

IRONVILLE PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 2016
MONDAY 4th JULY 2016
IRONVILLE COMMUNITY ROOM, VICTORIA CRESCENT, IRONVILLE
COMMENCING AT 7.00 P.M.

Present:

Councillor J. W. Brown (Chair)

Councillors J. Bates, Mrs. K. Brown, P. Clark, Mrs. P. Cope, Mrs. R. L. Daniel, P. Smith & Mrs. K. Whitehouse.

Also in attendance were seven members of public.

23/2017 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Councillor R. Tailby.

24/2017 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE VICE CHAIRMAN 2016 – 2017

RESOLVED:-

Councillor Mrs. K. Whitehouse signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, countersigned by the Clerk.

25/2017 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REGISTER OF INTERESTS

The Chairman declared a personal interest in planning application for 3 Station Road, Codnor Park. The Member remained within the meeting room but did not discuss or vote on the matter.

26/2017 MINUTES

RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held 16th May 2016 approved. The Chairman signed the Minutes as a correct record on behalf of the Parish Council.

27/2017 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

(a) **Matters raised by the Public**

- i. **Allotment Gardens** representatives attended the meeting. Miss L. Holgate agreed to draft an application for the Awards for All bid and advised AVCVS had agreed to assist.
- ii. **Monument Hill** reports of water/sewerage concerns after heavy rainfall. British Telecom had agreed to carry out repairs (report from Chairman).
- iii. **Casson Street Play Area** The Clerk reported on response received from Futures Homescape. **RESOLVED** a site meeting to be requested between the organisation and Parish Council.
- iv. **Community Magazine** Mr. A. Cadman reported the next newsletter was due for print in September 2016.

(b) **Police Reports**

Apologies for absence received from the Beat Team. Concerns with motorbikes using the Forge site. Mr. Cadman reported of his liaison with Police Officers over the issue. **RESOLVED** that a letter to be sent to Derbyshire Constabulary.

(c) **Parish Lengthsman** No report.

(d) **Borough Council Reports from Borough Councillor J. W. Brown & P. Smith**

No reports.

(e) **County Council Report from County Councillor Paul Smith**

- Temporary closure of Greenway whilst footway link on canalside carried out.
- Patching works undertaken and ready for resurface on Victoria Street, Ironville.
- Meetings with Thriving Community Project underway.
- Improvement works around OAP Centre. Future Homescapes requested to provide labour and survey to identify most urgent requirements.
- Unicorns require space for operating bike project
- Meeting to take place 8th July 2016 with Dr. Mott (based at Jessop Medical Practice) to look at health provision operational from the Ironville Community Centre .
- Review of assistance to reduce the burden of heating costs for residents. Robin Hood Electric can provide economy evening power for communities.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Council, thanked Cllr Smith for his informative report.

28/2017 **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported the parish floral areas enhanced the area and the canal path was installed and had made a good improvement to the canalside.

29/2017 **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

- a) **Codnor Park & Ironville Walking Group** No report.
- b) **Futures Homescape** A new Officer for the area appointed.
- c) **Town & Parish Liaison Group** Meeting proposed for 27th June 2016 cancelled.
- d) **Unicorns** Cllr P. Clark reported on event held in the parish on 22nd May 2016 to celebrate Shakespeare. Grant from TMC for the bike repair project. Sponsored silent walk around the Codnor Park Reservoir planned. Ironville's Got Talent proposed. Arty Party information noted. Allotment Site. The group reported one plot would be relinquished and one plot to be retained.

RESOLVED:-

That the reports received.

30/2017 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

- (a) **Allotment Site Meadow Road** Cllr Mrs. P. Cope reported the garages had been removed from Meadow Street and a robust timber fence had been installed on the boundary line by Futures Homescape.
- (b) **Allotment Tenancy Agreement** New tenancy agreement drafted for tenants. Cllr Cope had visited the site to number plots. All tenants had expressed their approval of the new fencing. Noted there was not unanimous support for the formation of an Allotments Association, which would have its own constitution. The tenants were advised that an association would become responsible for costs associated with management of the site including strimming, water rates etc. On average, strimming of the site was estimated at around £11.00 per hour; water rates on average at £40.00 per annum. Allotment rents collected.
- (c) **Floral Hanging Baskets & Planters** The displays were generally in good condition.
- (d) **Parish Skip** the next skip to be booked for Saturday 24th September 2016 at Meadow Street next to the allotment gardens on base of former garages through Belper Skip Hire from 10 a.m. until 12 noon or until the skip was full. Parish Lengthsman to attend.
- (e) **Volunteers in Codnor Park & Ironville** Cllr Clark reported on the excellent work carried out by volunteers around the canal and parish areas. Work funded on the canalside by Friends of Cromford Canal and Waterways Trust, fences painted, Parkside Drive painting carried out, removal of graffiti from railway bridge through Network Rail, Crossings Club car park tidied.

RESOLVED:-

That the reports received.

31/2017 DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

Copies of circulars distributed to Council:-

- a) Transparency Code for larger Councils
- b) Public Works Loan Board consultation requires responses by 3rd August 2016
- c) Circular 10/2016 (i) Retirement of Chief Officer (ii) Annual Executive Committee AGM Thursday 6th October 2016 10 a.m. until 12.30 p.m. at Wirksworth with Derbyshire Police & Crime Commissioner Hardyal Dhindsa as speaker. (iii) Executive Members for 2016 – 2019 for DALC. Currently 4 vacancies. Nominations through Council with allocation on first come basis due to the mid-term vacancies situation.

RESOLVED:-

That the information noted.

32/2017 **PLANNING MATTERS**

The Council considered the following application:-

AVA/2016/0572 3 Station Road Codnor Park two storey rear extension.

RESOLVED:-

No objections raised.

33/2017 **AMENDMENT TO PARISH COUNCIL CALENDAR OF MEETINGS**

RESOLVED:-

That the meeting originally to take place on Monday 14th November 2016 amended to take place on Monday 7th November 2016 at 7.00 p.m.

34/2017 **DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL LEGAL DEPARTMENT – MONUMENT LANE**

It was reported the Government Inspector had called an inquiry to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday 13th and 14th September 2016 regarding an application for BOAT along Monument Lane and New Road. Further particulars would be provided to the community in due course.

RESOLVED:-

The date of the inquiry noted for Monday 13th September 2016 at Ironville.

That a letter to be sent to the Inspector in support of the opening of the right of way.

35/2017 **PARISH WAR MEMORIAL**

Cllr Bates reported on the improvement project at the war memorial, with a Re-dedication Service planned to take place at Christ Church, Ironville on 10th September 2016.

RESOLVED:-

That the information noted. Cllr Bates was thanked for his work towards the project.

36/2017 **FINANCE REPORT**

- a) **Financial Report July 2016** Gross expenditure to date in the sum of £7911.97 as per attached sheet.
- b) **Income 2016 – 2017** to date £7500.00 precept.
- c) **External Audit 2015 – 2016** confirmation all information had been submitted to Grant Thornton.

37/2016 **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC ORDER**

RESOLVED:-

That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

38/2017 **STAFF MATTERS**

RESOLVED:-

That an Assistant to the Clerk to be appointed at a rate of 1.5 hours per week.
That the Clerk reduce hours from 3 to 1.5 hours per week from appointment of Assistant.

39/2017 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting to take place on Monday 12th September 2016 at 7.00 p.m.
Notification the Council meeting changed in November 2016 from 14th to 7th November 2016.
There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.