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MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 17th 2019 MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

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

Attendees; Cllr T. Holmes (Chair), and Cllrs R.P. Ashton, S. Carter, Ms L.D. Cox, C. Cutting, R. Emma-Williams, I. Fisher, S.D. Freeborn, Mrs M. Gascoigne, Mrs J.H. Gregory, M. Jones, P. Lobley, Mrs C. Manterfield, P. Moss, C. Saunders, D.A. Williams and M.C. Wilson.

Members of the Public – Four plus L. McCormick (Clerk) and H. Curzon (Deputy Town Clerk).

Agenda

170919/1 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs. Boles, Bridge, Worth and Weaving (who was on Council business elsewhere).

170919/2 Variation of Order of Business

None required

170919/3 Declaration of Members Interests:

Councillor Ashton declared a personal interest in Agenda items 15 and 17 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and remained in the meeting.

Councillor Moss declared a personal interest in Agenda items 15 and 17 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and remained in the meeting.

Councillor Carter declared a personal interest in Agenda items 15 and 17 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and remained in the meeting.

Councillor Wilson declared a personal interest in Agenda items 15 and 17 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and remained in the meeting.

Councillor Freeborn declared a personal interest in Agenda item 19 as Chair of Butterley Ironworks Trust and remained in the meeting.

Councillor Williams declared a personal interest in Agenda item 19 as a member of Butterley Ironworks Trust and remained in the meeting.

Councillor Lobley declared a personal interest in Agenda items 14(d) and 17 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and remained in the meeting.

Councillor Holmes declared a personal interest in Agenda items 14(d) and 17 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and remained in the meeting.

170919/4 Public speaking

A member of the public congratulated Ripley Town Council on the magnificent floral displays around the township.

A member of the public spoke about the climate emergency and the fact it isn't helped with the lack of public transport in Ripley. There used to be three railway lines in Ripley. The benefit to cost ratio was carried out at 1.5 to 1. Ripley's score was 0.2. In August 2019, plans were revealed for extending Nottingham's tramline to Ikea at Giltbrook, then possibly extend into Amber Valley. Has anyone seen this report?

A member of the public spoke about the climate change emergency that the UK Government declared on 1st May 2019. Every small difference we make will add up to a larger whole. Let's keep up our positive actions. Plan for paperless offices, encourage more recycling from the public and have new recycle bins installed in town. AVBC have announced plans for tree planting – could we encourage children now to find acorns, conkers and sycamore seeds and get them excited to see their own saplings grow? I will personally provide 50 litre bag of soil and some pots to help this venture if wanted. It's not only a case of 'we must do it' but we can do it and have some fun! We could maybe have a vegetarian day in the market to introduce people to foods they may not have tried before and reduce beef consumption for instance?

- 170919/5 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Monthly Meeting held on 16th July 2019.**
RESOLVED to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.
- 170919/6 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 19th July 2019**
RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- 170919/7 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 9th August 2019 and accept the resolutions therein.**
RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- 170919/8 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Financial and Management Committee Meeting held on 16th August 2019 and accept the resolutions therein.**
RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- 170919/9 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting held on 30th August 2019.**
RESOLVED to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.
- 170919/10 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 30th August 2019 and accept the resolutions therein.**
RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.
- 170919/11 To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Financial and Management Committee Meeting held on 13th September 2019 and accept the resolutions therein.**
RESOLVED that the minutes and resolutions be agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.

Cllr Fisher confirmed that it will be proposed that a draft three-year budget would mean that there would be an increase in Band D, 10p per week in the Council Tax each year, subject to approval at Full Council and the consultation.
- 170919/12 To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.**
None required
- 170919/13 Town Mayor's Announcements**

The Mayor and his Consort have attended the following events since the last meeting:

20th July 2019 – Judging the Best Kept Allotment and Garden competition

21st July 2019 – Crossley Park Band Concert

10th August 2019 – Ripley Specsavers 5th year anniversary celebrations

25th August 2019 – Ripley's Real Ale House second anniversary

7th September 2019 – Marehay Show

13th September 2019 – Officially opened the first Ripley Outdoor Cinema

14th & 15th September 2019 - Attended the Waingroves Show

The Deputy Mayor attended the following events:

4th August 2019 – Crossley Park Band

18th August 2019 – Crossley Park Band

11th September 2019 – Skate Jam and the Youth Hub and Greenwich Park

170919/14 Report of the Town Clerk

a) Thank you notes from local groups that have received grants from RTC:

Carousel Craft Group, Sawmills Over 60's Club, Ambergate Carnival, 4th Ripley Brownies, Waingroves Community Association, Ripley Girlguiding Headquarters and Woodies Wings.

NOTED

b) Fair Dinner October 22nd 2019

The Clerk urged Councillors to attend.

NOTED

c) Certificate of Merit Award meeting October 4th 2019 – 5.30pm RTC Office

The Clerk reported to date, we have received two nominations and that Tony England is the Independent person.

NOTED

d) Amber Valley Safer Neighbourhood Quarterly Report

Cllr Freeborn reported that Ripley Town Council had requested to join the forum but the application had been knocked back.

RESOLVED Ripley Town Council reapply to join the Amber Valley Safer Neighbourhood Forum

e) Councillor's updated information for the RTC website as per email from Deputy Clerk on 31st July 2019 – deadline was 30th August 2019

The Clerk reminded Councillors who hadn't returned their forms, to do so to the Deputy Clerk by 30th September 2019. Cllr Freeborn suggested the Deputy Clerk resends the form to Councillors.

NOTED Deputy Clerk emails Councillors the form to complete for their biography on the RTC website.

f) Youth Hub celebrations at Greenwich Park feedback

The Clerk reported that the celebration event was well attended. The children who learned to play an instrument were great, the buffet provided by the Youth Hub was good and she thanked the Councillors that attended and supported the Youth Hub.

Cllr Freeborn publicly thanked Loz Shaw (Fleet Arts), Emma Wightman (Blend), Roland Emmas-Williams (Greenwich Park Sports Partnership) and Jon Tipton (Extreme Wheels) and also the Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner for the funding.

Cllr Ashton wanted to echo the remarks of the Clerk. He attended the celebration and the musicians did a superb job and put in tremendous effort. Money well spent by Ripley Town Council.

NOTED

g) Cinema Event feedback

Cllr Fisher reported this was a superb event. Greenwich Park was an ideal venue for the cinema. It was great that the public voted for the film they wanted to see, and they turned up in their hundreds to watch The Greatest Showman. It was brilliant to see families together. Hopefully RTC can put on an event like this in 2020.

Clerk reported that on the night, one of the speakers didn't work but Chris Knight from Amber Sound FM kindly lent us one of theirs.

NOTED to give thanks to Chris Knight for helping by lending us a speaker on the night of the outdoor cinema.

170919/15 Ripley Neighbourhood Plan Review Document for Public Consultation - update

Cllr Freeborn reported that the first consultation has been completed. The Consultants are preparing a further draft incorporating most ideas, including aspirational ones. The next Ripley Neighbourhood Plan draft will be issued within a few weeks to Amber Valley Borough Council to begin the next formal phase. All being well, it will still be on target for a May 2020 referendum.

NOTED

170919/16 Ripley Library Outreach Impact Data Annual Report April 2018 to March 2019

RESOLVED for Ripley Town Council to congratulate Citizens Advice Derbyshire District on the great work they do, helping people who live in our Township.

170919/17 Motion carried by Amber Valley Borough Council 24 July 2019 – Climate Change

RESOLVED that Ripley Town Council adopt a similar Climate Emergency Motion and ask the Environment Committee to incorporate it in Ripley Town Council's Environment Action Plan.

170919/18 River Starts Here Project – update

Cllr Freeborn reported that the Project Officer has prepared a draft action plan for the township which is currently out for consultation with local groups for their comments. When the action plan has been consolidated, we will have a report made to the Council by the Project Officer. This will be in October or November 2019.

NOTED

170919/19 Planning Applications

AVA/2019/0697 Former Butterley Ironworks Coach Road Butterley Park Ripley

Cllr Freeborn reported that this item has been considered by the Planning Committee, however two addendums need to be made to our previously submitted objection. These are:

1. The only access from the surface of the site to the unique 18th Century underground wharves of the Cromford Canal – the 'wide hole' (a Scheduled Ancient Monument) – the only access will be lost to a residential road and should not be allowed to happen.
2. The site is part of a water supply chain that starts at the pond on Nottingham Road Rec, to a pond by the Sainsburys corner, to a pond in Carr Wood (at the top by the cut through, to the pond at the bottom of Carr Wood that abuts the Butterley site, goes through it and on into Butterley Res.

It currently carries pollution from Sainsburys, ie. Petrol, diesel and salts from the fillings station and supermarket car park. This is via its approved site surface water drainage system into Carr Wood where the first pond is pretty lifeless and stagnant. We are trying to tackle that pollution through The River Starts Here project.

RESOLVED the two addendums be submitted to Amber Valley Borough Council as part of the Ripley Town Council response to this planning application.

170919/20 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 required

170919/21 Items for the Information Folder

The Clerk Magazine and the Clerks and Councils Direct

170919/23 Meeting closed at 7.39pm

Date for the next monthly meeting October 15th 2019 at 7.00pm

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