



# Ripley Town Council

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## MINUTES of MONTHLY MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022 in the Council Chamber,  
Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley.

In Attendance: Cllrs M Allwood, R Ashton, S Carter, Miss L Cox, R Emmas-Williams, I Fisher, S Freeborn, Mrs J Gregory, T Holmes, M Jones, P Lobley, M Murray, T Spencer, N Weaving (Chair) and D Williams.  
Also: One member of public, one member of the Press and one representative from Derbyshire Constabulary.  
Plus: Jayne Simpson - Town Clerk and Hannah Curzon – Deputy Clerk.

### AGENDA

**151122/1. To Receive Apologies for Absence** - Cllrs Harper, Moss, S Williams and Wilson.

**151122/2. Variation of Order of Business** - None required.

**151122/3. Declaration of Members Interests** – None to declare

#### **151122/4. Public Speaking**

PCSO Worrall from the Belper, Kilburn and Heage Safer Neighbourhood Team reported that there had been 7 crimes committed in Ambergate during the period of 1<sup>st</sup> August - 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022. These included domestic stalkings, domestic harassment, an assault at The Hurt Arms, noise nuisance, stolen number plate at Bullbridge and traffic signs stolen on Ridgeway Road.

He also reported that speed enforcement had taken place in Ambergate and Sawmills.

Cllr D Williams announced that Derbyshire County Council Public Transport has found a workable timetable for the 148-bus service in Waingroves.

**151122/5. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Monthly Meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup> 2022** (previously circulated electronically).

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

**151122/6. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on September 30<sup>th</sup> 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 therein.

**151122/7. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee Meeting on October 14<sup>th</sup> 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 resolutions and recommendations therein.

**151122/8. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Allotment Committee Meeting on October 21<sup>st</sup> 2022 and accept the recommendations therein** (previously circulated electronically).

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

**151122/9. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on October 21<sup>st</sup> 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 therein.

**151122/10. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Event Committee Meeting on November 1<sup>st</sup> 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 therein.

**151122/11. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Environment and Regeneration Committee Meeting on November 1<sup>st</sup> 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 therein.

**151122/12. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Certificate of Merit Working Party meeting on November 4<sup>th</sup> 2022 and accept the recommendations therein** (previously circulated electronically).

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

**151122/13. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee Meeting on November 11<sup>th</sup> 2022 and accept the recommendations and resolutions therein.**

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

**151122/14. To determine which items if any part of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.**

**RESOLVED** In view of the confidential nature of Item 23 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.”

**151122/15. Mayor Announcements**

The Mayor and his Consort attended the following engagements:

7 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary party of Amber Valley Stroke Club
18 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Showmen’s Guild Fair Dinner at The Excavator in Sawmills
19 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Official opening of the 771 <sup>st</sup> Ripley Charter Fair
7 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Official opening of the new Starbucks in Sainsburys, Ripley
11 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Ripley Remembrance Service
13 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Remembrance Sunday Parade

The Mayor reminded attendees about the Civic Service being held at All Saints Church on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

**151122/16.Town Clerk announcements:**

**a) Proposed dates for Ripley Town Council events in 2023:**

Spring Market – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023

Well Dressing – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023

Bands on Crossley Park – Sundays 25<sup>th</sup> June, 9<sup>th</sup> July, 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 6<sup>th</sup> August, 20<sup>th</sup> August, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023

**NOTED**

**b) Six-month impact report (April – Sept 2022) from Citizens Advice Outreach Service**

**RESOLVED** for Ripley Town Council to write a letter of thanks to Citizens Advice for providing the recent free workshop on signposting members of the public to them for assistance with cost of living issues.

**c) Volunteers needed for the Christmas Market and Lights Switch on**

Councillors to let the Deputy Clerk know if they are available to volunteer to help at the upcoming Christmas Market and Lights Switch on.

**NOTED**

**d) DALC Highly Commended Council of the Year Award 2022**

Cllr Freeborn reported that this is good news and that as a Council, we are doing a great job.

**NOTED**

**e) Half Year Finance Report**

Cllr Freeborn explained that this previously circulated report has been considered in the recent Finance and Management Committee meeting. He added that everything is on track and thanked the Responsible Finance Officer for her work.

**NOTED**

**f) Certificate of Merit Award Winner**

The winner of this years award is Nether Heage Resident, Cheryl Roulston, who will be presented with her award on Sunday at the Civic Service.

**NOTED**

**g) Notification of Councillor Worth (Ambergate Ward) disqualification from being a Councillor**

Cllr Worth has been disqualified from being a Councillor through non-attendance at meetings. This was due to continuing ill-health issues.

**RESOLVED** for Ripley Town Council to write to Mrs. Worth and thank her for her service to Ripley Town Council.

**151122/17. Discuss Speed Indicator Devices in Waingroves**

**RESOLVED** for Ripley Town Council to explore the idea and costings for Speed Indicator Devices for Waingroves.

**151122/18. Discuss Ripley Town Council’s response to the Cost-of-Living Crisis with the Warm Wednesday initiative.**

Councillor Allwood reported that Ripley Town Council will be holding the first Warm Wednesday at Greenwich Community Sports Hub tomorrow. Ripley Town Council will be contributing financially towards it, and we are thankful to Councillor Ashton and Councillor Moss for their financial contribution of £500 each from their Derbyshire County Council Members Community Leadership Fund. Councillor Allwood welcomed fellow Councillors to support this initiative.

**NOTED**

**151122/19. Discuss Precept setting and review the proposed Budget for 2023/2024**

**RESOLVED** that Ripley Town Council propose no increase in the Ripley Town Council precept for 2023 / 2024 and set it at £342,000.

**151122/20. Grant Recipient Thank You’s received**

Gratitude has been received from the following Ripley Township Groups: - Greenhillocks Allotment Association, Marehay Bowls Club, Ripley Salvation Army (foodbank donation), Ripley Junior School (foodbank donation), Ripley St. John’s School (foodbank donation), Marehay and Waingroves Methodist Church (foodbank donation).

**NOTED**

**151122/21. Planning Applications - NONE**

**151122/22. Exclusion of the Press and Public**

**RESOLVED** In view of the confidential nature of items **(23)** 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.

**151122/23. Discuss Ripley Town Council giving a grant to Ripley Recreation Ground Charity**

**RESOLVED** that Ripley Town Council give a grant of £20,000 to the Ripley Recreation Ground Charity

**151122/24. Meeting Closed at 7.54pm**

Signed..... Date.....

**Date for the Next Full Council Annual Meeting Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.00pm.**

**RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL  
BHIB AWARD WINNER FOR DERBYSHIRE COUNCIL OF THE YEAR 2020  
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BHIB HIGHLY COMMENDED WINNER FOR DERBYSHIRE COUNCIL OF THE YEAR 2019 & 2022.**