

# Ironville Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, held at The Community Room, Victoria Crescent, Ironville on Monday 8 January 2018 at 7.00pm

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

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

The Chairman opened the meeting by wishing everyone a Happy New Year. He expressed his sorrow regarding Hilda Benford and a minute's silence was held.

### **NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

#### **01/2018 Apologies for Absence**

None

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

None

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

Councillors JW Brown, K Brown and Whitehouse declared an interest in item 19 – Planning applications. Councillor Clark declared an interest in item 18 (b) – S137 grant applications.

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

##### Michael Blount

- Signage pointing towards King William Centre is still required, and the Parish Council agreed to follow this up.
- New LED lights have been installed on Victoria Street.

##### Neil Frost

- Reported that there is significant subsidence on Coach Road near Happy Valley.
- Requested that the Parish Council report to the police the influx of quad bike racing on Saturday evenings.
- Rubbish from bins continually left out on King William Street, Deepdale and around the centre of the village remains an issue.

##### Dave Fisher and Deborah Biss

- Introduced themselves as members of Friends of Belper Parks and the new owners of the Forge Site. They plan to develop a local nature reserve and preserve this for the future.
- Dave has been part of Butterfly Conservation for 22 years and is a bee-keeper.

##### County Councillor P Smith updated the Council on the following:

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- DCC are monitoring the subsidence problem on Coach Road. To aid safety the speed limit has been reduced and the centre carriage lines have been removed.
- The Parish Council considered the issues raised and **Resolved:** to invite the Police and Crime Commissioner to the next Parish Council meeting. They thanked the Forge owners for their work already undertaken and that planned. They drew attention to:
  - DCC's commitment to public open spaces in Amber Valley.
  - The Balancing Pond on the site which floods in Winter.
  - The network of bridleways that links with Jacksdale.
  - Local volunteers have started work litter picking and tidying up the site.
  - A start-up meeting taking place at 7pm on 29/1/18 in the Club Room at the Village Hall.

#### **05/2018 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."

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

**Resolved:** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 20 November 2017 were confirmed as a correct record under the Parish Council provisions for approval and signed by the Chairman.

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

- Allotment Site Meadow Road** - Cllr Cope advised that an allotment holder was willing to carry out the strimming tasks. The Council **Resolved:** to accept this offer providing the price was low.
- Skip Initiative Update** – The Clerk confirmed the next event was held on Saturday 13 January 2018

#### **08/2018 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) Clean -Up application

The Clerk explained the new scheme being implemented by DCC and it was **Resolved:** to apply requesting monkey bridge be added to the clean-up schedule.

##### c) Fly-Tipping

This was allocated in the SOV discussions

#### **09/2018 Parish Heritage Signs**

The Clerk updated the Council on the new application she was completing, and it was **Resolved** that:

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- Councillor Smith is to be the lead on the application and will quality assure it before submission.
- The Clerk to seek input from the community groups in the village to ensure the application is robust

### **10/2018 Street Light Reports**

Councillor Smith confirmed all those reported had been actioned.

### **11//2018 Battle's Over – A Nation's Tribute**

The Council reviewed the paper submitted by the Clerk and Resolved

- 1) combine the Ironville and Codnor Remembrance Parades and the WWI Beacons of Light to take place on Sunday 11 November 2018
- 2) delegate organisation to the leadership of Cllr K Whitehouse supported by the Parish Clerk
- 3) bring a further report to the May 2018 Parish Council meeting.

### **12/2018 Chairman's Announcements**

Covered at the start of the meeting.

### **13/2018 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 November 2017 meeting

- **General Correspondence**

Noted

- **Parish Council Website**

The Council agreed that the Clerk is to proceed with the set-up

- **Defibrillator**

The Clerk advised she has successfully applied for a defibrillator from British Heart Foundation at a reduced cost of £600. She is completing an Awards for All grant application for the £600 and training costs which will be sent off when the latest bank statement is received.

### **14/2018 Consultations**

- The Parish Council discussed the consultation on Derbyshire's Key Cycle Network which runs until 24 January 2018 and **Resolved** to respond as follows:
  - Fully support the route
  - Strong links with Lawn Bridge Project
  - Great opportunity to extend links with neighbouring and surrounding areas
  - Offers options for improved health activities including walking and wheelchair use
  - Extends work opportunities as links to local industrial sites

### **16/2018 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**

The Council noted the contents of Circulars 14-17 and 15-17

### **17/2018 Precept 2018/19**

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The Council **Resolved:** to make a request to AVBC for a precept of £15,220 for 2018/19

## **18/2018 FINANCE**

### **a) Accounts for Payment up to 8 January 2018**

The Meeting considered the payments to 8 January 2018, as attached at Schedule 2 and **Resolved:** the schedules of accounts up to 20 November 2017 to be initialled and approved by the Chairman, with cheque duly signed by the Members.

### **b) S137 Grant Application**

The Council considered the application from Cromford Canal and Codnor Park Res Volunteers. It was **Resolved:** To award £150 and to ask Jacksdale Parish Council to match this.

### **c) Grit Bin**

The Council considered the request for an additional grit bin on Monument Hill and **Resolved:** that Councillor Tailby assesses the need for another grit bin on Monument Hill.

### **d) External Auditor Report**

The Clerk reported explained that this has now been received from Grant Thornton and the accounts for 2016/17 are certified.

### **e) Banking Changes**

The Council **Resolved:** to apply for online banking and amend the authorised person so new Parish Clerk can view banking details. The Chairman and 2 other signatories signed the forms.

## **19/2018 Planning Applications**

The Council considered planning application AVA/2017/1287 and **Resolved:** to highlight concerns to the planning authority about increased vehicular traffic.

## **20/2018 Items for information only**

- **Reports from representatives on outside bodies**
    1. Amber Valley Access - no update
    2. Strollers Group – Cllr Clark advised that there will be a 2-week break over Christmas
    3. Futures Homescape Limited - Cllr Cope advised that Futures attend the coffee mornings on the first Monday of the month between 10am and 11am.
    4. Derbyshire County Council Parish & Town Council Liaison Group – Cllr Brown attended this.
  - Friends of Ironville & Codnor Park. -Cllr Clark advised that there will be a litter pick on Sunday 11 March at 10.30am and requested Councillors take part if they are available.
  - Lawn Bridge Project – no update
- To receive any other items for information only and items to be included on the next agenda
    - The Council noted the report on the Santa Walk 2/12/17
    - The Council noted the report from Ironville and Codnor Park Community Association and agreed to promote the association on the Council Facebook page to attract new members.

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- Councillor Tailby requested that the Council request the demolition of the 12 garages at the back of Victoria Street and Elizabeth Park.
- Councillor Bates requested that something be done about the puddle on Coach Road (by the horse stable).
- Councillor Smith to bring an update on Oscari to the next meeting.

### **21/2018 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 19 March 2018 at 7.00pm
- Monday 7 May 2018 at 7.00pm

### **Part 2 - Confidential Information**

#### **14/2018 Staffing Matters**

The Council considered the following:

- 1) The car allowance paid to the Parish Lengthsman and **Resolved:** to pay £10 per month
- 2) The Parish Lengthsman's work programme and **Resolved:** to concentrate more litter picking activity in the centre of Ironville particularly around King William street, Monument Hill.

The Meeting closed at 20.50pm

### **Schedule 1 - Payments**

<b>Cheque</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Payment</b>	<b>Amount</b>
401494	HMRC	Nov Payment	£58.20
401495	K Gruber	Domain name costs	£49.95
401496	K Gruber	Nov Wages	£232.48
401497	N Lamb	Nov Wages & Expenses	£355.00
401498	J Brown	Rem Day wreaths	£40.00
401499	Community Centre	S137 Grant	£350.00
401500	K Gruber	Dec Wages	£232.68
401751	N Lamb	Dec Wages & Phone All	£205.00
401752	J Brown Shelter	Manure	£8.98
401753	Maintenance	Sept-Jan	£71.40
401754	K Gruber	Expenses	£62.31
401755	N Lamb	Jan Wages & Phone All	£205.00
401756	K Gruber	Jan Wages	£232.68
401757	K Gruber	Website Set Up	£599.00
401758	J Brown	Civic Service Refreshments	£30.02
			<b>£2,732.70</b>

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