

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF REPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE
COMMUNITY ROOM, FISHER CLOSE, REPTON AT 7.30 P.M. ON
MONDAY 12TH JUNE 2017**

PRESENT: Councillors Skeith (Chairman), Thompson, Perks, Shortt, McArdle, Rainey, Lloyd and McGahan

STAFF AND PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: S Reilly (Clerk), District Councillor Stanton and 3 members of the public

2313/17 APOLOGIES: County Councillor Ford, District Councillor Smith

2314/17 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors Perks and Shortt declared a personal interest in planning application 9 2017 0419 – Certificate of lawfulness application for existing use of land as garden land at 51 Main Street, Repton

2315/17 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING 8th MAY 2017

RESOLVED: That they be signed as a true record.

Standing Orders lifted for Public Speaking and Planning

2316/17 PUBLIC SPEAKING:

a) A member of the public said that the sign for Chestnut Way had still not been re-erected, after being knocked over. The sign at the top of Mount Pleasant Road, at the turning into Mill Hill, was also badly faded and unreadable. The Clerk would inform DCC.

b) The same member of the public suggested that the Parish Council should, following the local elections, urge both DCC and SDDC to reconsider the plans for development of The Dales and Fisher Close. A combined initiative for housing for the elderly would be beneficial to the local community. The Chairman would make enquiries.

c) The Parish Council was asked if it would be responding to the SDDC consultation on Local Green Spaces. Councillor Thompson would be contacting SDDC in relation to this matter and the NDP.

d) The continued problem of the knotweed on Willington Road was raised and the fact that it had now been cut. In the absence of County Councillor Ford the Clerk would contact him and ask for an update.

e) Parish Councillors were urged to continue to raise the profile of The Cross and the restoration work required. The Chairman would speak to DCC for an update.

2317/17 PLANNING MATTERS

a) Planning Applications

9 2017 0513 – The erection of a rear extension, external alterations and partial rebuilding of garden wall at The Dovecote, Main Street, Milton – full application.

9 2017 0516 – Listed building consent for the erection of a rear extension attached to Dovecote, external and internal alterations and partial rebuilding of garden wall at The Dovecote, Main Street, Milton

9 2017 0111 – Prior notification for the erection of an agricultural shed at Oak Tree Farm, Ticknall Road, Milton

9 2017 0486 – The erection of extensions, addition of a car port attached to existing garage wing and an automated sliding access gate to front at 10 Broomhills Lane, Repton

9 2017 0552 – The felling of a leylandii tree at Lilac Cottage, 10 Main Street, Milton

9 2017 0535 – Erection of an extension and alterations (in substitution of previously approved application 9 2016 0858) at 42 Main Street, Repton
9 2017 0419 – Certificate of lawfulness application for existing use of land as garden land at 51 Main Street, Repton
9 2017 0527 – The erection of a permanent marquee over existing Beer Garden Terrace at The Bull's Head, 85 High Street, Repton

RESOLVED:

9 2017 0535 – Erection of an extension, detached garage and alterations (in substitution of previously approved application 9 2016 0858) at 42 Main Street, Repton – The Parish Council would request that a condition of this application should be that the extension is only used for family members and does not become a separate dwelling.

9 2017 0419 – Certificate of Lawfulness application for existing use of land as garden land at 51 Main Street, Repton – The Parish Council would object on the grounds that the settlement boundary, as shown, is not as it was described ten years ago. The Parish Council believes the boundary has been expanded in the recent past and believes the settlement boundary, as agreed in the Local Plan Part 1, should be upheld.

9 2017 0527 – The erection of a permanent marquee over existing Beer Garden Terrace at The Bull's Head, 85 High Street, Repton - To erect a permanent marquee would constitute over development of the site. The business had been over-expanded beyond the capacity of the site. Significant complaints have been received by Councillors, eg regarding noise levels when customers leave the premises, due to the over expansion of the site. Complaints have also been received regarding the increased level of traffic in the area and subsequent parking issues. The Parish Council would request that the temporary permission be extended for a further two years and the situation monitored. District Councillor Stanton would request that this application be referred to the Planning Committee.

There would be no comments on the other planning applications.

b) Planning Decisions

9 2017 0312 – The erection of a conservatory (amended scheme to 9 2016 1047) at Milton Waterworks Cottages, 1 Ingleby Lane, Milton – Householder permission granted

9 2016 1118 – Outline application with access for approval now and all other matters reserved for future approval for residential development comprising of up to 25 dwellings, open space and other associated works on land at SK3126 0097 Milton Road, Repton – outline permission granted

9 2017 0357 – The felling of a maple tree at 16 The Grange, Main Street, Repton – no objection to works

9 2017 0197 – Erection of a two storey house and detached double garage on land to the rear of 28 Main Street, Repton – full permission refused

9 2017 0162 – The erection of an extension and alterations at 8 Mercia Mews, Brook End, Repton – householder permission granted

9 2015 1220 – The demolition of a barn (the conversion of barn to residential accommodation) at 3 Brook Farm, Brook End, Repton – demolition consent approved

9 2015 1217 – The conversion of barn to residential accommodation at 1 Brook Farm, Brook End, Repton – full permission granted

9 2017 0446 – Prior notification of a larger household extension with eaves of 2.7m, maximum height of 3.6m and extending 3.8m from part of rear wall at 28 Springfield Road, Repton – prior application granted

9 2017 0438 – The erection of extensions to 36 Chestnut Way, Repton – householder permission granted

9 2017 0382 – The pruning & felling of trees covered by SDDC TPO no 31 at 28 Danesgate, Well Lane, Repton – TPO consent granted

Councillor Perks asked District Councillor Stanton what level of s106 funding would be available under planning application 9 2016 1118. District Councillor Stanton said he would check the amounts.

Standing Orders Resumed

2318/17 COUNTY, DISTRICT AND PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

- a) District Councillor Stanton highlighted the need for local residents to check their recycling before it was collected, as cases of contaminated waste had been found. Egg boxes, in particular cannot be recycled.
- b) Councillor Rainey reported that the Burial Ground grass needed cutting and that he was arranging for the new signs to be sited at Broomhills and for the agreed work to be carried out at The Mitre Field. He had also responded to two parishioners' traffic and planning concerns.
- c) Councillor Lloyd said that the grass on the path between Repton and Willington needed cutting. This would be reported to the Safer Neighbourhood meeting.
- d) Councillor McGahan reported that the grass in the Arboretum needed cutting and that the Cinder Track shrubs were overgrown.

2319/17 CLERK'S REPORT

a) Burial Ground Monuments Inspection

A further inspection needed to be carried out for health and safety purposes.

RESOLVED: Councillor Shortt agreed to carry out an inspection over the summer months.

b) The Pensions' Regulator – Legal Duties

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council had carried out all their legal duties and a Declaration of Compliance had been received.

2320/17 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) The Chairman reported that a member of the public had returned the lost 'Repton' sign. It had been found near the Church in Willington, DCC would be asked to reinstate the sign.
- b) A fact finding meeting, regarding The Village Hall, would take place Tuesday 13th June at 7.00pm, in The Community Room, Fisher Close, Repton.

2321/17 THE ARBORETUM

Councillor McGahan had discussed the proposal of extending the Arboretum with SDDC, additional land being available across the road, and the first step was to ascertain which services could be located under the land.

RESOLVED: The Clerk would write to the service providers, requesting locations and informing them of our intention to plant trees.

Councillor McGahan had also made enquiries regarding a service contract, pruning, watering, staking etc, for the existing Arboretum. He recommended retaining the services of Woodgrow Horticulture Ltd, as they were the preferred tree suppliers and had previously carried out work to a high standard. A quote of £600.00 per annum had been obtained from Woodgrow Horticulture Ltd.

RESOLVED: The Councillors agreed to establish an annual maintenance contract with Woodgrow Horticulture Ltd for £600.00 per annum for the upkeep of The Arboretum.

2322/17 LITTER BINS IN REPTON

The Clerk had been informed by SDDC that, due to financial constraints, they were unable to fund the five additional litter bins, requested by the parish Council, for Repton. The Parish Council would need to fund the installation and servicing of the bins.

RESOLVED: The Clerk would provide projected costs for the next meeting and District Councillor Stanton would speak to SDDC, on our behalf, regarding this decision.

2323/17 ALLOTMENTS

Requests had been received from RAS to erect a wooden gazebo over a section of the Community Garden and they also wished to invite the Luncheon Club to a barbecue on the site.

RESOLVED: The Councillors thanked and praised the efforts of the allotment holders in developing the Community Garden, however a wooden gazebo could not be permitted, as the rules specifically stated that wooden structures were not allowed. Also, events organised by RAS were not covered by the Parish Council insurance and therefore permission could not be given for a barbecue, due to health and safety reasons.

2324/17 VILLAGE PLANTERS

Updated quotes had yet to be obtained for the purchase and maintenance of planters for the village. The Parks Department at Swadlincote would be consulted.

RESOLVED: To discuss this issue again in the autumn, with a view to providing planters for next spring.

2325/17 REPORT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

The Clerk informed the meeting of the report of the Internal Auditor regarding minute 2237/17 consideration of a contribution to a bus shelter outside the Parish (s137 grant). No payment had yet been made; it is not permitted for a statutory body to make a payment to another statutory body. This decision is to be reviewed.

2326/17 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR WILLINGTON BUS SHELTER

The Councillors discussed the information from the Internal Auditor regarding this decision. Councillors thought they should be able to assist in the provision of a bus shelter, at a location which would benefit Repton residents, in particular older people.

RESOLVED: The Councillors resolved not to proceed with financial assistance for a bus shelter located in Willington, by seven votes with one abstention. The Clerk would again ask dalc for a further explanation.

2327/17 APPROVAL OF ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 1ST APRIL 2016 – 31ST MARCH 2017

The Annual Governance Statement had been circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: The Councillors approved the Annual Governance Statement and that the Chairman and Clerk should sign the document and return it to the External Auditor.

2328/17 APPROVAL OF STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS & ANNUAL RETURN 1ST APRIL 2016 – 31ST MARCH 2017

The Statement of Accounts had been circulated by the Clerk prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: The Councillors approved the Statement of Accounts and that the Chairman and RFO should sign the document and return it to the external Auditor.

2329/17 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES POLICY

The Clerk circulated the policy prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: The Councillors adopted the Equal Opportunities Policy.

2330/17 GRIEVANCE POLICY

The Clerk circulated the policy prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: The Councillors adopted the Grievance Policy.

2331/17 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

Councillor Thompson reported that the Plan had now been submitted to SDDC, and receipt had been acknowledged. Further details of the timetable would follow.

The working group would now consider the three planning consultations posted by SDDC – Local Green Spaces; Affordable Housing and Design Guide. These policies should be aligned with the NDP.

2332/17 FINANCE

a) Receipts since last meeting:

RBS interest to 28.04.17	£	0.27
Allotment Rents:		
Mr D Martin	£	16.00
Mr M Goodman	£	16.00
Repton Casuals – fees	£	372.00
Murrays Funeral Directors – interment	£	240.00
Shortstone Memorials – headstone fee	£	190.00

b) Payments since last meeting:

None

c) Payments for Approval

S Reilly – Net Pay 1 st June	£	574.80
Cheque no 002672		
SDDC – room hire	£	20.00
Cheque no 002673		
Mr B Stubbs – Broomhills shutters & guttering	£	475.00
Local Government (Misc Provisions) Act 1976 s19		
Cheque no 002674		
C Hawksworth – Pavilion cleaning & supplies	£	92.00
Cheque no 002675		
J Rowland Construction Ltd – Pavilion tile repairs	£	204.00
Local Government (Misc Provisions) Act 1976 s19		
Cheque no 002676		
Mrs J Storer – Internal Audit	£	110.60
Cheque no 002677		
Direct Debits		
BT – Office telephone		
01.06.17	£	42.50
Standing Order:		
Jaipur Restaurant – office rent		
01.06.17	£	220.00

RESOLVED: The payments should be made

d) Quotes for work on Broomhills Pavilion

Councillor Skeith would obtain further quotes for the next meeting. Councillor Lloyd stated that the inside of the pavilion was in need of refurbishment and should be considered at a future meeting.

e) Bank Balances:

RBS Direct Reserve Account 28.04.17	£35685.40
Nat West Current Account 05.06.17	£12060.62
Repton Recreation Ground Account 05.04.17	£786.34

2333/17 CORRESPONDENCE

South Derbyshire District Council: Breastfeeding Brunches; Golf Course progress in Swadlincote; Register to Vote plea; SNT Officers and Safer Neighbourhood Meetings; Surge in Registered Voters Numbers; Planning Consultations; Repton Area Forum & Area 2 Safer Neighbourhood Meeting; Festival of Leisure; Recycling Rally Call;

Derbyshire County Council: Removal of Charges for building & demolition waste; Fly the Flag this Armed Forces Day; Derbyshire Clean Air Day;
Tarmac – Community Update – Swarkestone Quarry
Mr T Burston – Land off Mount Pleasant Road (Councillor McGahan to respond)
Mr A Dale – New Homes
Mr C Cuddington – Local Plan Part 2
RESOLVED: to note all correspondence

2334/17 REPORTS TO NOTE

DALC 7 – Transparency Fund, Good Councillor Guide 2017

2335/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 10th July 2017 in The Community Room, Fisher Close, Repton, Parish Meeting at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm