

MINUTES May 27th 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

To: The Town Mayor and Members 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, M J Godfrey, Mrs J H Gregory, Mrs I Harry, T Holmes, M G Jones, M J Missett, A Tester, Mrs A S Ward, D T Ward, D A Williams (arrived at 7.45pm), M Wilson and Mrs C Worth plus the new Cllr A Johnston
6 members of the public, 1 member of the Press and the Clerk

AGENDA

6839. To elect a Town Mayor for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED to elect Cllr R Emmas-Williams as Mayor for the ensuing year

6840. The Town Mayor to take and sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Office

RESOLVED the declaration was read and signed

6841. Vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor

RESOLVED a vote of thanks was given to Cllr A Bridge for his very busy year and his ambassadorial role for the Ripley Town Council

6842. To elect a Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year

RESOLVED to elect Cllr A Tester as Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year

6843. The Deputy Town Mayor to take and sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

RESOLVED the declaration was read and signed

6844. To receive apologies for absence – Cllrs: S M Daley and M Wilson

6845. Variation of Order of Business – None required

6846. Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr R Emmas-Williams declared a personal interest in the following items and would remain in the meeting – 15h) Financial Grants – Waingroves Community Association – Ripley & District Twinning – Ripley OAP

Cllr Mrs C Worth declared a personal interest in the following item and would remain in the meeting – 15h) Financial Grants – Ambergate Carnival

Cllr S D Freeborn declared a personal interest in the following item and would remain in the meeting – 15h) Financial Grants – Waingroves Community Association

6847. Public speaking – None

6849. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Meeting April 15th 2014, Special Meeting May 6th 2014, Planning Meeting May 6th 2014 and Events committee meeting May 8th 2014 (circulated)

RESOLVED to sign all the minutes as true and accurate records

6850. To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

If the Council decides to exclude the public it will be necessary to pass a resolution in the following terms: - "In view of the confidential nature of item **19** 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."

RESOLVED to discuss item 19 Employment Matters in confidential session

6851. Welcome to new Councillor

RESOLVED to co-opt A Johnston as there had been no call for an election and A Johnston was the only applicant

6852. New Councillor to sign and read the acceptance of office

RESOLVED the declaration was read and signed

6853. To appoint the under mentioned Sub-Committees/Internal Auditors: -

RESOLVED to appoint as below

a) Planning Committee

Cllrs R Emmas-Williams, A Tester, Ms L D Cox, T Holmes, A Johnston and two from the Conservatives to be named

Terms of Reference: To make recommendations to Full Council on Planning Applications and associated matters

b) Allotments Committee

Cllrs R Emmas-Williams, A Tester, D Williams, M J Missett, A Bridge and two from the Conservatives to be named

Terms of Reference: To make recommendations to Full Council on management and supervision of Allotments and associated matters of the five allotment sites

c) Financial Grants Panel

Cllrs R Emmas-Williams, A Tester, S Daley, M Jones, Mrs J H Gregory, C Cutting and two from the Conservatives to be named

Terms of Reference: To make recommendations to Full Council on the allocation of grants within the approved budget for the year

d) Certificate of Merit Committee

Cllrs R Emmas-Williams, A Tester, R Ashton and Mr T England

Terms of Reference: To make recommendations to Full Council regarding the Annual Certificate of Merit winner, having considered the nominations submitted following the public advertisement

e) Events Committee

Cllrs R Emmas-Williams, A Tester, Ms L D Cox, T Holmes, J H Gregory and two from the Conservatives to be named

Terms of Reference: To make recommendations to Full Council on events and associated matters

f) To Confirm the Appointment of Two Internal Auditors

Cllrs M J Misset and D Williams

Terms of Reference: To inspect the Council's accounts on a twice yearly basis

g) Finance and Management Committee

Cllrs S Freeborn, Ms L D Cox, R Ashton and T Tester

Terms of Reference: To make recommendations to Full Council on events and associated matters

h) To Appoint Representatives to outside bodies:

- Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Executive Committee – Cllr Ms L D Cox
- Ripley and District Heritage Trust - Cllr T Tester
- Ripley and District Town Twinning Association – Cllr M J Missett
- Waingroves Community Association – Cllrs Mrs I Harry and R Emmas-Williams
- Heage Windmill Society – Cllr A Johnston
- Ripley Business Engagement Forum – Cllrs D Williams, T Holmes and S Freeborn
- Amber Valley Local Plan Forum – Cllrs A Bridge and Ms L D Cox
- Cinderhill Liaison Group – Cllrs S Freeborn and Mrs A S Ward
- Ripley Heritage Action Group – Cllrs A Bridge, S Freeborn, s L D Cox, T Holes, D Williams and two from the Conservatives one to be Cllr R Ashton and one to be named

- Amber Valley Access – Cllr S Daley
- Police Parish / Town Liaison meetings – Cllrs A Bridge and D Farrelly
- William Holmes Court Almshouses and the Ernest Joseph Ellis Fermor Charity – **Cllr R Emmas-Williams and Mr Ian Fisher till 2018**
- Amber Valley Parish Liaison Committee – Cllrs S Freeborn and Mrs C Worth
- Derwent Valley Mills Partnership – Cllrs D Farrelly and M J Missett
- Derwent Valley Line Community Rail Partnership - Cllrs D Farrelly and M J Missett
- Ripley Regeneration Board – Cllrs R Emmas-Williams and S Freeborn

6854. Report of the Town Clerk on: -

- a) **Porterhouse Road Play Area** Official opening taken place – the Clerk reported the official opening and the children from St John’s school had attended and enjoyed the play equipment
- b) **New Website – update – not all Bio’s received as yet –**
RESOLVED the Clerk would request the missing Bio’s again but would continue to chase the website provider for the website to be up and running as soon as possible
- c) **Butterley Brick Works Football Pitch – update –** Cllr Freeborn reported that the group had met once again, were in discussion with Mill Hill School and the Ripley Town Council’s offer of a Landscape Architect is being taken for the Council to be informed of the acreage required and if the land is a large enough area the group could then speak to the selling agents
- d) **Neighbourhood Plan and AVBC Core Strategy suspension – update –** Cllr Freeborn reported the suspension of Amber Valley’s Core Strategy by the Inspector and the situation regarding the Ripley Town Council’s Neighbourhood Plan
- e) **Hanging Basket and planters – update**
- f) **Council Banking – recommendations from Finance Meeting**
RESOLVED to accept the recommendations the Clerk is to research three High Street Banks for types of account and interest available
- g) **Spring Festival and Well Dressing – report –** the Clerk reported that the event was very well received, the weather was excellent and many people commented how much they enjoyed the entertainment also there were more stalls this year than ever before
- h) **Recommendations from the Grant Committee – previously circulated**
RESOLVED to accept the recommendations and give the grants listed

Highedge Historical Society	£100.00
Greenhillocks Fellowship	£150.00
Waingroves Community Association	£350.00
Nether Heage Methodist Church	£100.00
Sawmills Village Hall	£100.00
1st Waingroves Rainbows	£100.00
Waingroves Methodist Church	£50.00
Waingroves Well Dressing	£100.00
Moorwood Moor Angling Club	£200.00
St Lukes Church Heage	£100.00
1st Ripley Scout Group	£150.00
Ripley & District Twinning Ass	£150.00

Waingroves Show	£100.00
AV Stroke Group	£100.00
Carousel Craft Group	£50.00
Ambergate Carnival	£500.00
Amber Sound 107.2fm	£2,500.00
Friends of Carr Wood	£100.00
The Little Lunch Club Heage	£100.00
Ripley Old Age Pensioners Ass	£50.00
1st Ripley Guides	£100.00
Ripley Morris Men	£100.00
Waingroves Drama Group	£50.00

- i) **Holocaust Survivor Community Talk at Mill Hill School –** discuss support for travel and accommodation for speaker

RESOLVED to grant up to £100.00 to support the travel and accommodation for the speaker as this is a unique opportunity for children to be made aware of the horrors that went on in WW11 not only in the camps but in many other ways and places

i) **Navigus Planning** annual subscription £50.00

RESOLVED to pay the annual subscription

k) **Ambergate Cricket Club Ground** – Cllr Freeborn reported that there may be charitable funds available for the land and there may be positive news for the next RTC meeting

6855. Accounts for payment / Income cheques to be approved and signed – sign Audit Return Form

RESOLVED to agree and sign the cheques and sign the Audit form

Cheque No	Payee	£	VAT	Total
503796	PRS Music Licence	£83.52	£16.70	£100.22
503797	National Leaflet Company newsletter delivery	£742.78	£148.56	£891.34
503798	Eric Gregory Photography at events throughout the year	£100.00		£100.00
503799	L McCormick salary & reimbursements 503800 HMRC PAYE	£1512.82	£7.00	1519.82
503801	L McCormick annual home office reimbursement	£500.00		£500.00
503802	BLT Direct ultra violet light tubes for toilets	£53.41	£10.68	£64.09
503803	Phase Print newsletter printing	£820.31		£820.31
503804	Broxap 3 litter bins 2 x Greenway and 1 x Albion Street	£718.00	£143.60	£861.60
503805	Planning Design N Plan research and Assessment reports	£1200.00	£240.00	£1440.00
503807	AVBC Office Rent	£300.00	£60.00	£360.00
503808	Baileys Printers Heritage Leaflets	£258.00		£258.00
503809	Waingroves Community Association Christmas Tree 2013	£110.00		£110.00
503810	Ilkeston Fencing Porterhouse Road	£1598.48	£319.69	£1918.17
503811	Decx deposit of 10% Christmas Decorations	£3040.00	£608.00	£3648.00
503812	Navigus Planning annual subscription	£50.00		£50.00
503813	ReThink donation for items used for Well Dressing	£200.00		£200.00
503814	A Bridge reimbursement for engraving Mayor's chain	£16.00		£16.00
503815	B Wood Internal Audit	£304.20		£304.20
503816	Harrison's Packaging 50,000 Dog Scoop Bags	£500.00	£100.00	£600.00
503818	Kept Kleen Cleaning Toilets weeks 14 15 16 17 18	£338.00		£338.00
	Total	£12,445.52	£1654.23	£14,099.75
Income	AVBC 50% Precept			£99750.50
	AVBC reimbursement to cover Town Hall solicitors fees			£6655.00
	Community Development Foundation Grant			£6300.00
	Total			£112705.50

6856 Planning Applications – previously circulated - noted

6857. Items for Information in the Information Folder: - noted

6858. Employment matters – recommendations from Employment Group meeting – the clerk reported that a meeting had been held and the Clerk was to research job descriptions and contracts which would be discussed at a further meeting of the Group

6859. Date for the next monthly meeting June 17th 2014 at 7.00pm