



Ripley Town Council

6, Grosvenor Road, Ripley, DE5 3JF

Contact: Town Clerk - Jayne Simpson

Tel: 01773 513456

Email: townclerk@ripleytowncouncil.gov.uk



MINUTES of Friday 1st July 2022 at 5.00pm RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE MEETING held at Ripley Town Council Office, 6, Grosvenor Road, Ripley, DE5 3JF.

In Attendance: Cllrs: M. Allwood, L. Cox, R. Emmas-Williams, S. Freeborn (Chair), T. Holmes, T. Spencer and D. Williams.

Also: J. Simpson - Town Clerk and H. Curzon – Deputy Clerk

AGENDA

010722/1. To receive apologies for absence – No apologies were received

010722/2. Variation of Order of Business - None

010722/3. Declaration of Members Interests – None received

010722/4. Public speaking – None

010722/5. Update on the Ripley Town Council Environment Committee's Environment, Climate and Biodiversity Action Plan

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that the Clerk and Deputy Clerk to look through the action plan and report back at the next meeting.

010722/6. Discuss the Water Course from Greenwich Park to the pond network on the Butterley Site

Cllr Freeborn reported that the receptor tanks for the stream from under the car park at Ripley Sainsburys have never been cleaned, which has led to pollution in the pond at Carr Wood.

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that Ripley Town Council, in liaison with the Friends of Carr Wood write to Sainsburys and remind them of the original planning approval which included a condition to clean the water course regularly and that because it hasn't been done, has resulted in major damage wildlife habitats because of pollution in the pond in Carr Wood.

010722/7. Discuss purchasing more litter picking equipment for local community groups and schools

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that litter pickers, pairs of gloves, hoops, high vis RTC branded jackets and bin liners be purchased. Invite expressions of interest in the next Ripley Town Council newsletter for expressions of interest from local community groups and school PTA's to gauge the number of equipment we need to order.

010722/8. River Starts Here – project update

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that Ripley Town Council ask Trent Rivers Trust for a final report for the project and write to Greggs thanking them for their support. In addition, we write to the Amber Valley Borough Council Enforcement Officer regarding water running off

the Church View Farm estate into Bottle Brook on Ripley Greenway and write to Langridge Homes (the developers of the estate) to convey our disappointment that this is happening.

010722/9. Discuss Butterley Ironworks site regeneration issues

Cllr Freeborn reported that the Butterley Ironwork Trust is developing the first stage of Heritage Lottery Fund money to identify a way of moving the project forward. He added that there is potential for Ripley Town Council to encourage regeneration ideas for the Butterley site, for example creating access for walkers, cyclists, wheelchair users etc. by connecting the site to Cromford View / Derbyshire Police Headquarters or an entrance near Hill Street. There is also the possibility that Ripley Town Council could take over the guard house at the Butterley site and convert it into a Tourist Information Centre. These are all things to consider moving forward.

NOTED

010722/10. Discuss regeneration ideas for Ripley Town Centre

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that Ripley Town Council explore the idea of employing a Groundsman, looking at what the role would entail, costs, possibility of sharing the role with another local council and a long-term plan.

010722/11. Discuss Ripley Town Council purchasing flags for the whole Township

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that Ripley Town Council pursue this idea and look into the costs of buying fabric flags for the township to display, for example, St. George Cross, Derbyshire flag, Pride flags, Remembrance and the Union flag. Planning permission needs to be considered and gaining permission from property owners to erect brackets onto their property.

010722/12. Date of next meeting

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that the date of the next Environment and Regeneration meeting be held on Tuesday 13th September 2022 at 5pm in the RTC office.

010722/13. Meeting Closed at 5.45pm

The next Monthly Full Council Meeting will be held on 19th July 2022 at 7.00pm.

**RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL
BHIB 2020 & 2018 AWARD WINNER FOR DERBYSHIRE COUNCIL OF THE YEAR
HIGHLY COMMENDED 2019 COUNCIL OF THE YEAR**