

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Ripley Town Council held on  
February 15<sup>th</sup> 2011 at the Town Hall, Ripley**

**Present**

Councillor Mrs A S Ward (in the Chair)

Councillors: R P Ashton, Mrs J N Blake, D Bowley, Mrs E A Bowley, Ms L D Cox, C Cutting, I Fisher, S D Freeborn, M B Gent, M J Godfrey, Mrs J H Gregory, Mrs L Joyes, M C Joyes, S Joynes, Mrs C J Manterfield, D Neilson, RAP Phillips-Forsyth and D A Williams.

In attendance: 6 members of the public, police, press and the Clerk

**AGENDA**

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.

**PART I – NON CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**5637. To receive apologies for absence** Cllrs, M C Hooley and S D Carter

**5638. Variation of Order of Business**

**5639.** Declaration of Members Interests: Cllr RAP Phillips-Forsyth declared a personal interest in item 8c Waingroves Notice Board and Cllr S Joynes declared a personal interest in item 8b Blend proposal for funding

**5640.** Public Speaking –P.C.Mark Reddish asked for Cllrs to inform him or his colleagues regarding any events which will require staffing – the Police UK web site is up and running there have been several lead thefts in Codnor and Waingroves – Anti Social Behaviour figures are down – Staffing remains 20% below as there is not to be a replacement - please contact Parish Council Reddish or any of his colleagues in the Ripley Police Office if anyone has any items to report.

Mr Swain spoke of the Ripley Hospital parking area at long last will have a new layout and the car parking spaces will improve from 50 to 75 and the plan has been registered at Amber Valley Borough Council and will be dealt with under delegated powers by April – the PCT have agreed their responsibility towards residents, patients and visitors, there will be single rows of parking, not triple rows as at present and Mr Swain had raised suggestions which added more spaces. There will be no detrimental effects on anyone and the PCT have listened to residents, patients and Ripley Town Council and it is hoped that the Ripley Town Council will support the planning application for the new arrangements. Cllrs agreed their support and the Clerk would write to Amber Valley Borough Council planning department. Mr Tadman spoke of there being no support from the Ripley Town Councillors and thought Cllrs would have looked into this and asked for the Cllrs to take his comments on board. Cllr I Fisher stated that all Ripley Town Councillors have supported the changing of the car park and Cllr L Cox had worked directly to assist with the alterations and the previous comments were not factual.

Mr Swain stated that he would like to put the record straight that “Ripley Town Councillors had been involved and there had been support”

Cllr Mrs J N Blake stated that she had concerns from the start that the car park would not work and has contacted the PCT and many others regarding this.

Cllr S D Freeborn asked that the Council thank Mr Swain for his attendance and efforts and asked that the Clerk contact the Amber Valley Borough Council Planners to support the changes.

Mr Allsop spoke of the Ripley Branch Line and the fact residents were not happy with the proposal, some say they can travel to Derby in 22minutes by bus but with traffic this in act becomes much longer. To start the line at the Greenway and have a Sorting Office at Butterley where the new houses are to be built would help with the post. Mr Allsop was in favour of the branch line and hoped it would go ahead.

Mr Tamahill, who is head of Youth Development at the “blend” gave leaflets to the

Councillors and spoke of a charity called Valley Kids which had been around for ten years, the Lighthouse Charity Shops and Youth Work Teams. Work delivered through the "blend" who had now worked with over 500 children since 2007 and depends on lots of volunteers to provide drop in sessions, mentoring and holiday support or signpost to other areas. Young people are very important and Mr Tamahill was looking to run a residential to Edale for 16 youngsters for 4 days which would expose them to awareness, shelter building and activities they would not normally have. If the Ripley Town Council could help with a donation for the project this would help enormously the 16 youngsters who would go on the residential trip.

**5641. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Meeting of the Town Council held on January 18<sup>th</sup> 2011**

**RESOLVED** signed as a true and accurate record, Cllr I Fisher asked that all Cllrs comments be included on an item as important as the proposed railway.

**5642. To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. NONE**

**5643. Town Mayor's Announcements** the Mayor attended Swanwick Licensing of Rev Carole Lloyd

**5644. Report of the Town Clerk on: -**

- a) Recommendations from the Events Committee  
**RESOLVED** to agree the recommendations to note Cllr I Fisher's comments regarding minutes to be supplied of the Events meetings
- b) Blend Proposal for Youth Project  
**RESOLVED** to grant £2000.00 to the Youth Project.
- c) Youth Program started Friday evenings at Ripley Leisure Centre **Item for Report** the Clerk would ask for a report at the end of the events
- d) Skip hire for Ripley  
**RESOLVED** the Clerk was in contact with AV Housing Ltd and would re report back to the Council regarding where the skips could be located, who would police them and all contingencies should be covered
- e) Notice Board for Ripley to be confirmed  
**RESOLVED** Cllr E A Bowley would contact the Clerk with possible locations
- f) Notice Board for Waingroves, location confirmed  
**RESOLVED** the Clerk would contact Cllr I Fisher and RAP Phillips-Forsyth for an alternative location
- g) Amber Valley Access regarding non attendance at Access meetings by Cllr C J Manterfield  
**RESOLVED** if Cllr C J Manterfield is unavailable to attend meetings, then she should nominate others who could attend as Cllrs who take appointments should make every effort to attend or ask for a substitute as any Cllr could attend to represent the Town Council
- h) Derbyshire County Council Hartshay Hill / Ferrers Way / Amber Heights junction central refuge and junction modification **Item for Report**
- i) Biodegradable UK Dog Waste Bags 20,000 printed £788.00 + vat or Far East 100,000 printed £1710.00 + mould charge + vat  
**RESOLVED** to go ahead and order the Biodegradable UK Dog Waste Bags 20,000 printed £788.00 and to note to Amber Valley Borough Council there are not enough Dog Waste Bins and the ones there are do not get emptied often enough
- j) Meeting held with D Stafford, CES and Council representative at Amber Valley Borough Council regarding the Railway proposal  
**RESOLVED** Cllr S D Freeborn attended the meeting on behalf of Ripley Town Council at the Clerk's request. Cllr S D Freeborn stated there was discussion and a proposal but all Councils represented were not in favour
- k) Localism Bill have your say drop in March 7<sup>th</sup> 2011 Ripley Leisure Centre 2.00pm till 7.00pm reminder Heage and Ambergate March 24<sup>th</sup> 2011 Sawmills Village Hall .00pm till 7.00pm **item for report**
- l) Cromford Canal Preliminary Scoping and Options Study responses required by February 17<sup>th</sup> 2011 **item for report**
- m) email received regarding loss of footway from Lower Kilburn to Little Eaton  
**RESOLVED** the Clerk is to write back stating thank you for your correspondence but this falls outside the Ripley Township

**5645. Accounts for payment/Income RESOLVED** approved and signed with the exception of 503427 the Clerk is to provide a report to the Council

<b>Cheque No</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Total</b>
503423	L McCormick Clerks salary plus PAYE costs Chq No 503424	£963.34		£963.34
503425	Shelter Maintenance Company	£5.94	£1.19	£7.13
503426	Broxap mild steel open top litter bin	£293.95	£58.79	£352.74
503427	Lamps and Tubes Repairs and Replacements	£3237.60	£647.52	£3885.12
503428	Amber Valley Borough Council monthly Office Rent	£300.00	£60.00	£360.00
503429	Amber Valley Borough Council	£197.21	£1.43	£198.64
DD	BT Internet Services	£105.00	£21.00	£126.00
503430	Derbyshire County Council for Youth Project	£1750.00		£1750.00
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>£6,853.04</b>	<b>£ 789.93</b>	<b>£7,642.97</b>
<b>Income</b>	Derbyshire County Council Books for Library			£36.00

**5646. Cedar Avenue** bench, No Dogs signs, bin and young play equipment to be installed **item for report**

**5647. Planning Applications** separate sheet previously circulated **items for report**  
**Planning Appeal Rising Sun Derby Road** – the appeal was dismissed  
**Planning Appeal Car Parking and Cross Over AVA/2010/0689**

**5648. Items for Information:-** DALC Circular 01/2011 Index - DALC Circular 02/2011 Keeping of Documents – 03/2011 General Circular - DALC Circular 04/2011 Local Council Review Subscription - DALC Circular 05/2011 Training - DALC Circular 06/2011 General - DALC Circular 07/2011 General – Becoming an NHS Trust leaflets – Clerk and Councils Direct – The Clerk magazine – The Playing Field Newsletter – ROSPA Play equipment testing

**PART 2 – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**5649. Clerk’s Annual Review and travel costs**  
**RESOLVED** to agree with the terms of the Clerk’s contract and the NALC LC2 scale

**5650.** Date for next Meeting **March 15<sup>th</sup> 2011 at 7.00pm**