



Ripley Town Council

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MINUTES of Friday 18th October 2024 at 5.30pm RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE MEETING held at Ripley Town Council Office, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley, DE5 3BT.

In Attendance: Cllrs: R Emmas-Williams, S Freeborn (Chair), M Hawkins, and D Williams.
Plus: Jayne Simpson (Town Clerk) and Hannah Curzon (Deputy Clerk).
Plus: One member of the public.

181024/1. To receive apologies for absence – Apologies were received from Cllrs: Allwood, N Weaving and Mrs. P Weaving.

RESOLVED that Cllr Freeborn was elected to chair the meeting.

181024/2. Variation of Order of Business - None

181024/3. Declaration of Members Interests – None received.

181024/4. Public speaking – None.

181024/5. Update regarding the future maintenance of the Thomas Hartland Land.

The Town Clerk confirmed that this land is registered as a Public Open Space with Amber Valley Borough Council, in perpetuity as part of the s106 agreement for the Cromford View development. Morris Homes have committed to maintaining it for the foreseeable future.

Recommend to Full Council that Ripley Town Council write to Morris Homes to say if they change their mind on having ownership of this land, for them to contact the council. Also ask Morris Homes if the residents of Cromford View are aware of who they should contact if they see a problem on the Thomas Hartland land.

181024/6. Discuss the possible purchase of the woodland area on Peasehill Road, Ripley.

The Clerk reported that this matter is still ongoing between the council's solicitor and the sellers solicitor as we are waiting for outstanding questions to be answered.

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181026/7. Update regarding the rewilding at Greenwich.

The Town Clerk reported that she had advised both Derbyshire Wildlife Trust (DWT) and Ripley Wildflowerers (RW) to commence with the work and to liaise with one another. DWT will be starting work on the pond on 30th October for three consecutive days.

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL the following:

1. Ask DWT and RW to photograph the progress so the council can publish articles on social media/website and in the newsletter about the project.
2. Ask DWT and RW to develop a plan, showing where the grass cutting will/ will not be needed, including the management of the grass cutting going forward.
3. That the needs of the Ripley Recreation Ground Charity are met regarding the junior playing field.
4. The Hawthorn hedge which runs around the outside of the recreation ground needs to be preserved and maintained. Clerk to ask Sheds Ground Maintenance to check it is not blocking

access to the highways and if it is, to cut it back.

181024/8. Update on the Ripley Cycling Network.

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that Councillor Hawkins continues drawing up the proposed map in order to present it to the Travel Ambassador in the office of the East Midlands Mayor in due course, and to include a 'Safe Route to School'.

181024/9. Date of next meeting: Thursday 7th November 2024 at 5pm.

181024/10. Meeting Closed at 17:59.

The next Monthly Full Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th November 2024 at 7.00pm.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____