coppice Farm Ripley to construct 400 houses but after the consultation this has been reduced to 350 and the Councillors and public entered into a question and answer session, regarding the many concerns including Traffic, bus route, play areas, green belt land and employment.

Cllr Freeborn thanked the speakers for attending and giving the members of the Council and E public the opportunity to ask questions, the Town Council have just established a Neighbourhood Plan and it is strategically important for joined up thinking and bringing these plans together. Points made by the members of the public were very strong and buffering is very important and the Green Belt must stay as Green Belt it has been great to have consultation. Back into standing orders at 8.00pm

**5839. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on January 17<sup>th</sup> 2012** previously circulated

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

**5840. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting held on January 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012** previously circulated

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

**5841. To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.** NONE

**5842. Town Mayor's Announcements** the Mayor had attended the Showman's Guild dinner and the Morris Men Ale Fest with Amber Valley Borough Council Mayor Cllr R Ashton who took part in the Morris Dancing.

**5843. Report of the Town Clerk on: -**

**a) Newsletter Printer and Delivery quotations received**

**RESOLVED** to accept the quotation from Phase Printing E463.58 + vat per issue and to accept the quotation from JPW Distribution £455.00 for solus delivery of the newsletter

**b) Hanging Baskets: tenders received**

**RESOLVED** to accept the quotation from Plant Scape £4186.00 + vat for the installation and maintenance of hanging baskets

**c) Amber Valley Borough Council Planning letter sent to Cllr J Anderson regarding**

**AVAI2011I0491 update** — Deferred until the March meeting for the Clerk to issue to all Cllrs copies of the document received from D Stafford of Amber Valley Borough Council

**d) Cedar Avenue Play Area**

**RESOLVED** the Clerk is to contact Groundwork Trust and discuss possibilities for play Equipment

**e) DCC a new youth offer- Stakeholder Event**

**RESOLVED** Cllr Freeborn would confer with Cllrs for a representative to attend

**f) Porterhouse Road Play Area**

**RESOLVED** the Clerk is to contact Groundwork Trust and discuss possibilities for play Equipment

**g) Clerk to attend 'Securing the Future of our Natural Environment' on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2012 in London.** - Item for report

**h) DCC Moving Forward** — a healthy future for local transport item for report any questions

email: [cathy.hobbs@derbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:cathy.hobbs@derbyshire.gov.uk)

**i) War Memorials at Heage St Luke's Church quotations received and DCC Roll of Honour on War Memorials**

**RESOLVED** to accept the quotation from Hoult's Memorials E7233.00 inc of vat the Clerk will confirm that Heage Church will cut back the branches which are creating some of the algae on the memorial.

j) Heage Allotments have asked for a grant of £200.00 for a skip

**RESOLVED** to grant the £200.00 for the skip cheque

k) Amber Valley Borough Council Waste survey at:

[www.surl/eymonkey.com/s/DontWasteYourChance](http://www.surl/eymonkey.com/s/DontWasteYourChance) item for report

5844. **Events meeting January 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012:** Recommendations from the Events Committee  
**RESOLVED** to accept the recommendations other than to change the date for this year from May 20<sup>th</sup> 2012 to May 27<sup>th</sup> 2012 and in future years the event will be held the third Sunday in May

5845. **Neighbourhood Plan open meeting February 7<sup>th</sup> 2012:** Report from meeting  
Cllr S D freeborn gave a report stating he was pleased with the attendance and the steering group to put forward the draft neighbourhood plan but needed people from the local businesses to attend. Next meeting February 28<sup>th</sup> 2012 in the Council Chamber at 7.00pm

5846. **Ripley “Gateway” scheme:** heard at full Council AVBC and passed: for information

5847. **DCC invitation to the next Liaison Forum on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2012 6pm – 8pm at County Hall Matlock.**

**RESOLVED** Cllr S D Freeborn would attend on behalf of the Town Council .

5848. **Community Event Grants (additional item)**

**RESOLVED** to give three specific grants in the 2012 financial year: Ambergate Carnival £500.00 — Waingroves Show £500.00 and Marehay Show E500.00

5849. **Accounts for payment/Income** cheques to be approved and signed

**RESOLVED** to approve and sign the cheques Lamps & Tubes been given notice and the Christmas Lights would go out to tender for 2012 —agenda item for March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting

<b>Cheque No</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>AT</b>	<b>Total</b>
503602	Ripley Town Mayor	£319.35		£319.35
503603/04	L McCormick Clerk salary PAYE costs	£1006.22		£1006.22
503606	Amber Valley Borough Council copying	£7.80		£7.80
503607	L McCormick Rail / tube Ticket London 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2012	£122.35		£122.35
503608	Gov Net Communications delegate ticket for Seminar	£276.25	£55.25	£331.50
503609	AVB Council Office rent January 2012	£200.00	£40.00	£240.00
503610	AVB Council Office rent– February 2012	£300.00	£60.00	£360.00
503611	Shelter Maintenance Company clean bus shelter	£5.94	£1.19	£7.13
503612	SLCC subscription renewal part payment	£81.00		£81.00
503613	AVBC for clean up left from Christmas Tree removal	£169.50	£33.90	£203.40
503614	AVBC Licence application for Spring Event	£21.00		£21.00
503615	The Blend grant	£980.00		£980.00
		<b>£3489.41</b>	<b>£190.34</b>	<b>£3679.75</b>
<b>Income</b>				
	DCC Book sales			£2.28
	DCC Book sales			£4.56
	Civic Dinner Payments received			£319.35
				<b>£326.19</b>

5850. **Planning Applications** separate sheet previously circulated

TRE/2011/0142 Crown reduce Oak Tree (amended from application to fell tree)

5851. **Items for Information:-**

**PART 2 – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS** None identified

5852. Date for next monthly Meeting: **Monthly Town Council Meeting March 20<sup>th</sup> 2012 at 7.00pm**