

IDRIDGEHAY, ALTON & ASHLEYHAY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the MEETING of IDRIDGEHAY & ALTON AND ASHLEYHAY PARISH COUNCIL held in the Village Corn Store, Wirksworth Road, Idridgehay on Wednesday, 14 January 2015

Present: Cllrs: R Tatler, D Ibbett, E Matkin, J Matthews, J Smith, M Westbrooke, F White and R Hallam (Clerk).

In attendance: Cllr D Taylor as elected representative for both AVBC and DCC and 3 members of the public.

74/14 Apologies for absence - none

75/14 Variation of Order of Business – Cllr Smith asked for item 82/14 the report on the Black Swan Tribunal Hearing to be brought forward and it was **AGREED** to move item to before item 78/14.

76/14 Declaration of Members' Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – none.

77/14 Public Speaking

1 John Wiltshire asked the Council to object to AVA/2014/1047 and to alert the public to this application for a second pig unit as there were people who were unaware that the first pig unit had been approved.

Muff Wiltshire asked that the hedge on Barnsley Lane be further cut back as only a minimal cut had taken place from opposite the Norman Hill Farm entrance up the lane – one of the narrowest parts of Barnsley Lane. She also pointed out that a space in the hedge between the B5023 junction and the railway bridge was in use as a gateway despite replanting previously being required by AVBC.

Cllr J Smith reported on behalf of Mrs Hazel Haslam the surface water on Cliffash Lane was worse than ever and impassable in the recent period of bad weather as it froze over. Similar problems were mentioned in respect of the village end of Ecclesbourne Lane and Rookery Lane.

2 Cllr Taylor was welcomed as the new elected DCC Representative. As AVBC elected representative he said that the consultation period for AVA/2014/1047 had been extended as it had not been published correctly but, as he had received a number of objections, if the planning officer was minded to approve this application, he had requested a decision by the Planning Board and not under delegated powers. He also reported that the AVBC proposed move to full council elections could result in Parish Council elections in both 2015 and 2016 which would incur extra PC expenditure. As DCC elected representative, Cllr Taylor reported that DCC had accepted responsibility for the flooding at the bottom of Ecclesbourne Lane and was investigating this; and that a complaint had been received about the reoccurring problem of surface water on the B5023 outside Alton Manor Farm. He was aware that the owner had been told to cut the hedge back on Barnsley Lane but would request further cutting back of this hedge. He reported that DCC was investigating the lack of snow clearance over the Christmas period and said he would follow up the surface water problems in Idridgehay and the potholes on Beighton Hill Lane.

3 No member wished to declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, make representations or give evidence under the Code of Conduct relating to the Agenda items.

78/14 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 November 2014

It was **AGREED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council held on 12 November 2014 as previously circulated and published be **APPROVED** as a correct record of the meeting and were signed by the Chair.

82/14 The Council received a report on the Hearing on 7 January of Appeal CRE/2014/0010 against the registration of the Black Swan Inn as a Community Asset from Cllrs Tatler and Matthews. AVBC's barrister had been pleased with the thoroughness of the examination of the legislation and the evidence given by both councillors on the day. The judge at the hearing was the President of the National Tribunal and his decision is expected in 4-6 weeks time. Cllr Smith thanked Cllrs Tatler and Matthews for both their time and the preparatory work needed to support AVBC at the hearing.

79/14 Planning Matters

The Council noted the following planning decisions:

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- 1 AVA/2014/0581 - Land Behind Twin Pine, Wirksworth Road, Idridgehay - Proposed erection of a new barn for fodder and machinery storage. To be constructed from concrete sections and green steel box profile sheets. Registered 21 July. **PC OBJECTED. Application REFUSED 25.11.14.**
- 2 AVA/2014/0939 – Daies Garden, The Green, Idridgehay – Change of Use of garden to dwelling. Detached House. This is a Departure from the Development Plan. Registered 17 October. **PC OBJECTED. REFUSED 4.12.14.**
- 3 AVA/2014/0872 and AVA/2014/0941 – Wallstones Old farmhouse, Rood Lane, Idridgehay - Proposed replacement garage/store to listed building and Listed Building Consent for proposed replacement garage/store to listed building. Registered 23 October. **Applications withdrawn.**

The Council noted the following applications awaiting decision:

- 1 1AVA/2014/1024 and AVA/2014/1025 – Whitehouse Farm, New Road, Ireton Wood – Proposed renovation of & extension to Whitehouse Farm. Registered 10 December. Decision expected on 9 January under Delegated Powers.
- 2 AVA/2014/1027 - Alton Nether Farm, Tinkerley Lane, Kirk Ireton - Proposed erection of New Dwelling and car port, and Replacement Agricultural Building (Resubmission) Registered 10 December. Decision expected on 9 January under Delegated Powers.

The Council considered the following application:

AVA/2014/1047 – Land off Wirksworth Road, Idridgehay – Proposed erection of livestock building. Registered 23 December. A decision was expected on 19 January under Delegated Powers but if the planning officer is minded to approve this application, following Cllr Taylor's calling in, it will now be heard by the Planning Board, possibly at its next meeting on 16 February. It was **AGREED** to object to this application on the same grounds as both previous applications on this site (AVA/2012/0677 and AVA/2013/1011) as contrary to AVBC's Saved Policies EN6 and EN11 (and emerging Local Plan policies SS12 and E5) The proposed development would result in additional significant adverse impact on both the landscape and the landscape character and trebles the footprint of the original application in 2012. The development would also be contrary to VIA NP policy L1 as it does not respect or enhance the distinctive landscape characteristics and settlement pattern of the Neighbourhood Area.

The members of the public left at this point.

80/14 Financial Matters

- 1 It was **AGREED** to approve the Statement of Accounts ending 7 January 2015.
- 2 It was **AGREED** to approve the following accounts for payment:

Cheque nos	Payee	Amount	Description
000607	R Tatler	47.00	Newsletter Printing
000608	DALC	45.00	Chair and Election Training
000609	J Matthews	27.99	VIA Supplies
000610	A Bristow	36.38	VIA Supplies
000611	St James' PCC	260.00	Grass cutting and Car park materials
000612	Village Stores	75.00	Prepayment for 3 VIA meetings
000613	St James' PCC	110.00	Prepayment for 3 VIA meetings
000614	M Wiltshire	30.00	VIA Plan printing
000615	J Smith	190.58	VIA social Supplies
000616	M Wiltshire	33.14	VIA Ink Cartridges
000617	J Smith	16.00	VIA Ink Cartridge
000618	Cancelled		
000619	R Tatler	110.00	VIA Plan Printing
000620	J Smith	44.19	VIA Supplies
000621*	Village Stores	25.00	Room Hire for PC meeting
Total	* remains to be issued	1,050.28	

- 81/14 After discussion and a vote, the council **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the draft budget and to increase the precept by 5% to £3,822 for the year 2015/16.

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- 83/14 It was **NOTED** that Cllr White had renovated the new notice board and with AVBC's agreement, this would be sited at the bus shelter opposite Windley Lane near the junction with Hillcliff Lane.
- 84/14 It was **NOTED** that the winter gritting arrangements were in place. The free grit supplied by DCC under the Snow Warden Scheme had been delivered and distributed to various strategic points in both parishes. It was also **NOTED** that the Scheme and IAA PC's insurance only covers the clearing footpaths, so volunteers who help clear roads do so at their own risk.
- 85/14 The DCC's D2 combined Authority proposal was **NOTED** and all information with an online questionnaire is available on the DCC website – www.derbyshire.gov.uk/CA. The consultation period ends on 23.1.15.
The proposed withdrawal of funding by DEFRA of the ACRE network of rural community councils was **NOTED**. This will have a negative impact on a number of services Rural Action Derbyshire can deliver locally (eg Wheels to Work, Oil Buying Scheme, Village Hall support, as well as work to support financially excluded people and food banks. There is an online petition against this at <http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/73418> DEFRA's decision will be made week commencing 19 January.
AVBC's proposal to move to full council elections was also **NOTED** and it was **AGREED** that IAA PC would like to maintain the current system of election by thirds as this provides some continuity of policy.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

These Minutes are subject to approval at the next Parish Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday 12 March 2014 starting at 7pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend.