



MINUTES of MONTHLY MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

held at 7.00pm on Tuesday July 26th 2022 in the Council Chamber,
Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley.

In Attendance: Cllrs R Ashton, S Carter, R Emmas-Williams, I Fisher, S Freeborn, Mrs J Gregory, T Harper, L Joyes, P Lobley, P Moss, T Spencer, N Weaving (Chair), D Williams, S Williams and M Wilson.

Also: Five members of the public and one member of the Press, plus
Jayne Simpson - Town Clerk

AGENDA

260722/1. To Receive Apologies for Absence - Cllrs M Allwood, L Cox, T Holmes, M Jones and M Murray.

260722/2. Variation of Order of Business - None required

260722/3. Declaration of Members Interests

Councillor Ashton declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Carter declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Emmas-Williams declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 15(a) as he has previously discussed this matter with a member of the public. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Lobley declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Moss declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

Councillor Spencer declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council. He remained in the meeting.

260722/4. Public Speaking

A resident of Willow Avenue spoke to raise the issue of Dust clouds created by HGV's using the Road leading to Old Farm, he stated that this was the third time he had raised this issue with the Town Council and no action had been taken. Cllr Freeborn responded, to explain that the Town Council have no powers to be able to help, and that it was a Borough Council matter, and told the resident to refer the matter to their Environmental Team. Cllr Ashton added that he has been working on this issue and explained what was needed from the residents in order to progress this matter.

A resident thanked the Town Council for the Floral Displays, and also thanked the team who organised the Ripley Music Festival, for a fabulous event.

Another thank you was given to Cllr Freeborn and the Ripley Music Festival team for an excellent event, special mention was given to the School Children on Friday afternoon, and to the Firework Display.

A comment was raised regarding moving the festival in the future to Greenwich Park.

260722/5. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Full Council Meeting on June 21st 2022 (previously circulated electronically).

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

260722/6. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on June 24th 2022 (previously circulated electronically).

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations and resolutions therein.

260722/7. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting on June 28th 2022 and accept any resolutions and recommendations therein (previously circulated electronically).

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the resolutions and recommendations.

260722/8. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Environment and Regeneration Committee Meeting on 1st July 2022 and accept any recommendations therein (previously circulated electronically).

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations.

260722/9. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on 8th July 2022 accept the recommendations and resolutions therein (previously circulated electronically).

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations and resolutions.

260722/10. To confirm the Confidential Minutes of the Employment Committee Meeting on 14th July 2022 and accept the recommendations and resolutions therein (previously circulated electronically).

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations and resolutions.

260722/11. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee Meeting on 15th July 2022 and accept the recommendations and resolutions therein (previously circulated electronically).

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record and accept the recommendations and resolutions.

260722/12. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Heritage Committee Meeting on 22nd July 2022 and accept the recommendations therein (previously circulated electronically).

RESOLVED to delay the signing on these minutes to the September Meeting due to staff illness.

260722/13. 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 () 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." **None.**

260722/14. Mayor Announcements

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

- 26th June 2022 – Newstead Brass Band in Crossley Park.
- 3rd July 2022 - Mercian Regiment Annual Pilgrimage at Crich.
- 9th July 2022 - Ambergate Carnival.
- 9th July 2022 - Folk in the Wood, held in Waingroves Community Woodland.
- 10th July 2022 - Pure Steel at Crossley Park.
- 13th July 2022 - Judged the School Garden Projects.
- 17th July 2022 - Roast lunch at the Thorn Tree Inn, Waingroves.
- 23rd July 2022 – Judging the best kept Gardens and Allotments
- 24th July 2022 - Live music by Dog Haus at Crossley Park.

The Mayor reported that he had received a letter of thanks from Waingroves Food Bank for the money donated from his Mayoral Fund.

260722/15. Town Clerk announcements:

- (a) The Clerk reported that she is still awaiting a decision on the counteroffer made by the Town Council relating to the Land at Cromford View. The decision has been further delayed by holidays.

NOTED

260722/16. Amber Valley Local Plan Update.

The Town Council Planning Committee has given initial consideration to this and the spatial plan. Committee members are considering the plan further and will prepare their response at the next meeting, to ensure submission before the end of the consultation period early in September 2022. The main considerations are to protect Greenbelt land and open spaces within our Township.

260722/17. Discuss Future Youth Provision in the Ripley Township.

The Youth Provision Report received cross party support and it was **RESOLVED** that Ripley Town Council approve the programme and costs of providing Youth Provision in the Ripley Township for 24 weeks as set out in the reports and that a further review will be undertaken in the Autumn as planning for next year's budget will take place. A thank you was expressed to our Deputy Clerk Hannah, for her work on producing the Report.

260722/18. Discuss the Cost-of-Living Crisis.

It was reported with alarm that Ripley now has four Food Banks when previously there were none. Consequently, it was noted that poverty for many local people is very real and up to July as many families had been helped by the Salvation Army as in the whole of last year.

It was **RESOLVED** that Ripley Town Council continues to support the Citizens Advice Bureau to provide training for Volunteers to enable them to support those in need.

260722/19. Grant Recipient Thank You's received.

Gratitude has been received from the following Ripley Township Groups: Nether Heage Community and Neighbourhood Watch, AIM Excelsum, Village Hall at Heage, Yellow Daisies Stay and Play, Greenhillocks Fellowship, Meadow Road Neighbourhood Watch

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and Community Group, Amber Sound FM, Amber Valley Movie Makers, Ripley Salvation Army, Sawmills Village Hall, Waingroves Well Dressing, Pentrich and South Wingfield Revolution Group, Midland Railway Trust, Friends of Ripley Greenway, Fearn Avenue Allotment Association, Ripley WI and the Ripley OAP Association.

260722/20. Planning Applications – no further applications received.

260722/21. 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**

260722/22. Meeting Closed at 7.41pm

Date for the Next Full Council Annual Meeting 20th September 2022 at 7.00pm.

RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

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