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MINUTES of April 19th 2022 MONTHLY MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL held at 7.00pm on April 19th 2022 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley.

In Attendance: Cllrs R Ashton, S Carter, Miss L Cox, R Emmas-Williams (Chair), I Fisher, Mrs J Gregory, T Holmes, M Jones, P Loble, M Murray, T Spencer, N Weaving, D Williams, M Wilson, and Mrs C Worth.

Also: 6 members of the public, one member of the press and L McCormick Town Clerk

PLEASE NOTE: At 6.50pm, the Mayor will be making cheque presentations to Midland Railway and Butterley and Butterley Ironworks Trust as his chosen Charities.

AGENDA

190422/1. To Receive Apologies for Absence - Cllrs M Allwood, S Freeborn, T Harper, and Mrs L Joyes.

190422/2. Variation of Order of Business - None required

190422/3. 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 for both items.

Councillor R Emmas-Williams declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 14c as a member of Greenwich Park Sports partnership and 14d as a member of the midland railway Trust and remained in the meeting.

Councillor Murray declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 16 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and 19 as a member of Amber Valley Borough Council and remained in the meeting.

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

190422/4. Public Speaking – A member of the public spoke regarding the floral displays throughout the town and thanked the Council for the lovely displays which many people have stopped to admire them.

Cllr Ashton also spoke of how lovely the displays looked.

Cllr Holmes also spoke of the displays and how they lift the town after the terrible two years with the Covid pandemic.

190422/5. To confirm the Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Extraordinary Full Council Meeting on April 8th 2022 (previously circulated electronically)

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

190422/6. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Monthly Meeting on March 15th 2022 (previously circulated electronically)

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

190422/7. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting on

March 25th 2022 and accept any resolutions therein (previously circulated electronically)

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

190422/8. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Heritage Committee Meeting on April 8th 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

190422/9. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Events Committee Meeting on April 8th 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

190422/10. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting on April 14th 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 recommendations

190422/11. To confirm the Non-Confidential Finance and Management Committee Meeting on April 14th 2022 and accept and resolutions and recommendations therein - including Appendix A Financial Income and Expenditure Report End of Year 2021/2022(previously circulated electronically)

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

190422/12. 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 **19** 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."

190422/13. Mayor Announcements

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

- 25th February 2022 – We attended the Salvation Army monthly Coffee Morning
- 22nd March 2022 – I held my Mayor's Charity Fund Raiser for this year's chosen Charities, Butterley Ironworks Trust and the Midland Railway Centre raising £1,134.00 on the evening, with Mr Charles FM Wright being present, a descendant of the Wright family who owned the Butterley Company in the past.
- 31st March 2022 – I was invited to unveil a 'Blue Plaque' at the Central England Co-operative store on Derby Road, Ripley to mark the town's historic links, along with Elaine Dean, Vice president of the Society.
- 10th April 2022 – We attended the Amber Valley Borough Council's Civic service at Christ Church, Belper.

190422/14. Town Clerk announcements:

a) Town Clerk / RFO – The Town Clerk informed the Council that the new Town Clerk / RFO Mrs Jayne Simpson has been appointed and will commence employment on May 9th 2022.

Noted

b) Heage Educational Trust – The Town Clerk informed the Council that the assets from the Heage Educational Trust (HET) were transferred into the Heage Educational Fund (HEF) within Foundation Derbyshire and the primary beneficiaries of the HEF are Heage Primary School and Ambergate Primary School and young people up to the age of 25 who are current/former pupils of these schools. Over the coming months a Panel will be formed, and an invitation will be sent for a Cllr with appropriate skills to represent Heage or Ambergate to

join the Panel.

Cllr Fisher spoke of the lengthy discussions which have been ongoing with Derbyshire County Council (DCC) as the HET held considerable funds to spend in Heage and Ambergate. If all the funds are not used, then they could be used within the Ripley Township.

Noted

- c) Greenwich update** – The Town Clerk informed the Council that there were meetings being held with Charity Managing Trustees and progressing the way forward.

Cllr Fisher spoke of the new lower ceiling had been installed and has made a huge difference to the sound making the community room a much more attractive venue for users to hire.

Noted

- d) Request for Support for Midland Railway-Butterley to have a joint station with the national network at Pye Bridge** – (documents previously circulated) - The Town Clerk spoke of the request for support which had been received from the Midland Railway, Butterley to have a joint station initiative at Pye bridge on the Erewash Line, the site being at the southern entry and exit point to and from the rail network for the maid Marion Line raising benefits local and regions. This is a medium to long term initiative, but Midland Railway Trust are asking for the Ripley Town Council's support.

Cllr Fisher spoke of the council have always supported the Midland Railway and any benefits for vibrancy of the town is very welcome.

RESOLVED to write a letter of support for the initiative, to the Midland Railway.

190422/15. Discuss Youth Provision in the Ripley Township

Cllr Fisher spoke of the success of the Old Farm Bus Town Council youth provision with some support from the Derbyshire PCC to agree the proposed sessions, one to continue as previous and two to add an extra evening for the hard-to-reach youngsters. Sessions at the Old Farm Bus, Greenwich and Sawmills proving very successful.

RESOLVED to agree the recommendation from the Finance and Management Committee.

190422/16. Neighbourhood Plan review - Consultation was held on April 9th 2022 at Greenwich Community Centre.

Cllr Fisher reported that public consultation was held and was well attended with various comments received and a few slight amendments have been made to the Neighbourhood Plan, the consultation ends on May 5th 2022 and will then be submitted to Amber valley Borough Council and as soon as possible there will be a referendum.

Noted.

190422/17. Planning Applications – previously circulated

190422/18. 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. **To Discuss item 19.**

190422/19. Discuss Quotation for Summer Hanging Baskets and Planting, and Winter Planting

RESOLVED to continue with the present successful contractor and confirm a three-year contract.

190422/20. Meeting Closed at 7.20pm

Date for the Next Full Council Annual Meeting May 17th 2022 at 7.00 pm.

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