

Ironville Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, held at The Community Room, Victoria Crescent, Ironville on Monday 10 September 2018 at 7.00pm

Present: Chairman: Councillor JW Brown

Councillors: R Tailby, P Smith, P Clark, P Cope, K Brown, RL Daniel and J
Bates

Apologies: Councillor K Whitehouse

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

NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

01/09/2018 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Whitehouse

02/09/2018 Variation of Order of Business

None

03/09/2018 Declaration of Members Interest

Councillors Cope and Smith declared an interest in item 8 – Railway Carriage

04/09/2018 PUBLIC SPEAKING

A Cadman

- Highlighted that as yet no visit had been carried out by AVBC planning department to Ironville House, he noted the Parish Clerk had requested this.

Mrs Lehane

- Requested that the council reach a decision on Christmas lights

L Holgate

Advised that she had issued a letter to the Parish Council chairman regarding the situation with improving the steps on the Forge site, linked to agenda item 11d.

Derbyshire County Councillor and Amber Valley Borough Councillor P Smith

Updated the Council on:

- The Parliamentary Boundary review which would move Ironville from AVBC, subject to a vote by MPs.
- DCC work on potholes.
- DCC to turn attention to blocked gullies and overgrown hedges.
- The positive response from AVBC Community Safety Partnership on raising the issues on Market Street/Queen Street tenants with Futures at the next meeting.

Amber Valley Borough Councillor J Brown

Advised that:

- Futures had evicted a tenant from Waterside
- Police had removed a car from Deepdale

Signed

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05/09/2018 Exclusion of the Public

In view of the confidential nature of items 18 (in relation to staffing matters) it was **Resolved:** to exclude the press and public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, to discuss the item.

06/09/2018 Minutes of the Meetings held on 16 July 2018

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16 July 2018 were confirmed as a correct record (subject to date amendment) under the Parish Council provisions for approval and signed by the Chairman.

07/09/2018 Improving Our Village

Christmas

The Council discussed the options and costs for Christmas decorations and it was **Resolved:**

- 1) Costs for lamp post trees are too expensive at £196 per tree
- 2) To purchase either a 20 ft Christmas Tree at a cost of £450 or a 25 ft tree at a cost of £700. Prices include VAT, delivery, installation and removal.
- 3) Proposed locations of Christmas Tree are outside Post Office or near bus stop on Victoria Street
- 4) To delegate approval for agreeing location of tree and appropriate tree size, to the Chairman and Councillor Tailby at a site meeting with supplier.
- 5) To fund a one-off cost to dig a tree pit with steel tubing for the agreed location at a cost of £400-£500 depending on ground condition.
- 6) To explore options for Christmas lights and street lights.

Defibrillator

The Clerk thanked residents and Councillors for their work on gathering residents' views, the funding bid can now be finalised.

Vintage Lamp posts on Station Road

Councillor Clark proposed that these could be painted by the volunteer team and it was **Resolved:** to accept this kind offer subject to DCC agreement.

SOV

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

08/09/2018 Railway Carriage

The Council discussed the proposed plans by DCC to withdraw youth services, the electricity costs which are not being paid by AVBC but by the Railway Carriage Committee and the loss of £14,400 invested by the Railway Carriage Committee in improving the building if youth services are withdrawn It was **Resolved:**

- 1) To write to DCC expressing concern and disappointment on how the consultation process has not been applied transparently
- 2) To contact AVBC regarding reimbursement of the electricity costs

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- 3) To encourage all residents to respond to DCC regarding the plans for withdrawal of youth services by the closing date of 22 October.

09/09/2018 WW1 Commemoration

The Council noted that the lamp post poppies had arrived and that the Clerk had received information from Selston regarding their illuminated poppy. It was Resolved:

- 1) The 30 lamp post poppies would be put up by Councillor Clark according to DCC guidelines issued in an email dated 28/8/18.
- 2) To contact Lite for costs of an illuminated poppy and delegate the decision on whether to purchase to the Chairman and two other Councillors.

10/09/2018 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman said that the geraniums in the village planters were fantastic this year.

11/09/2018 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 last meeting

- **General Correspondence**

Noted

- **Community Involvement Scheme**

The Clerk advised that DCC were holding focus groups on 17 September on how this scheme might work best and Councillor Clark agreed he would attend if possible.

- **Letter from Friends of Belper Parks Ltd**

The Council noted the contents and requests within the letter noting that addressing the requests is not a responsibility of the Parish Council.

12/09/2018 Council's Systems of Internal Control and results of the Internal Audit held on 20 August 2018

The Council noted the Systems of Internal Control report prepared by the Clerk and the report of the Internal Auditor.

13/09/2018 Annual Governance statement on the Annual Return

The Clerk read the annual governance statement on the 2018 annual return, the Council considered that all matters had been met and

Resolved: For the Clerk to indicate on the form that all statements except item 4 had been met and directed that the Clerk and the Chairman sign the same. The Council recognised that Item 4 had not been met because of the extension for submission, approved by the external auditors, took the exercise of elector's rights beyond the statutory timescales.

14/09/2018 Consultations

The Council **Resolved:** to put in a formal objection on the proposal to remove youth services from the Railway Carriage.

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15/09//2018 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

The Council noted the contents of Circulars 10/18 and 11/18

16/09/2018 Finance

a) Accounts for Payment up to 7 September 2018

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

b) Year End accounts (2017-18)

The Meeting considered the Year End accounts presented at Schedule 2 and **Resolved:** To approve the accounts and to direct the Chairman to sign the same as approved.

c) Information required by Co-op Bank

The Clerk advised what details the bank needed

17/08/2018 Accounting Statement on the Annual Return

The Council considered the Accounting Statement as approved by the RFO and **Resolved:** To approve the Accounting Statement on the Annual Return and direct that the Chairman sign the same as approved.

19/09/2018 Planning Applications

None

20/09/2018 Items for information only

- Reports from representatives on outside bodies

None

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

None

21/09/2018 Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was **Resolved:** that the next meetings of the Parish Council will be held on 19 November 2018 @ 7pm at the Community Room, Victoria Crescent, Ironville.

Part 2 - Confidential Information

18/09/2018 Clerk's Salary

The Council considered the Clerk's pay and recommendations and **Resolved:**

- 1) To retain salary at current rate
- 2) To retain home working allowance at current rate
- 3) To remove the broadband allowance and replace with a lower rate of £2.24 pw

The meeting closed at 20.30pm

Schedule 1 PAYMENTS

Signed

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	401794	Marcus Bethel	Allotment work	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00
	401795	British Legion	Poppies	£90.00	£0.00	£90.00
	401796	Premier 1	Hanging Baskets	£1,548.00	£309.60	£1,857.60
	401797	Brian Wood Shelter	Internal Audit	£114.40	£0.00	£114.40
	401798	Maintenance	Cleaning April/May/July Auto Charge 18/5 to 18/6/18	£55.80	£11.16	£66.96
DD		Co-op Bank Fee copy charge Shelter	Bank Statements	£30.00 £2.50	£0.00 £0.00	£30.00 £2.50
	401799	Maintenance	Cleaning Aug	£18.60	£3.72	£22.32
	401800	Oap Centre	Room Hire 2017/18	£120.00	£0.00	£120.00
	401801	Kath Gruber	April/May Expenses	£23.12	£0.00	£23.12
	401802	N Lamb	Aug/Sept Payment	£447.16	£0.00	£447.16
DD		Co-op Bank	Auto Charge 5/4/18	£30.00	£0.00	£30.00
	401803	Kath Gruber	Aug/Sept Payment	£566.94	£0.00	£566.94
	401804	Kath Gruber	Aug/Sep Expenses	£21.56	£0.00	£21.56
	401805	HMRC	PAYE	£142.00	£0.00	£142.00
	401806	Pam Cope	Key cutting	£6.50	£0.00	£6.50
				£3,266.58	£324.48	£3,591.06

Schedule 2 Year End accounts 2017/18

	2017/18	
Community Directplus Account		
Opening Balance	£981.94	
Receipts	£25,077.89	
TOTALS	£26,059.83	
Less payments	£20,886.07	
Closing Balance	£5,173.76	
TOTAL ASSETS		
Savings Account	£4,688.88	Business Select Account
Cheque Account	£2,500.00	Community Directplus
	£7,188.88	

Signed

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