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MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18TH 2018 MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

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

Attendees; Cllr P. Lobley (Chair), and Cllrs R.P. Ashton, S.D. Carter, C. Cutting, R. Emmas-Williams, Mrs S. Emmas-Williams, D. Farrelly, I. Fisher, S.D. Freeborn, T. Holmes, M. Jones, Mrs L. Joyes, M. Missett, P. Moss, D.A. Williams, M.C. Wilson and Mrs. C. Worth.

Members of the Public – two

Also L. McCormick (Town Clerk) and H. Curzon (Deputy Town Clerk)

AGENDA

180918/1 To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A Bridge, Ms. L. Cox, Mrs J.H. Gregory and N. Weaving.

180918/2 Variation of Order of Business – None required

180918/3 Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr S Carter declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16, fair treatment from Amber Valley Borough Council and Agenda Item 17b, the proposed listing of Ripley Town Hall as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the meeting.

Cllr R Ashton declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16, fair treatment from Amber Valley Borough Council and Agenda Item 17b, the proposed listing of Ripley Town Hall as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the meeting.

Cllr T Holmes declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16, fair treatment from Amber Valley Borough Council as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the meeting.

Cllr M Wilson declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16, fair treatment from Amber Valley Borough Council as a Member of Amber Valley Borough Council, but would remain in the meeting.

180918/4 Public Speaking

Councillor Wilson encouraged Councillors to visit the Derbyshire County Council website to read the consultation about the reduction in help services for Early Years in Derbyshire.

Amber Valley CVS Chief Executive, Lynn Allison thanked Ripley Town Council for writing to Southern Derbyshire CCG about concerns about funding cuts in the voluntary sector. Discussions are still ongoing with the CCG. She hopes that Ripley Town Council will support the consultation and suggested we have a shared discussion on supporting local groups and initiatives.

Councillor Williams reported that the litter picking equipment which Ripley Town Council donated to Waingroves Community Association, has been used and invited Councillors to join them for their regular litter picks in the village.

Councillor Williams also reported that Ripley and District Heritage Trust had asked Amber

Valley Borough Council for additional meeting space in Ripley Town Hall. The response was that no other rooms can be offered.

- 180918/5 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Meeting on 17th July 2018.**
RESOLVED to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.
- 180918/6 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 27th July 2018 and accept the Recommendations therein.**
RESOLVED that the minutes and recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- 180918/7 To confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 3rd August 2018.**
RESOLVED to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.
- 180918/8 To confirm the Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee held on 17th August 2018 and accept the Recommendations therein.**
RESOLVED that the minutes and recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- 180918/9 To confirm the Minutes of the Events Committee held on 17th August 2018 and accept the Recommendations therein.**
RESOLVED that the minutes and recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- 180918/10 To confirm the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 7th September 2018.**
RESOLVED that the minutes and recommendations be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- 180918/11 To confirm the Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee held on 14th September 2018 and accept the Resolutions therein.**
RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- 180918/12 To determine which additional items on any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. - None required**
- 180918/13 Town Mayors Announcements.**
Ripley Town Mayor, Cllr Lobley gave an update on his Mayoral engagements since the last meeting:
19th July 2018 – Ambergate Railway Station to unveil a commemorative plaque for the Pentrich Revolution.
21st July 2018 – attended a cheque presentation to Ripley Town Football Club at Greenwich Recreation Ground.
28th July 2018 – attended a concert at AIM Excelsum.
7th August 2018 – Litter picking equipment presentation to Waingroves Community Association at the Ripley Town Council office.
1st September 2018 – Opened Marehay Show.
8th and 9th September 2018 – Waingroves Show
12th September 2018 – Extreme Wheels Skate Jam on Greenwich Skate Park.
- 180918/14 Reports of the Town Clerk.**
- a) Big Day Out event**
Cllr Fisher reported that the event was a great success and that the marvellous weather led to great attendance. Over 1500 people attended. He thanked volunteers from Ripley Town Council that attended.

b) Extreme Wheels

Councillor R. Emmas-Williams reported that the whole programme was well supported by 40-50 participants most weeks, demonstrating their skills on a skateboard or bike.

c) Grosvenor Road office update

Councillor Fisher reported that Ripley Town Council moved premises due to there being no more space available in Ripley Town Hall. It is costing Ripley Town Council the same for office space that we were paying Amber Valley Borough Council. Town Clerk having negotiated three free months followed by a 50% reduction for 18 months. The official opening of the new office on Friday 21st September 2018.

d) Letter of support to Amber Valley CVS

Councillor Freeborn reported that Ripley Town Council wrote to the Southern Derbyshire CCG opposing that the cuts to voluntary sector funding which will affect Amber Valley CVS, not be made. It is important we maintain appropriate support for groups like Amber Valley CVS to help fellow citizens. Ripley Town Council would be pleased to talk to Amber Valley CVS to develop community strength.

e) Thank you letters for grants received

Waingroves Community Association, Ripley & Alfreton Tennis Club, Heage Village Hall, Waingroves Rainbows and Carousel Craft Group.

f) Certificate of Merit Award

The Town Clerk reported that we have received seven nominations for the award, the meeting to select the worthy winner will take place on 28th September 2018 at 5.00pm.

g) Conclusion of the Long Song Project

Councillor Freeborn reported that this is the 5th and final year of the project, working with Fleet Arts and schools in the Ripley Township. In conclusion, there will be a performance at Ripley Church in November 2018.

Councillor Wilson thanked Ripley Town Council and the schools that have engaged with the project, on behalf of the Ripley Music Festival.

h) Noticeboard at Ridgeway Lane, Ambergate

Town Clerk reported that approval has been granted by Derbyshire County Council to install the new noticeboard. Installation will happen within the next month.

i) Citizens Advice Outreach impact data report

Councillor Freeborn asked the Council to note the report and the great work of Citizens Advice.

180918/15

To consider an Investment Policy and Strategy 2018-2019

RESOLVED that Ripley Town Council adopt the Investment and Policy Strategy 2018-19.

180918/16

Ripley Town Council to seek fair treatment from AVBC

Councillor Freeborn reported that it is noticeable in local towns that Belper seems to receive more support from AVBC and there is one-hour free car parking in Heanor. **RESOLVED** Ripley Town Council write to the Leader and Directors of AVBC pointing out what support other towns are receiving and what Ripley is not receiving.

180918/17

Propose listing of:

a) Waingroves War Memorial

Councillor Williams reported it is important and appropriate to protect the Memorial.
RESOLVED Ripley Town Council to support the listing of the Memorial.

b) Ripley Town Hall

Councillor R. Emmas-Williams proposed that Ripley Town Hall is registered as listed.
RESOLVED Ripley Town Council contact English Heritage to seek the listing of Ripley Town Hall.

180918/18 Proposal to review Ripley's Neighbourhood Plan

Councillor Freeborn reported that there is a need to respond to changing legislation. Framework regulations have been updated and implemented and consequently it is imperative that Ripley Town Council review the Neighbourhood Plan.

RESOLVED an initial budget of up to £5000 is made available for specialist consultant advice on reviewing Ripley's Neighbourhood Plan.

180918/19 Proposal for the office of the Ripley Town Mayor be appointed as an Honorary Member of Amber Valley Rotary

RESOLVED that the role of Mayor of Ripley can accept honorary membership of Amber Valley Rotary.

180918/20 Planning Applications

None for discussion

180918/21 Items for Information in the Information Folder;

Clerks and Councils Direct, The Clerk Magazine, Trent Barton Red Arrow.

180918/22 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.

NONE

180918/23 Meeting Closed at 7.55pm

Date of Next Council Meeting – 16th October 2018 at 7.00pm.