



# Ripley Town Council

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**Minutes of Meeting - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 at 5.00pm  
RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL HERITAGE COMMITTEE  
held at Ripley Town Council office, 6, Grosvenor Road, Ripley, DE5 3JF.**

In Attendance: Cllrs: R Emmas-Williams (Chair), A. Burslem, M. Hawkins, K. Smith, N Weaving & D Williams.

Also: Town Clerk – Jayne Simpson, and Cllr P Weaving as a member of the public.

**230224/1. To Receive Apologies for Absence – None.**

**230224/2. Variation of Order of Business – None required.**

**230224/3. Declaration of Members Interests**

Cllr Williams declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 5 as a member of Butterley Ironworks Trust and remained in the meeting.

**230224/4. Public speaking**

No one wished to speak.

**230224/5. Discuss the situation regarding the S106 agreement for the development on the former Butterley Ironworks site (Planning application: AVA/2019/0697).**

Members were informed that regular contact with Mr Alan Redmond AVBC planning department had been established, but no real progress has been made by the legal team on the S106 agreement. Aquarius were proving very difficult to deal with and did not want to commit to anything at present. Cllr Williams confirmed that a meeting is being arranged between himself, Brendan and Julie from Butterley Ironworks Trust, Alan Redmond AVBC Planning, and Chris Lindley of the Agents. Cllr Williams read out a piece of recent correspondence from Aquarius and gave an update on the condition of the Roof, which has been completely removed following recent storm damage. It was agreed that updates were needed on what the costs of the renovations to the Blast Wall and underground Wharf were likely to be? and how much of the S106 monies from the housing development is likely to be? This item will be added to the Agenda for the next meeting.

**230224/6. Discuss the bicentenary of Hammersmith Row, Ripley.**

Members were advised that Hammersmith Row, was originally built to house the workers at Butterley Ironworks. It was suggested that the installation of an Information Board might be considered. This item will be added to the Agenda for the next meeting.

**230224/7. Discuss the Ripley Co-operative Heritage Walk launch which took place on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024.**

Members were advised that this had proved to be very popular with lots of people calling into the office to collect the leaflets, that running it over half term week had been an excellent choice of date. Five Town Councillors attended the launch.

**230224/8. Discuss reapproaching English Heritage regarding formally listing Ripley Town Hall.**

Members were advised that the Clerk had looked into this matter prior to this meeting. After looking at the guidance on the Historic England website and notes from when this matter was looked at in the past, a building must be of special architectural or historic interest and must contain a significant proportion of its original fabric and features. It would not be possible to 'List' Ripley Town Hall, as it has recently had all its windows and doors replaced with white UPVC, many of its original features had been removed and it is joined to a modern building with a bridge.

**230224/9. Date of the next Heritage Committee meeting.**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 5pm.

**Meeting ended: 5.35pm.**

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

**The date for the next monthly Town Council Meeting is Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024 in the Council Chamber, Ripley Town Hall at 7.00pm.**