

RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 10 October 2006 at the Town Hall Ripley.

PRESENT

Councillor C Cutting (in the Chair)

Councillors Mrs J N Blake, G Carlile, Mrs. P D Carlile JP, Miss L D Cox, S M Daley, I Fisher, S D Freeborn, M B Gent JP, Mrs. D D Goddard, R H Goddard, Mrs. J H Gregory, Mrs. I Harry, Mrs M E Kent and F A Raphael.

No members of the public were in attendance. (With one Press representative present)

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following police matters were raised. In the absence of PC John Fahey who was unavailable the Town Clerk agreed to pass on the following matters to the Police: -

- (a) Unsocial behaviour - Pear Tree Avenue, Slack Lane/Field Terrace and Waingroves Ripley
- (b) Continued nuisance of mini motorbikes at Bullbridge Ambergate and
- (c) Continued parking of vehicles in restricted areas at the bottom of Oxford Street.

4713 APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillors C A D Eley, W G Fryer MBE, M C Hooley M J Missett, D R Neilson and M J E V Wilson.

4714 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were made.

4715 MINUTES – 12 SEPTEMBER 2006

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 September 2006.

4716 MINUTES - TOWN CENTRE FORUM - 4 SEPTEMBER 2006.

RESOLVED to receive the notes of the Town Centre Forum held on 4 September 2006.

4717 ITEMS IN EXCLUSION

There were no items to be taken in exclusion other than the matter on the Agenda detailed at Minute 4730.

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4718 TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

It was reported that the Town Mayor had attended the following function to represent the Town Council since the last meeting of Council: -

18 Sept	Heage St Lukes Church Grant Cheque Presentation
24 Sept	Chair of the County Council's Summer Reception
29 Sept	McMillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning
29 Sept	Ist Ripley Guides Slide Show

4719 AMBER VALLEY PARTNERSHIP - DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY CONSULTATION

RESOLVED to note the draft Environment Strategy for Amber Valley prepared by the Amber Valley Partnership.

4720 AMBER VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL DRAFT STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES - LICENSING ACT 2005

It was reported that Licensing Authorities were required by the Gambling Act 2005 to prepare and publish a Statement of Principles under the Licensing Act 2005 on how they propose to exercise their functions under the Act during the three year period to which the policy applies. A draft copy of the Amber Valley Borough Council document had been circulated to all Members.

RESOLVED to note the Amber Valley Borough Council Draft Statement of Principles - Licensing Act 2005

4721 PLANNING APPEAL BY NIGEL CLIFTON - AVA/2005/0663 - TO REMOVE CONDITION 12 OF PLANNING APPLICATION AVA/1097/0862 IN RESPECT OF LAND AT THE REAR OF 16, 17,18,19 AND 20 COPPER BEECHES RIPLEY - 5 DECEMBER 2006

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk present the Council's objection to this application at the planning appeal on 5 December 2006

4722 APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS OF DCC PLANNING APPLICATION - PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE OF LAND FROM SAWMILL TO RECYCLING CENTRE AND ASSOCIATED SKIP HIRE OPERATION AT AMBERGATE SAWMILL CODE NO CW6/0805/82

RESOLVED to note that this application had been approved by the County Council with conditions recommended in the report of the Strategic Director

Environmental Services to the Regulator - Planning and Control Committee on 17 July 2006 and the completion of a legal agreement under S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 in accordance with the terms offered by the applicant to ensure that the access/egress gate to the A610 is open during operating hours for the site, to be specified under the conditions to the planning permission.

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4723 CHANGES TO THE KERBSIDE RECYCLING SERVICE - ORANGE BAG FOR CARD AND CORRUGATED CARDBOARD (MINUTE 4712) - REPLY FROM AMBER VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

RESOLVED to note that the Director of Environmental Services had advised that neither cost savings nor additional costs associated with the use of the orange bag had resulted because the revised agreement with the Contractor, Cleanway, increased the range of materials that householders can have collected from their homes while at the same time reducing the risk of recycle contamination and speeding up the collection process.

4724 TRENT BARTON HOT SPOTS - THE ANNUAL LIST OF PINCH POINTS AND BOTTLENECKS

It was reported that because reliability was the customers top priority Trent Barton were anxious to maintain delivery of this key ingredient in the local bus market. Trent Barton had therefore produced a report identifying critical pinch points and bottlenecks in the area, which did affect bus reliability.

In the Town Council area the only identified street in the report was Grosvenor Road Ripley where it was considered that on street parking reduced the capacity of the street and delayed services. The report also detailed that car parking should be confined to car parks to leave the roads free to accommodate moving traffic and the removal of parking bays would create extra road space for bus priority measures. The phasing of the traffic signals at the High Street junction was considered to hinder buses and bus actuation would assist to avoid current delays of 2-5 minutes particularly on Market days.

RESOLVED to note the 2006 report and to welcome the omission from this report the Brookside and Parkside Heage pinch points included in previous reports.

4725 REPLACEMENT GENERATOR FOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TEAM

The Town Clerk reported that the generator used for over ten years by the Christmas Lights Team during the erection of the annual lighting display was now beyond repair and required replacement.

RESOLVED to authorise the purchase of a replacement generator at an estimated cost of £400 plus VAT that can be contained within the Christmas Lights

Budget.

4726 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCIL'S

RESOLVED to note the information contained in Circulars 34/06, 35/06 and 36/06.

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4727 FINANCE

RESOLVED 1) to authorise the under mentioned payments: -

Town Clerk's Salary	£693.00
Inland Revenue	£342.35
B Wood (Postages to 28.9.2006 - £241.22) Balance	£126.61
Lady Jowitt (Rent 3 Grosvenor Road)	£462.50
Derbyshire County Council (Traffic Calming - Heage)	£2000.00
Shelter Maintenance	£6.78
Staples (Printer Cartridges)	£100.43
Total	£3731.67

2) to note the income received since the last meeting:-

Kirk Hallam Building Co (Traffic Calming - Heage)	£2000.00
AVBC (Summer Entertainment Programme)	£190.00
AVBC (Precept)	£25350.00
Total	£27540.00

3) to note the 2006/2007 Budget Review/Risk Assessment Report for the period to 29 September 2006.

4728 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Receipt of the following items was reported for the information of Members:

- (a) Town and Parish Standard 07 - July 2006
- (b) Derbyshire Local Transport Plan 2001 - 2006 Delivery Report (See World Wide Web.derbyshire.gov.uk/transport-planning)
- (c) DCC Car Child Seat Checking Events September and October
- (d) Amber Valley Borough Council - Listen to your views survey
- (e) AVBC Fifth Annual Scrutiny Report 2005/2006
- (f) The Gambling Act 2005 - Training materials for Licensing Authorities
- (g) DCC Health of Derbyshire - First Report - World Wide Web.Derbyshire.gov.uk/healthofderbyshirereport
- (h) DCC Young Achievers Award 2006

4729 PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following item of business in accordance with the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act, 1960 as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the recommendations made in respect of Minute 4730.

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4730 CERTIFICATE OF MERIT SUB-COMMITTEE - 22 SEPTEMBER 2006

RESOLVED to approve the recommendations contained in the Minutes of the Certificate of Merit Sub-Committee held on 22 September as shown at Appendix 1 to these Minutes.

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