



**Minutes of the Special Meeting of Ripley Town Council held on February 5th 2009 at the Town Hall, Ripley**

**Present**

Councillor R Ashton (in the Chair)

Councillors: Mrs J N Blake, D Bowley, S Carter, Miss L D Cox, C Cutting, I Fisher, S Freeborn, M B Gent, M J Godfrey, Mrs J H Gregory, M C Hooley, Mrs L Joyes, M C Joyes, S Joynes, Mrs C J Manterfield, R A P Philips-Forsyth, Mrs A S Ward, and D A Williams.

Member of the Press and the Clerk.

**AGENDA**

**PART 1 NON-CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Members are asked to sign the attendance sheet for the meeting and to complete the declarations of interest sheet (if appropriate). These will be available in the Council Chamber.

Yours sincerely,

Linda McCormick

**PART I – NON CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**5447. To receive apologies for absence** Cllrs: Mrs E A Bowley, S Joynes and D Neilson

**5448. Variation of Order of Business**

**5449.** Declaration of Members Interests Cllr S Freeborn declared a personal interest in item 11 Precept setting grants section

**5450.** Public Speaking – Cllr D Williams spoke of giving thanks to the Police, Amber Valley Borough Council and residents as there has been a great improvement in the town Greenway.

**5451. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2010 RESOLVED** to sign the minutes with the following amendment after liaison with Cllrs Mrs J N Blake and I Fisher the following is what has been agreed – 5442 to approve payment of all the cheques listed except 502933 as it would appear that not all leaflets had been delivered. Cheque 502939 was to be approved to be paid following a vote 10 for and 8 against. (Cllrs Ms L D Cox, C Cutting, I Fisher, S Freeborn, M B Gent, Mrs J H Gregory, D Neilson and D A Williams) voting against. They voted against as they did not believe that the Council had authorised expenditure on a letter from the leader to all properties in the Township.

**5452. To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.** The Clerks pay and conditions was proposed but this item was to be deferred to the March meeting

**5453. Town Mayor's Announcements** The Mayor reported he had attended the opening of Wood Street Methodist Church, the Showman's Guild Luncheon and the Ripley Morris Men Event.

**5454. Amend Standing Orders item 10 VARIATION REVOCATION AND SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

- 10.1 Any or every part of the Standing Orders may be suspended by resolution in relation to any specific item of business except the items detailed in Paragraphs 2,3,5,6,7,14,25,29,31 and 33.
- 10.2 A resolution permanently to add, vary or revoke a Standing Order shall when proposed and seconded, stand adjourned without discussion to the next ordinary meeting of Council.

**RESOLVED** not to amend the Standing Order

**5455. Amend Standing Orders item 28 ESTIMATES/PRECEPTS**

28.1 The Council shall approve written estimates for the coming financial year at its meeting before the end of the month of January.

**RESOLVED** not to amend the Standing Order

**5456. Clerks pay and conditions for 2010 / 2011** Deferred to the March meeting, Cllr Mrs A S Ward and M C Joyes would meet with the Clerk and bring back recommendations to the Full Council

**5457. Precept and Budget recommendations for 2010 / 2011 the Clerk will report the results of the Consultation** The Clerk reported the consultation results previously circulated. There was a recommendation that a newsletter to inform residents of the Township who is responsible for what services.

**RESOLVED** Set precept figure for 2010 / 2011 as below figures agreed

Budget item	2010/11 Allocation
Mayors Allowance	£1,750
Town Clerk Salary	£13,000
Admin, Audit & Subscriptions	£4,000
Community Grants	£7,500
Christmas Lighting	£23,500
Footpath Maintenance	£2,000
Environment Improvements	£12,000
Insurance	£3,500
Contingency	£5,000
Elections	£5,000
Remembrance Service	£750
Quality Status (Communications & Training)	£5,000
War Memorials	£500
Bus Shelter Maintenance	£150
Community Promotion, Events and Development	£10,000
Youth Projects	£5,000
	£98,650
Less income	£7,800
<b>PRECEPT FOR 2010 / 2011</b>	<b>£90,850</b>

**5458. Certificate of Merit award criteria recommendations** new version previously circulated  
**RESOLVED** to accept the new criteria

**5459. Date for next Monthly Meeting February 16<sup>th</sup> 2010**