

# Ironville Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, held at The Community Room, Victoria Crescent, Ironville on Monday 11 September 2017 at 7.00pm

Present: Chairman: Councillor JW Brown  
Councillors: J Bates, K Brown, P Clark, P Cope, RL  
Daniel and R Tailby (arrived at 7.25pm)

Apologies Councillors P Smith and K Whitehouse

Also in Attendance: Kath Gruber (Parish Clerk)  
7 members of the public

### NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

#### **60/2017 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors P Smith and K Whitehouse

#### **61/2017 Variation of Order of Business**

None

#### **62/2017 Declaration of Members Interest**

Councillors JW Brown and K Brown declared an interest in the planning application AVA/2017/0690 in item 17

#### **63/2017 PUBLIC SPEAKING (item 4)**

Michael Blount

- Signage for King William Centre is required

Andy Cadman

- It is important that things are preserved at Ironville House; requested the Chair asks the planners to visit the site to understand what needs preserving
- Questioned what happened with the planning application for the doctor's surgery
- Queried what had progressed with the road sign bid

Mr Frost

- Appreciates the work done to clear and tidy the canal by Friends of Cromford Canal (FCC).
- Requested Chair talks to them about the brambles and rubbish still left behind near the towpath. Concerned the FCC may decide to burn it all.
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Borough Councillor JW Brown

- Updated the Parish Council advising that directional signage for King William Street will be installed by the Borough Council in October

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- Advised the Parish Council of the planning application placed by Golden Valley

**64/2017 Exclusion of the Public**

No exclusion deemed necessary.

**65/2017 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting**

**Resolved:** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 19 June 2017 and on 3 July 2017 were confirmed as a correct record under the Parish Council provisions for approval and signed by the Chairman.

**66/2017 Parish Lengthsman Report**

The Clerk updated the Parish Council on her discussion with the Lengthsman and his report that the Skip Event on 9 September went very well, the skip was full and everything left clean and tidy.

**67/2017 Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman updated the Parish Council as follows:

- There has been much improvement in the reduction of dog mess as dog walkers picking up
- The canal towpath is holding up and continues to be very well used
- The hanging baskets around the village look fantastic
- The Chairman will pick up on the issues raised by the public under item 4 – Public Speaking

**68/2017 Environmental Matters**

**a) Allotment Site Meadow Road**

Councillor P Cope updated the Council that all 14 plots are rented and the fees have been paid and passed to the Parish Clerk. The fence has improved the site significantly.

**b) Hanging Baskets**

Councillors agreed the current floral displays were the best to date

**c) Skip Initiative**

Another date will be agreed at the November meeting on receipt of the half-year budget position

**d) Parish Heritage Signs**

An Awards for All Heritage bid has been submitted.

**69/2017 Report of the Clerk**

• **Action plan and actions arising from the last meeting**

The Clerk updated the Council that she will keep an action log of agreed decisions so that the Parish Council can review progress at meetings

• **General Correspondence**

Noted

• **Parish Council Staff Matters**

None

• **Ironville Parish Council Facebook Page**

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The Clerk has set up a Facebook Page where messages can be posted for those residents who like to use Social Media.

**70/2017 Application to Transparency Fund**

The Council considered the report of the Clerk on what Government require Parish Councils to publish and **Resolved:** to apply to the Transparency Fund to set up a Parish Council website.

**71/2017 Remembrance Service on Sunday 12 November 2017**

The Council discussed arrangements and **Resolved:**

- Councillor P Smith to act as representative at Riddings Service
- Councillor JW Brown to act as representative at Ironville Christ Church

**72/2017 Consultations**

None

**73/2017 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**

The Council noted the contents of Circulars 08-17 and 09-17

**74/2017 FINANCE**

**a) Accounts for Payment up to 11 September 2017**

The Meeting considered the payments to 11 September 2017, as attached at Schedule 1

**Resolved:** the schedules of accounts for the month to 11 September 2017 to be initialled and approved by the Chairman, with cheque duly signed by the Members.

**b) External Auditor Report**

The Clerk explained that this had not yet been received from Pells

**c) Grant Application**

Councillor P Cope requested the Council consider a grant application for purchase of blinds to furnish the Community Room. It was **Resolved:** that the application form be completed for consideration at the November meeting.

**d) Clerk's Contract of Employment**

The Council reviewed the draft contract proposed by the previous Clerk and discussed the responsibilities of the new clerk. It was **Resolved:**

- To change the Clerk's weekly hours from 3 pw to 4 pw
- That the Clerk takes on the RFO duties and manages the accounts instead of Pells

**75/2017 Planning Applications**

Councillors considered 6 planning applications with Councillors JW Brown and K Brown leaving the meeting when application AVA/2017/0690 was considered **Resolved:** To raise no objections

**76/2017 Items for information only**

To receive reports from representatives on outside bodies

1. Amber Valley Access - Cllr Tailby reported no meeting held.
2. Ironville Strollers Group. Cllr P Clark advised that the weekly walks continue from the village locally and further afield.

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3. Futures Homescape Limited - Cllrs Mrs. K. Brown & Mrs. P. Cope advised that Futures would attend the coffee mornings monthly on Mondays between 10am and 11am to make themselves available to residents. This will start from the 1st Monday in October (2/10/2017). Residents are advised to raise grievances by telephone in-between the meetings rather than store them up.
  4. Friends of Ironville & Codnor Park. Cllr P Clark updated the Council that regular volunteer work continues along the canal and around the village. A powerful 2 wheeled strimmer has been bought and is in use by volunteers to keep the canal footpath and paths across the Forge clear and pleasant to walk along. A sponsored walk by the volunteers has raised £2,000. A recent volunteer led survey at the stepping stones was reported to the council. He raised concerns about the graffiti and overhanging trees from the Monkey Bridge and the bridge over the main road to Jacksdale. It was agreed that the Parish Clerk would write to Network Rail and Midland Railway Centre on these matters.
- Lawn Bridge Project – Cllrs J Brown & P Clark. A meeting is to take place later in September.
  - To receive any other items for information only and items to be included on the next agenda
    - Improvements along the canal – Liz Holgate updated the Council on the volunteer led developments along the canal. She sought Council support on 2 projects:
      - Rebuilding Humpy Bridge at the basin near Jacksdale – this is a long-term project with funding being sought from Heritage Lottery Fund. The Council gave support to this.
      - Replacing the stepping stones crossing with a boardwalk. The Council advised that a S137 grant application form should be submitted for consideration at the November meeting.
    - Rusty Gate entrance to the Forge – this needs repainting and Councillor P Clark suggested volunteers would paint it if paint was supplied. The Council discussed ownership of the land with Chair offering to investigate. The Council expressed their wish for Derbyshire Wildlife Trust (DWT), who own the adjoining land, be approached to take on this land if possible. Cllr P Clark to contact DWT

**77/2017 Date and Time of Next meeting**

**Resolved:** that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on: Monday 20 November 2017 at 7.00pm at the Community Room, Victoria Crescent, Ironville.

**Part 2 - Confidential Information**

None

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The Meeting closed at 20.05pm

**Schedule 1**

**IRONVILLE PARISH COUNCIL**

**2017-2018**

Cheque	Payee Brought forward	Description 2017-2018	Nett	VAT	Gross
401694	Lengthsman	Salary & expenses May 17	331.60	0.00	331.60
401695	Came & Co	Annual insurance policy	364.74	0.00	364.74
401696	Bailey Brook House	Laser copy labels	24.30	4.86	29.16
401697	HMRC	April payment	42.60	0.00	42.60
401698	County Council	Grit supplies	252.95	50.59	303.54
401699	HMRC	May payment	42.60	0.00	42.60
401700	Miss Holgate	Photographic materials reimburse	20.00	0.00	20.00
401451	HMRC	June payment	127.80	0.00	127.80
401452	Clerk	April salary/expenses	182.25	0.00	182.25
401453	Lengthsman	April salary/expenses	331.40	0.00	331.40
401454	Staff	Office expenditure fee	520.00	0.00	520.00
401455	Pells	Auto enrolment fee	100.00	20.00	120.00
401456	Ilkeston Fencing	Fencing to allotment site	2530.00	506.00	3036.00
401457	Bailey Brook House	Postage stamps	68.40	0.00	68.40
401458	OAP Centre	Annual rental of community room	120.00	0.00	120.00
401459	Admin assistant	Hours worked	288.00	0.00	288.00
401460	Premier 1	Baskets & maintenance contract	1548.00	309.60	1857.60
401461	DALC	Annual subscriptions plus training	553.71	0.00	553.71
401462	Lengthsman	June salary/expenses	341.80	0.00	341.80
401463	Clerk	June salary/expenses	85.19	0.00	85.19
401464	HMRC	June payment	15.60	0.00	15.60
401465	Admin assistant	June payment	78.00	0.00	78.00
401466	Cllr J. Brown	Reimbursement flowers	90.00	0.00	90.00
401467	Cubit	Lamp testing for baskets	168.75	0.00	168.75
401468	Pells	Accounts & audit 2016 2017	1045.00	209.00	1254.00
401469	Bailey Brook House	Postage stamps	23.52	0.00	23.52
401470	Zedal	PPE and cleaning equipment	127.68	25.54	153.22
dd	Co-operative Bank	Audit charge	30.00	0.00	30.00
dd	British Telecom	Internet and phone costs	201.99	40.40	242.39
401471	DALC	Course Cllr P. Clark	40.00	0.00	40.00

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401472	HMRC	July payment	5.80	0.00	5.80
401473	HMRC	June payment	32.00	0.00	32.00
401474	Lengthsman	July salary & expenses	341.80	0.00	341.80
401475	Office admin	July salary & expenses	78.00	0.00	78.00
401476	Clerk	July salary & expenses	92.00	0.00	92.00
401477	HMRC	August payment	6.40	0.00	6.40
401478	Lengthsman	August salary & expenses	345.00	0.00	345.00
401479	Clerk	August salary & expenses	67.15	0.00	67.15
401480	Admin assistant	August salary & expenses	65.00	0.00	65.00
401481	Shelter Mainten	May cleaning	17.85	3.57	21.42
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			<b>10764.73</b>	<b>1173.13</b>	<b>11937.86</b>
<b>INCOME</b>					
Opening balance			981.94		
Lottery grant			5700.00		
Half year precept			7500.00		
VAT claims			<b>1946.59</b>		
			16128.53		
Less expenditure gross	less expenditure gross to date		<b>11937.86</b>		
			<b>4190.67</b>		
VAT claim submitted for 1.4.17 to 30.6.17			1165.99		
VAT for 2016 2017			780.60		
	<b>Received 28.7.17</b>		<b>1946.59</b>		

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