

**IRONVILLE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 2017**  
**MONDAY 20<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017**  
**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, R. Tailby & Mrs. K. Whitehouse.

Also in attendance were six members of the public.

**85/2017      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Derbyshire Constabulary.

**86/2017      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REGISTER OF INTERESTS**

None received.

**87/2017      MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:-**

That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 approved. The Chairman signed the Minutes as a correct record on behalf of the Parish Council.

**88/2017      PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

- i. No attendance from Amber Valley Children's Centre. An invitation will be extended for the next meeting.
- ii. Mr. A. Cadman addressed the meeting regarding the heritage of the village and his report on the Butterley Court building was received with interest. A heritage board has now been installed outside of the building with approval from the Landlords. Noted improvements will be carried out to preserve the integrity of the building and to revert it to its former glory. Residents were invited to submit their comments to the Landlords on the restoration of the building. Contact information was provided within an information leaflet on the building and its history.
- iii. **RESOLVED** that a response to be forwarded from the Parish Council to the Landlords to acknowledge the excellent works to date in restoration of the building.
- iv. **Ironville House, Cinder Bank** Cllr Smith reported the building was monitored by the Borough Council Planning Department in view of the Grade II Listing status. The meeting noted the original planning approval was for the conversion of the building to contain 6 apartments. The meeting

noted very little work was being currently undertaken on the site. The Chairman agreed to liaise with the Planning Department and report back to the Parish Council at the next meeting.

- v. **Strollers** Mr. Blount reported the group was to be known as Ironville Strollers rather than walking group.
- vi. **Complaint street signage** A complaint was received regarding the lack of directional signage for flats on Adelaide Walk and King William Centre. **RESOLVED** a letter to be sent to the Borough Council for action.

**(b) Police Reports**

Apologies received from Derbyshire Constabulary. Residents were encouraged to contact the authority on 101 to report any incidents, with 999 for emergencies.

- (c) Parish Lengthsman** Confirmation the skip event was very successful held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at King William Square. Discussion of a skip later in the year would be an agenda item for future meetings.

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

**Borough Councillor J. W. Brown**

Cllr Brown reported on the Local Plan under consultation through the Borough Council with allocation of further areas within the parish under consideration for development. No core strategy was currently in place for the borough. A speedy resolution was supported by the Council.

**Borough & County Council Report from County Councillor Paul Smith**

- Cllr Smith reported on further funds allocated to the Breakfast Club through his Community Fund through Derbyshire County Council. A Community Kitchen was also up and running supported by the County Council. Both initiatives received a resounding vote of support from the Parish Council.
- Discussion of heritage village signs and boards held. Cinder Bank parking scheme approved. Highway schemes reported for areas in the parish to be inspected for repair. Surface dressing issues reported and re-programmed in for installation.
- A report on the improvement of the Community Room received, with works undertaken including new windows and other works to be completed including new kitchen, re-wiring, etc. A discussion for further use of the community room by the parish underway.
- Update on the Monument Lane Bridleway. Cllr Smith reported the access gates now remained unlocked, with the gates due for removal. A request for resurfacing of Long Penny Lane noted.
- Options for early childcare and venue noted. Spaces available including the village school under consideration.

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

**89/2017**      **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

No report.

**90/2017**      **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

- a) **Amber Valley Access (Cllr R. Tailby)**      No report.
- b) **Ironville Strollers Group**      Group actively organising walks. Update on stepping stones area at Jacksdale. Two islands created for wildlife.
- c) **Futures Homescape**      No report.
- d) **Town & Parish Liaison Group**      No report.
- e) **Unicorns (Cllr P. Clark)**      No report.
- f) **Ironville Breakfast Club (information)**      Oscari now running the scheme.
  
- g) **Codnor Park & Ironville Project Cllr Clark** reported on damage to the heritage walls in the village. The meeting noted various ownership issues regarding the ownership of the walls. Damage noted at the Crossings Club and on Forge Lane. Mr. Cadman reported on the Lock Keepers area. The owners of the Butterley Court had information on ownership of the canal wall. A recent litter pick organized by Cllr Clark generated 30 sacks of debris.
  
- h) **Ironbridge Project RESOLVED** the item to be added onto future agendas for discussion and updates.

**RESOLVED:-**

That the reports received.

**91/2017**      **APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY MONUMENT LANE**

The meeting noted the approval by the Planning Inspectorate for Monument Lane and New Road (Long Lane) on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 for confirmation of modification order to add the above to the definitive map for Derbyshire as a bridleway route. Cllr P. Smith confirmed that the gate would be removed but at the current time the gate remained unlocked for access.

**RESOLVED:-**

That the information noted.

**92/2017**      **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

- (a) **Allotment Site Meadow Road** Cllr Mrs. P. Cope reported on the success of the Awards for All to improve the allotment site. However, funds were still awaited from the Lottery and no programme of improvements could be implemented until monies received.
  
- (b) **Floral Hanging Baskets & Planters** No report.
  
- (c) **Parish Skip** It was reported the event held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2017 was very successful.

- (d) **Village Heritage Signs** The Clerk confirmed a bid was under preparation for submission to the Lottery Heritage Awards to provide three village signs depicting the heritage and integrity of the parish. Mrs. J. Smalley had been appointed to prepare the bid on a no win no fee basis.
- (e) **Greenway Signage** Cllr Smith reported on proposals for signage on the Codnor Park reservoir and footpaths including interpretation boards. Copies of the signage would be brought to the next meeting. Noted roadway signage would be removed from the Monument Lane area following completion of works.

**RESOLVED:-**

- i. That the reports received.
- ii. That the next skip (c) to be approved for early September 2017, subject to further agreement by the Council of date.
- iii. That the Heritage Bid (d) endorsed.

**93/2017      DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**

**Circulars** received from the Association circulated as follows:-

- a) **2/17** Subscription charges 2017/2018; Transparency code for smaller local Councils; audit appointments; HR matters, grants, improving the health of communities
- b) **3/17** Rural Services in England; introduction of discretionary business rates relief on public toilets owned by local authorities; 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the tree charter; Keep Britain Tidy; the Better Broadband subsidy scheme; legal topic note updates.
- c) **4/17** DALC Spring Seminar; Local Council Award Scheme; Section 137 increase for 2017/2018; proposals to extend the remit of Local Government Ombudsman to local Parish & Town Councils; Neighbourhood Planning Bill update; increases to statutory redundancy pay and unfair dismissal compensation; Charles Arnold Baker update; legal topic notes.

**RESOLVED:-**

That the information noted.

**94/2017      PLANNING MATTERS**

The Council considered the following application:-

2 Cheviot Avenue Codnor Park AVA/2017/0282 – two storey side extension.

**RESOLVED:-**

No objections raised.

**95/2017**      **FINANCE REPORT TO 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2017**

- a) **Financial Report to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2016** schedule as attached. Income to date £16,746.59. Expenditure to date 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016 gross £14,512.49 cheque numbers 401565 to 401676.
- b) **Budget 2017 – 2018** information received and considered.

**RESOLVED:-**

That the payments approved as per schedule from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016 as attached schedule of payments cheque numbers 401565 to 401693 showing a gross total in the sum of £20,309.73 including direct debits to British Telecom. A year end balance to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 will be made available at the Annual Parish Council Meeting May 2017.

That a precept requirement in the sum of £15,000 to be submitted to Amber Valley Borough Council for the year 2017 – 2018 based on the budget predictions for the same period.

**83/2017**      **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**RESOLVED:-**

That a request for attention to the damaged concrete bollards outside the Post Office area on Cinder Bank to be reported to Futures Homescape.

Speeding concerns with traffic along Queen Street and Market Street. Cllr J. Bates had reported the matter to Police.

**84/2017**      **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting to take place on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017 commencing at 7.00 p.m. in the Community Room, Victoria Crescent, Ironville which will be the Annual Parish Assembly followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting 2017.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.17 p.m.