

IDRIDGEHAY ALTON AND 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, 13 JANUARY 2016**

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

In attendance: D Taylor (AVBC and DCC elected representative) and one member of the public

- 67/15 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Ibbett.
68/15 Variation of Order of Business – it was **AGREED** to consider items 73/15 74/15 and 75/15 after item 71/15 to decide the 2016/17 budget and precept before discussion of planning matters.
69/15 Declaration of Members' Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – Cllr Tatler recorded a personal interest in item 72/15 8 regarding the planning application for Daies Garden.

70/15 **Public Speaking**

- 1 Muff Wiltshire spoke in support of the Daies Garden application as it would bring family back into the village even though it was not in line with the Neighbourhood Plan. She said this and the Home Farm House application raised the issue of the undefined village envelope and asked if it was time to ask AVBC to now consider defining this. Mrs Wiltshire also reported that there are stretches of Barnsley Lane without usable passing places where drivers have to reverse blind for oncoming traffic. She therefore asked if existing passing places could be stoned up.
- 2 Cllr Taylor, as DCC elected representative, reported that discussions to form unitary councils within Derbyshire by 2020 were taking place. The probable outcome would result in AVBC parishes being split between four different unitary councils. He also stated that a large number of residents are missing from the new Register of Electors and urged residents to check their entries with AVBC. With regard to potholes, DCC are now requesting dimensions of potholes before deciding when to carry out works and a FOI request showed that DCC was spending £1.5 m on traffic calming measures primarily revenue generating traffic cameras. As AVBC elected representative, Cllr Taylor reported that the AVBC Core Strategy had failed because of an insufficient 5 year housing supply. Cllr Matthews brought a request from Peter Matthews, Church Warden, for a letter of support for the PCC's application for a grant to repair the church roof. Cllr Smith asked if there were any events planned for the Queen's 90th birthday celebrations. The beacon and gas canisters from the jubilee were available for a beacon at Alport Height (subject to permission from the National Trust) to join the organised nationwide beacon event in April. Details could be included in a Spring Newsletter. She also said that the DCLG consultation on the NPPF ends on 25 January so representations need to be made via DALC by 18 January.
- 3 Cllr Tatler said he objected to the Daies Garden application because the extension would block neighbours' light with a two storey brick wall, it was contrary to the Neighbourhood Plan Policy H3 with a footprint larger than the existing building and, although not as bad as the previous applications, weakened the Conservation Area.
- 71/15 The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 November 2015 as previously circulated and published were **APPROVED** as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

73/15 **Financial Matters**

- 1 It was **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the Statement of Accounts ending 6 January 2016.
2 It was **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the following accounts for payment:

Cheque	Payee	Amount	Description
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nos			
000648	PCC of Idridgehay	180.00	Share of Churchyard grass cutting costs
000649	ICO	35.00	Data Protection Insurance
000650	Mick Smith	495.00	Footpath Maintenance Work under DCC MMR
Total	*remains to be issued	710.00	

- 3 The receipt of a cheque for £495 from DCC for the footpath maintenance work carried out by Mick Smith was **NOTED**.
- 74/15 After discussion and a vote, the council **AGREED** not to renew the SLCC and FIT subscriptions and to increase the precept by 10% to £4,202 for the year 2016/17 and to **APPROVE** the amended budget.
- 75/15 It was **AGREED** to amend the Clerk's Contract of Employment to SCP 17 once the CiLCA qualification is obtained.
- 72/15 **Planning Matters:**

The following decisions were **NOTED**:

- 1 **AVA/2015/0964 – Ithersay Farm, The Green, Idridgehay** – Proposed internal conversion of half the existing cattle barn for extra downstairs living space – registered 19 October – PC no comment or objection – **APPROVED** 17 November
- 2 **AVA/2015/0989 – Alport Height, Back Lane, Ashlehay** – proposed replacement radio telecommunications radio tower and concrete tower base – registered 19 October – PC no objection or comment – **APPROVED** 19 November
- 3 **AVA/2015/1034 – Glendean Lodge, Cliffash Lane, Idridgehay** – proposed replacement of approved but unbuilt stone building with log cabin – registered 6 November – PC expressed concerns over design and materials within the Conservation Area – **APPROVED** 10 December
- 4 **AVA/2015/1084 – Ecclesbourne, Ecclesbourne Lane, Idridgehay** – proposed Non Material Amendment to AVA/2015/0394 – registered 13 November - **APPROVED** 17 November

The following applications are still awaiting decision:

- 5 **AVA/2015/0660 and 0661 - Land Off Wirksworth Road Idridgehay** - Erection of an agricultural storage building - registered 29 July – revised date for decision expected under Delegated Powers on 30 October due to extension of time agreement - PC written to object as contrary to EN6 and IAA NDP Landscape and Business policies.

The following applications were considered:

- 6 **AVA/2015/1121 - Clear Springs Farm, Sandhall Lane, Alderwasley** - proposed single and 2 storey extensions and alterations to existing residential dwelling, change of use of existing outbuildings into short term let holiday apartments - registered 4 December – decision anticipated under Delegated Powers by 26 January – PC no comment or objection
- 7 **AVA/2015/1196 – Home Farm House, Idridgehay** – proposed bungalow – registered 21 December – decision expected under Delegated Powers on 12 February – PC voted and **AGREED** to object on same grounds as for previous applications as contrary to AVBC's Saved Policies H5 and EN1 and VIA L1 and H1.

[Cllr Tatler left the meeting at this point and Cllr Smith took over as Chair]

- 8 **AVA/2015/1235 – Daies Garden, The Green, Idridgehay** – proposed two storey extension to existing dwelling to provide additional living and bedroom – registered 23 December – decision anticipated under Delegated Power by 10 February. After discussion of the plans, and although the application to extend the property is supported in principle, the council voted and **AGREED** to object to this application as contrary to VIA H3 b and d commenting that the garage footprint could be used rather than extending behind the adjoining cottage.

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[Cllr Tatler returned to the room at this point and resumed as Chair]

Ongoing Enforcement action was **NOTED**:

- 9 **ENF/2014/0120 – Land on Wirksworth Road, Idridgehay** – site entrance now complete, a landscaping scheme submitted and planting to be completed within the current planting season (ie before 31/3/2016) The Council **AGREED** to request details of the accepted planting scheme from AVBC.
- 10 **ENF/2014/0291 and 0358 – Black Swan Inn, Wirksworth Road, Idridgehay** – still under investigation
- 11 The council discussed AVBC Planning Board Information for Board Members, which advises the board to accept officers' recommendations as refusals could result in unbudgeted expenditure. It was **AGREED** to write to AVBC expressing concerns that this guidance undermines the democratic process.

[Cllr Taylor left the meeting at this point]

76/15 It was **AGREED** to report the following highways issues: the blocked ditches at the junction of Cliffash Lane and the Green; the drains in Ireton Wood; the blocked drain at Rookery Lane resulting from damage caused by the refuse lorries; the lifted tarmac on Rood Lane; the gully on the Spendlove corner and blocked drain at the bottom of Barnsley Lane; potholes and flooding on Beighton Lane; the overgrown hedge on Barnsley Lane.

77/15 The clerk reported that AVBC had agreed to a meeting to discuss both the sale of the Black Swan, the enforcement issues concerning the erection of gates and removal of the inn's signage as well as the maintenance of this Listed Building and is awaiting suggested dates.

The meeting finished at 9.21pm.

These Minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting of IAA PC which will be held at the Village Corn Store on Wednesday 9 March.