

MINUTES MARCH 17th 2015 MONTHLY MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Attendees Cllrs: R P Ashton, A Bridge, L D Cox, C Cutting, S D Freeborn, R Emmas-Williams (in the Chair), D Farrelly, Mrs J H Gregory, T Holmes, A Johnston, M J Missett, A Tester, D A Williams, M Wilson and Mrs C Worth

Three members of the public, two members of the Police Force, member of the Press and the Town Clerk

AGENDA

6973. To receive apologies for absence – Cllrs S M Daley, M J Godfrey, Mrs I Harry, M G Jones, Mrs A S Ward and D T Ward

6974. Variation of Order of Business – None required

6975. Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr R Emmas-Williams declared a personal interest in the following items as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting – 8 j) Discuss Notice Board for the Town Hall – 8 k) Ripley Town Council taking over the Old Town Hall – and declared a personal interest in the following items as a member of the Cricket Club 8 m) Marehay Cricket Club request for funding help

Cllr D Farrelly declared a personal interest in the following items as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting – 8 j) Discuss Notice Board for the Town Hall – 8 k) Ripley Town Council taking over the Old Town Hall

Cllr D Williams declared a personal interest in the following item as a member of Derbyshire County Council and would remain in the meeting – 8 b) Bus Shelters and 8 f) as a member of Pentrich and South Wingfield Revolution Group

Cllr A Bridge declared a personal interest in the following item as a relative lives near the site and would remain in the meeting – 10) AVA/2014/1106 for Lidl Ltd, Chapel Street, Ripley

Cllr Ms L D Cox declared a personal interest in the following items as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting – 8 j) Discuss Notice Board for the Town Hall – 8 k) Ripley Town Council taking over the Old Town Hall

Cllr Ms L D Cox declared a pecuniary interest in the following item as her home adjoins the site and would leave the meeting – 10) AVA/2014/1106 for Lidl Ltd, Chapel Street, Ripley

Cllr T Holmes declared a personal interest in the following items as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting – 8 j) Discuss Notice Board for the Town Hall – 8 k) Ripley Town Council taking over the Old Town Hall

Cllr T Holmes declared a pecuniary interest in the following item as his home adjoins the site and would leave the meeting – 10) AVA/2014/1106 for Lidl Ltd, Chapel Street, Ripley

Cllr M Wilson declared a personal interest in the following items as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and would remain in the meeting – 8 j) Discuss Notice Board for the Town Hall – 8 k) Ripley Town Council taking over the Old Town Hall –

Cllr M Wilson declared a pecuniary interest in the following item as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council Planning Board and would leave the meeting - 10) AVA/2014/1106 for Lidl Ltd, Chapel Street, Ripley

6976. Public speaking –

Cllr D Williams spoke of the Pentrich & South Wingfield Revolution Group and the progress they are making with funding and the group interests and proposed projects.

Two representatives of the Pentrich & South Wingfield Revolution Group asking for support from the RTC for funding and possible volunteers who may wish to join the group. There are also plans for at least two information boards in Ripley, one at Butterley and one on Chapel Street where the last survivor of the revolution lived, possibly three if one is sited at Greenwich. *Agenda item for the April RTC meeting*

A resident spoke of the Ripley Neighbourhood Plan and the Inspectors comments also the AVBC wording in the document needs checking / amending at the Inspectors discretion.

Cllr S Freeborn this is an item for discussion on the agenda later.

Cllr S Freeborn thanked the representatives of the Pentrich & South Wingfield Revolution Group for attending and hoped they would attend the Events meeting as this is the best forum to focus the projects and the Clerk would send a grant application form to them.

The Police gave a report and spoke of the possible double yellow lines to be sited on Ferrers Way in

the near future to help with the parking problem.

Crossley Street residents had complained about not being able to park and the Police were looking into the problem and had local businesses on board and all felt that more road markings and signage from DCC would help alleviate the problem.

New to Ripley is a Picnic in the Park this August in Crossley Park with games and light refreshments. The RMF the Police are communicating with Cllr M Wilson.

The Police had visited the Junior School regarding safety and the children will be creating their own posters, Cllrs are invited to attend too.

Cllr R Ashton asked if there could be a residents parking scheme for Crossley Street?

Cllr S Freeborn responded with the information that this had been looked into in the past, but to get a parking scheme all residents have to be 100% in favour.

Cllr D Farrelly asked the Police about the Speed Watch Scheme and if the rules had changed?

The Police responded stating they would check and inform Cllr Farrelly.

6977. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Monthly Meeting February 17th 2015, the Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting February 27th 2015 and Planning Committee Meeting March 6th 2015 (circulated)

RESOLVED to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record

6978. 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 (13 Clerk's Annual Review) to consider a resolution to exclude 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."

6979. Town Mayor's Announcements – February 18th 2015 attended Greenhillocks Fellowship meeting – February 24th 2015 spent the evening at the Seafish Restaurant handing out meals in the take away shop raising funds for the Mayor's Charity – February 25th 2015 Official visit to Forbo Flooring with the Mayor & Mayoress of Amber Valley Borough Council to view the factory – March 1st 2015 attended Codnor Parish Council Civic Service – March 5th 2015 attended a function at Ambergate Cricket Club to celebrate the purchase of the cricket ground – March 6th 2015 officially opened Heage Toilets with Mr Maurice Gent – March 9th 2015 attended a ceremony in the Town Hall to commemorate the centenary of the First World War – March 13th 2015 attended a Seminar on the Great British High Street Belper

6980. Report of the Town Clerk on: -

- a) **Neighbourhood Plan** – update – Cllr S Freeborn reported that the N Plan referendum would not be held on May 7th 2015 with the elections, but has been assured by AVBC it would be held in June 2015. The resident who spoke in the Public Speaking regarding her comments, the letter would be passed on to AVBC and there would be dialogue with the Planning Inspector and Cllr Freeborn gave assurance that there would no changes that would be made to the text as this has to be in line with the Planning Inspectors comments.
- b) **Bus Shelters** – the Clerk reported that the first of the two bus shelters had been installed on Victory Avenue and would inform the Council when the second one had been installed. The other bus shelters were ordered and awaiting installation.
- c) **Heage Toilets** – now officially opened – **item for report**
- d) **Standing Orders and Financial Regulations review** – recommendations from Working Party – Cllr S Freeborn reported that this is still a work in progress and the consolidated documents would be presented for the April RTC meeting
- e) **Village Hall at Heage asking for a grant towards a new toilet block** – funding is also being sought from Veolia and Garfield Weston Foundation the total cost is £70,000 – further information circulated **RESOLVED** to wait until the large funding applications have been responded to and then consider this application at that time
- f) **Pentrich & South Wingfield Revolution Group 1817 – 2017** Representatives invited to the Events

Meeting but did not attend

RESOLVED to invite the representatives to the April Events meeting

- g) **Full Council AVBC and Parish & Town Council Elections** – for information AVBC had voted to maintain the status quo regarding the elections
- h) **Quotations for grass cutting and litter picking Cedar Avenue and Porterhouse Road Play Areas 2015 / 2016** – Company A not quoting – B £1608.92 – C £540.00
RESOLVED to accept the quotation from company C which is Derbyshire County Council
- i) **Discuss request from a resident for a wooden notice board near the Spa shop Park Road Heage**
RESOLVED for Cllrs R Emma-Williams, T Tester, S Freeborn and the Clerk would look at the proposal and report back to the RTC
- j) **Discuss Notice Board for the Town Hall wall (subject to AVBC will approval) approximate cost £1032 + vat inc vinyl lettering and delivery)**
RESOLVED for Cllrs R Emma-Williams, T Tester, S Freeborn and the Clerk would look at the proposal and report back to the RTC
- k) **Ripley Town Council taking over the Old Town Hall** (Cllr R Ashton)
This was discussed and comments were that the reason the RTC were originally trying to take over the Old Town Hall was because the previous administration had put the Old Town Hall up for sale whereas the new administration were not intending to sell the Old Town Hall
- l) **Newsletter out for delivery** – new, more local, delivery company found
RESOLVED to try the new local company for the next newsletter / leaflet delivery and Cllrs reported other areas where the newsletters had not been delivered by the company being used at present, however, since the Clerk had complained to the company about the delivery there had been duplicated deliveries but there were still many residents who had not received the newsletter and this is not acceptable
- m) **Marehay Cricket Club request for funding help** – document circulated
RESOLVED for the RTC to give a grant of £500.00 and ask that the grant be used toward the help and encouragement for young children to be involved in the sport

6981. Accounts for payment / Income cheques to be approved and signed

RESOLVED to agree and sign the cheques

Cheque No	Payee	£	VAT	Total
503993	L McCormick salary HMRC PAYE 503994	£1,433.44		£1,433.44
503995	W G Pollard Time locks to Heage Toilets	£1,585.00	£317.00	£1,902.00
503996	DCC interim invoice bus shelters for 6 bus shelters	£10,103.96	£2,020.79	£12,124.75
503997	PHS Heage Toilets Services	£471.16	£94.23	£565.39
503998	Wallgate – Market Place toilets hand dryer service contract	£588.00	£111.60	£699.60
503999	Staples filing cabinets, cupboard, chairs etc for RTC office	£575.52	£115.10	£690.62
504000	Keptkleen Market Place Toilets wks 6/ 7 / 8 / 9	£312.00		£312.00
504001	Phase Print Ltd newsletter A4 printing	£854.44		£854.44
504002	L McCormick Cartridges , photo paper, laminating pouches	£75.90		£75.90
504003	AVBC Grass Cutting 2014/2015 Play Areas	£1306.31	£261.26	£1567.57
504004	Derby Cathedral Chapter Burma Star Ass Hymn Sheets Grant	£100.00		£100.00
504005	AVBC Bond for Spring Festival	£250.00		£250.00
504006	WG Pollard repair to disabled access toilet lock Market Place	£110.00	£22.00	£132.00
	Total	£17765.73	£2941.98	£20707.71
Income				
	Civic Dinner payments			£280.00
	Total			£280.00

6982. Planning Applications – previously circulated

a) **AVA/2014/1106** Amended Plan Lidl Ltd Chapel Street Ripley

RESOLVED to object to the application stating that the ingress and egress to the site is highly dangerous and there are still major concerns regarding the height of the building overshadowing the properties on Wall Street

6983. Items for Information in the Information Folder - DALC Circulars 05/2015 – 06/2015 – Council Tax Support Grant Tapering – Amber Valley CVS Community News – Clerks & Councils Direct magazine – Unipart working with local authorities' road safety partnership – AVBC Pre-Election Period – Clerk magazine - - CVS Community News - **Noted**

6984. Employment matters – update from Employment Group – there is to be a final meeting of the Employment Group and recommendations will be available for the April RTC meeting - for information

6985. Clerks annual review of pay and conditions of service – recommendations from Employment Committee

RESOLVED to agree the annual increment award on the new pay scale

6986. Date for the next monthly meeting April 14th 2015 (TBC) at 7.00pm