

# Ironville Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, held at The Community Room, Victoria Crescent, Ironville on Monday 19 March 2018 at 7.00pm

Present: Chairman: Councillor JW Brown  
Councillors: R Tailby, K Whitehouse, P Smith, P Clark, P  
Cope and J Bates

Apologies: Councillors K Brown and RL Daniel

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

### NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

#### 01/03/2018 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors K Brown and RL Daniel

#### 02/03/2018 Variation of Order of Business

None

#### 03/03/2018 Declaration of Members Interest

None

#### 04/03/2018 PUBLIC SPEAKING (item 4)

##### Andy Cadman

- Gave details of letter he wrote, at request of Parish Council on 20/11/17, to Councillor Trevor Ainsworth, regarding the Lawn Bridge Project and the disappointing response to it.
- Drew the Council's attention to page 13 of the Newsletter and the accessibility problems for walkers caused by the motorcycle barriers. He noted that a DCC Rights of Way officer had plans to address this in 2013 but as the officer no longer works at the County Council these plans haven't been realised.

##### Liz Holgate

- Advised the Council of the meeting to be held on Thursday 22/3/18 at 3.30pm and its aim of increasing understanding of areas where the various local volunteer groups and councils can work collaboratively for the benefit of the village.

##### Kieran Shanks

- Expressed his concerns about the flooding on Coach Road and how the areas being developed are contributing to this. Asked the Council what was being done to address this.
- Noted the comment of a resident regarding this being an AVBC planning issue.

##### Derbyshire County Councillor P Smith:

- Expressed his concern over the response from Councillor Ainsworth who had commented that it wasn't known where the £50k investment in

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the Lawn Bridge project had been spent despite all the expenditure being logged and with the Rights of Way team

- Explained that the project is not in DCC Local Transport Plan but that it remains in the Cycle Network Strategy.
- Advised the Council that the topography of Coach Road & engineering works over the years is resulting in trapped water.
- He had arranged for Flood Warning signs to be installed last weekend and arranged for the Highways Inspector to put some grips into the road.
- In addition, he has arranged for a jetting lorry to jet the pipe that runs into the canal and this work is scheduled for next week. He has instructed the inspectors to look at the whole of the road as the stable, hardcore and ploughed land are all contributing to the problem.
- He noted concerns of residents regarding vehicles travelling at speed along the road.
- He is chasing works required on pot holes in the village.
- Repairs to Cinder Bank scheduled for 27/3/18
- Regarding the motorcycle barriers he advised that he will ask Pete White to progress this.
- Updated the Council on the budget position at DCC. Council Tax is increasing by 5.1% yet the County still will face £12M in cuts and impacts of this will be seen in the winter maintenance works; school crossing and road resurfacing.

#### Amber Valley Borough Councillor Paul Smith

- Updated the Council on the budget position at AVBC. Council Tax is being increased by 3.1% (approximately a £5 increase per household)
- The Council are looking at ways to raise more money through release of assets.

#### Police – in the absence of the PCSO Cllr Bates raised:

- The ongoing ASB issues relating to motorcycles.

#### **05/03/2018 Exclusion of the Public**

**Resolved:** To move the following resolution - “That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted in agenda item 14 (in respect of a discussion on staffing matters). it is considered in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they are instructed to withdraw pursuant to the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960.”.

#### **06/03/2018 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting**

**Resolved:** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 8 January 2018 were confirmed as a correct record (subject to some minor, non-material amendments) under the Parish Council provisions for approval and signed by the Chairman.

#### **07/03/2018 Environmental Matters**

1. New stable on Coach Road – flooding concerns

Councillor Smith advised that the jetting works discussed in item 4 would take place as soon as traffic management is organised, and the works are expected to be done this week or next.

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2. Gap created near the end of the houses at the Ironville end of the Coach Road

It was **Resolved:** that further investigation was needed (Willow Cottage).

3. FP17

The Council discussed the problems with fallen trees near Monkey Bridge and it was **Resolved:** to contact Highways

### **08/03/2018 Improving our Village**

- a) SOV

The Council reviewed the SOV list presented by Councillor Clark and it was **Resolved:** that the spreadsheet be updated based on jobs and allocations discussed.

- b) Directional signage

The Council discussed concerns regarding the decision by DCC not to install directional signage to the King William Centre and it was **Resolved:** that Councillor Smith will discuss this with officers at DCC

### **09/2018 Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman advised the Council of the litter pick carried out last Saturday. Another is scheduled for Saturday 24/3/2018 at 10.30am

### **10/2018 Report of the Clerk**

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

The Clerk updated the Council as to progress on the Action Plan and matters arising from the January 2018 meeting

- **General Correspondence**

Noted

- **Request for Memorial Bench**

Request has been refused by the Canal and River Trust as they are reviewing their policies and are not currently accepting any further requests.

- **Vat Return**

The Clerk advised this had been submitted and claim has been paid in full by HMRC.

### **11/03/2018 Parish Council Website**

- a) To agree next steps regarding information posted

The Council noted the progress made with the website which is fully compliant with Government Transparency Regulations. They noted the further pages to be added (Policies; Community).

- b) To agree set up of Councillor emails

The Council noted the facility of Councillors having dedicated Ironville Parish Council email addresses. It was **Resolved:** to roll these out on a gradual basis according to skill sets and training needs.

- c) To consider purchase of Tablets for Councillors

The Council considered the Clerk's proposal and discussed the pros and cons, it was **Resolved:**

- 1) The Clerk to revise the business case based on purchase of 6 tablets.
- 2) The Clerk to provide information on the rationale for residents

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- 3) To defer a decision until the May 2018 meeting

### **13/03/2018 Consultations**

The Council noted the current consultations on:

- Codnor Park and Ironville War Memorial - ending Feb 2018
- HLF's future direction and funding – ending 22/3/18

### **14/03//2018 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**

The Council noted the contents 01/18 to 04/18 and the work the Clerk is required to complete to ensure the Council is compliant with the General Data Protection Regulations that come into effect 26/5/2018.

### **15/03/2018 Finance**

#### **a) Accounts for Payment up to 19 March 2018**

The Council considered the payments to 19 March 2018, as attached at Schedule 1 and **Resolved:** this schedules of accounts to be initialled and approved by the Chairman, with cheques signed by the Members.

#### **b) ) To approve change of Pin to access Bank Account**

The Council discussed the need to request a new PIN and **Resolved:** to submit the form which was signed by the Council's bank signatories

#### **c) To consider lamp post testing**

The Council noted this was a health and safety requirement for hanging the floral planters on lampposts and **Resolved:** to approve the works.

### **16/03/2018 Planning Applications**

- a) The Council considered planning application AVA/2018/0082 and **Resolved:** to raise no objections.
- b) Ironville House – the Council discussed concerns that site visit had still not been undertaken and **Resolved:** to contact AVBC Head of Planning regarding this.

### **17/032018 Items for information only**

- **Reports from representatives on outside bodies**

Councillor Whitehouse extended an invitation to all Councillors to attend the Licensing of Revd Mark Taylor as Priest-in-Charge of Ironville on Wednesday 25 April at 7.30pm at Christ Church.

- To receive any other items for information only and items to be included on the next agenda

Councillor Whitehouse gave an update on the costs of a flagpole for the Church and advised that a S137 grant request will be included on next agenda.

### **18/03/2018 Date and Time of Next Meeting**

It was **Resolved:** that the next meetings of the Parish Council will be held at the Community Room, Victoria Crescent, Ironville. On Monday 21 May 2018 to immediately follow the AGM and AGM (the AGM will start at 7.00pm).

## **Part 2 - Confidential Information**

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