



Ripley Town Council

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Minutes of Tuesday 27th May 2025 at 5.30pm RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL POLICY & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Ripley Town Council office, Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley, Derbyshire, DE5 3BT

In Attendance: Cllrs S Freeborn (Chair), T Holmes, P Lobley BEM and L Cox.
Also present: H Curzon - Town Clerk.

- 270525/1. To receive apologies for absence** – Apologies received from Cllrs Allwood and Emmas-Williams.
- 270525/2. Variation of Order of Business** - None
- 270525/3. Declarations of Members Interests** - None
- 270525/4. Public Speaking** – None.
- 270525/5. To determine which items if any part of the agenda should be taken with the public excluded**
None.
- 270525/6. Review of the Council's Action Plan (Vision).**

The Committee discussed in detail, the Town Council's Vision 2024-2027 document and all 20 objectives of the plan.

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that:

1. The Council review and update HR policies in line with ACAS recommendations and model policies.
2. RTC to look to provide Citizens Advice Outreach sessions in some of villages in the Township. Look into 3 or 4 locations, once a month. Ripley Town Council to fund the venue hire and costs to Citizens Advice. The Clerk to contact Melanie Mallinson for costings.
3. The Community Engagement Officer to promote 'What's On' in the local area on social media and on the website to help raise the profile of local groups and events of all genres.
4. Ripley Town Council installs a bench on Butterley Hill, Ripley near The Talbot pub.
5. The council establish contact with local event groups, Make/Shift and Furthest From the Sea to discuss collaborating on events in the town.

- 270525/7. Discuss a proposal to obtain the office space adjacent to the current Ripley Town Council office from Amber Valley Borough Council.**

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that the Town Clerk send the proposal to the Leader of Amber Valley Borough Council stating that Ripley Town Council offer to pay £10,000 per year plus the service charge to rent the office space adjacent to the current Ripley Town Council office. This is subject to formal approval from Ripley Town Council. This space would be used for additional office space for staff and to work in partnership with Amber Valley Borough Council to provide a Tourist Information Hub with space for art and heritage exhibitions

- 270525/8. Discuss Amber Valley Access.**
This item was deferred for discussion at a future meeting.
NOTED

270525/9. Discuss Summer activities for children from low-income families.
Cllr Freeborn reported that he had met with a local art group called New Bloom Arts who are looking at holding summer activities for two weeks during the school summer holidays at Wood Street Methodist Church. They are looking at funding for the activities.

RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL that the Clerk sends New Bloom Arts the Town Council's grant application form to complete for consideration at the Grants Committee meeting.

270525/10. To consider any matters requiring an urgent response.
None to discuss.

270525/11. Confirm date of next meeting – Tuesday 24th June 2025 at 5.30pm.

270525/12 Meeting closed: 6.30pm

The next Ripley Town Council Full Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th June 2025 at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber, Ripley Town Hall.

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