



# Ripley Town Council

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## MINUTES OF JANUARY 16<sup>TH</sup> 2018 MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

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

Attendees; Cllr Mrs S Emmas Williams (Chair), and Cllrs R.P. Ashton, A. Bridge, S.D. Carter, Ms L.D. Cox, R. Emmas-Williams, I. Fisher, S.D. Freeborn, Mrs J.H. Gregory, M.G. Jones, P. Lobley, M.J. Missett, D.A. Williams, and M. Wilson.

Members of the Public

Helen Aldridge – Dementia Friendly Communities Co-ordinator

L. McCormick (Town Clerk)

D. Townsend

### 160118/1 To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies of absence were received from C. Cutting, D. Farrelly, T. Holmes, N. Weaving and Mrs C. Worth.

### 160118/2 Variation of Order of Business

None

### 160118/3 Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr R. Emmas-Williams declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 13 (c) as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the Meeting.

Cllr R. Ashton declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 13 (c) as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the Meeting.

### 160118/4 Public Speaking

Cllr Wilson spoke about his concern over the relocation of Castle Clay Shooting Club in Marehay. He pointed out that there had been very little consultation with local Residents, and that he considered there to be issues surrounding safety and suitability of the site. He would continue to monitor the site and support Residents where possible.

Cllr I. Fisher declared a personal interest in this Item as a Trustee of Marehay Cricket Club, but would remain in the Meeting.

A local Resident who lived in close proximity to the new Shooting Club site added that no advance warning was given before a shoot took place, and that there had been no consultation.

It was requested that this matter be added to the Agenda for the next Meeting of the Town Council for discussion.

Cllr Harry (AVBC) stated that she was concerned over the difficulty of contacting Ripley Town Council by telephone. In addition, she asked when the noticeboard for Waingroves would be erected. Cllr Harry's concerns were noted, and The Town Clerk was asked to progress the matter of the noticeboard as soon as possible.

Cllr Gregory spoke of her disappointment that Derbyshire County Council were withdrawing their financial support from the Unemployed Workers Centres. She added that these were a vital resource and would be greatly missed.

Helen Aldridge (Dementia Friendly Communities Co-ordinator) gave an overview of the work her organisation was carrying out to encourage more understanding and positive contact with dementia patients. She was already working in Ripley and had experienced very positive responses from local businesses. She asked the Town Council if they would facilitate some Dementia Friends Awareness Training.

Cllr Freeborn responded that the Town Council would host a 45 minute training session following the next Town Council Meeting on 20th February, 2018 between 7.45 pm – 8.30 pm.

**160118/5 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2017.**

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

**160118/6 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Extraordinary Meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017.**

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

**160118/7 To confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017, and accept the Recommendations therein.**

**RESOLVED that the Minutes and Recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.**

**160118/8 To confirm the Minutes of the Town Council's Finance and Management Committee Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017, and accept the Recommendations therein.**

**RESOLVED that the Minutes and Recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.**

**160118/9 To confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2018, and accept the Recommendations therein.**

**RESOLVED that the Minutes and Recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.**

**160118/10 To confirm the Minutes of the Town Council's Finance and Management Committee Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018, and accept the Recommendations therein.**

**RESOLVED that the Minutes and Recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.**

**160118/11 To determine which additional items on any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.**

None.

**160118/12 Town Mayors Announcements**

Ripley Town Mayor, Cllr Mrs. S. Emmas-Williams, gave an update on her Mayoral engagements since the last Meeting;

- 26<sup>th</sup> November – Ripley Civic Service
- 30<sup>th</sup> November – Ripley Hospital Christmas Lights Switch-on
- 1<sup>st</sup> December – Ripley Town Council Christmas Lights Switch-on

- 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Ripley Hospital Christmas Fair
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Ripley Family Christmas Market
- 9<sup>th</sup> December – Official Opening of ‘The Fabric Cabin’ in Ripley
- 10<sup>th</sup> December – Amber Gold Carol Service at All Saints, Ripley
- 11<sup>th</sup> December – Swanwick Civic and Village Carol Service at St Andrew’s Church
- 13<sup>th</sup> December – Opened new Argos store at Sainburys
- 13<sup>th</sup> December – Salvation Army – donated parcels and helped with packing
- 14<sup>th</sup> December – Derbyshire Carers Celebration Service at Chesterfield
- 15<sup>th</sup> December – Lons School Carol Service
- 15<sup>th</sup> December – Somercotes Civic/Carol Service
- 21<sup>st</sup> December – Cheque presentation for £200.00 raised from Civic Service to DASG
- 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Ripley Hospital Christmas Carols for In-patients
- 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018 – Cheque Presentation for £200.00 raised from Civic Service to AVALD Group
- 12<sup>th</sup> January – Showman’s Guild Annual Lunch

### **160118/13 Reports of the Town Clerk on:-**

#### **a) Christmas Market Report**

It was reported that the Family Christmas Market went ahead on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. This was a very successful event, which attracted lots of visitors into the Town. A review of this event would be undertaken at the next Events Committee Meeting, along with planning for the following year.

#### **b) Christmas Lights Switch-on Report**

It was reported that the lights had been exceptional, and thanks were recorded for all those involved in their provision.

#### **c) Greenwich Park/Nottingham Road Funding Update**

It was reported that work continued to be ongoing for this project.

#### **d) Grosvenor Road Update**

It was reported that a Planning Application had been submitted, and prices were awaited from Contractors for the refurbishment of the proposed Office. It was intended that the new premises would be open 10 am – 3 pm Monday to Friday (subject to operational feasibility), which, in response to comments made under Minute Number 160118/4, would assist in making the Town Council more accessible and contactable.

#### **e) Grant Awards**

A thank you letter was received from Midland Railway Trust.

### **160118/14 Precept and Budget Setting 2018/2019**

Cllr Lobley gave an overview of the proposed budget and precept requirement. He reported that this introduced a modest increase of 10p per week per household (based on a Band D property). The total Precept requirement was £277,000.

**RESOLVED that the Budget, as presented, for 2018/2019 be agreed, and a Precept of £277,000 be requested, which equated to an increase of 10p per week per household, based on a Band D property.**

### **160118/15 Planning Applications**

None for discussion.

### **160118/16 Items in the Information Folder**

DALC General Circular; Christmas Card (Carousel Craft Group), Dementia Friends Information, WW1 Centenary 1918-2018 Information, thank you email from Waingroves Community for Christmas Lights.

**160118/17 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.

**160118/18 To confirm the Exempt Minutes of the Town Council's Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2017, and accept the Recommendations therein.**

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

**160118/19 To confirm the Exempt Minutes of the Town Council's Extraordinary Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017, and accept the Recommendations therein.**

**RESOLVED that the Minutes and Recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.**

**160118/20 To confirm the Exempt Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2018, and accept the Recommendations therein.**

There were no Exempt Minutes for this Meeting.

**Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next Meeting of Ripley Town Council was confirmed as 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018.