

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, 9 MARCH 2016** starting at 7pm.

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

In attendance: Cllr D Taylor (AVBC and DCC elected representative) and no other members of the public.

78/15 Apologies for absence - none

79/15 Variation of Order of Business - none

80/15 Declaration of Members' Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - none

81/15 **Public Speaking**

2 Cllr Taylor as AVBC elected representative reported that AVBC had voted against the proposed Devolution Plan being vague and incomplete – the Borough Council awaits a more detailed version to consider. AVBC had voted for a 1/4% reduction in its Council Tax and Cllr Taylor will present plans for Old People, Affordable Warmth and Dementia Awareness at the next cabinet meeting. As the 'Have your Say' public consultation meetings will be held in Ripley in future, Cllr Cox (Chair of the Planning Board) had offered to visit parish council meetings for Q&A sessions. As DCC elected representative, Cllr Taylor reported that the county had approved a 3.99% increase in its council tax with 2% being allocated to adult care. Cllr Taylor urged residents to respond to the Bus Concession Scheme survey on the DCC website by 4 April. He reported that the continual bad weather was having a significant impact on the state of the highways but with limited funding left for this year, most work would be scheduled for April onwards.

1 Cllr Smith asked if there was anyone wanting to take over the Footpath Maintenance Work - if not Mick Smith was willing to continue in this role. She also publicised a petition for the Right of Appeal for Parish Council's in planning applications and an article in the Ashbourne News Telegraph on 2 March about a proposed traffic calming scheme in Kniveton.

Cllr Westbrooke reported that AVBC were now using a smaller refuge lorry on the Idridgehay route to avoid further damage to the verges at Old and Rookeries Lanes and he wanted to thank the officer who had agreed for residents at Wallstones to combine their recycling. Cllr Smith asked if this arrangement could be extended to other small groups of residents.

3 No members wished to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

82/15 The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13 January 2016 as previously circulated and published were **APPROVED** as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

83/15 **Planning Matters:**

The following decisions were **NOTED**:

1 **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 – application **WITHDRAWN** 1 February.

2 **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 – **APPROVED** 11 February.

The following applications awaiting decision were **NOTED**:

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- 3 **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. PC **AGREED** to ask Network and Ecclesbourne Valley Railways about the current state of Bateman Bridge and their assessment of the impact of increased traffic associated with these applications.
- 4 **AVA/2015/1196 – Home Farm House, Idridgehay** – proposed bungalow – registered 21 December – decision expected under Delegated Powers on 12 February – PC objected as contrary to AVBC’s Saved Policies H5 and EN1 and VIA NDP Policies L1 and H – agreed time extension new determination date of 30 March.

The following applications were considered:

- 5 **AVA/2016/0074 – White House Farm Barn, New Road, Ireton Wood** – proposed extension – decision anticipated under Delegated Powers by 18 March – PC made no objection or comment – agreed time extension new determination date of 30 April
- 6 **AVA/2016/0103 – Smithy Cottage, Ecclesbourne Lane, Idridgehay** – proposed new 2 bed detached single storey dwelling – registered 24 February – decision expected under Delegated Powers by 19 April. After discussion the council **AGREED** to object to this application as contrary to AVBC’s Saved policies EN6 and EN27 as in the SLA and the Conservation Area and contrary to VIA NDP Landscape Policy L1 (b) (c)(d) (e) (f) and (h) as well as Housing Policy H1.

The following Enforcement action was **NOTED**:

- 7 **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) It was **AGREED** to ask AVBC again for the agreed planting scheme as the one supplied was that for the new planning applications above.
- 8 **ENF/2014/0291 and 0358 – Black Swan Inn, Wirksworth Road, Idridgehay** – under investigation
- 9 The Planning Appeal - APP/M1005/Y/15/3141104 – White House Farm, New Road, Ireton Wood – against refusal of proposed renovation and extension to White House Farm - decision awaited was **NOTED**
- 10 The council discussed the AVBC Planning Board revised information to Board Members and considered the amendments to be an improvement. The council also **AGREED** to monitor AVBC’s planners use of VIA NDP and its policies.

84/15 Financial Matters

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

Cheque nos	Payee	Amount	Description
000651	R Hallam	368.39	Projector & Screen under DCC Leadership Fund
000652*	R Tatler	54.00	Spring Newsletter Printing
000653*	CommuniCorp	12.00	Annual Subscription to Clerk’s Direct Magazine
000654*	R Hallam	1,163.46	Clerk’s ½ year pay £1,031.94 + office £100 + Expenses £31.52
Total	*remains to be issued		

- 3 The amended budget and precept for the year 2016/17 agreed at the last meeting was **APPROVED** and signed by the Chair.

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- 4 The council considered the request for donation from Derbyshire Wildlife Trust for the Ecclesbourne Way and **AGREED** not to make a contribution due to lack of funds.
- 5 The application for funding under the DCLG Transparency Funding for website compliance and council dedicated laptop was **NOTED** and a decision is awaited.
- 6 It was **AGREED** not to opt out but to remain within the Smaller Authorities Audit arrangements from 2017/18.
- 85/15 The council **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the council's Grant Awarding Policy and Protocol for recording and filming of council meetings.
- 86/15 All reports received regarding potholes etc have been forwarded to DCC
- 87/15 Cllr Matthews briefed the council on the visit to AVBC on 9 February to discuss making a community bid for the Black Swan Inn. After discussion, it was **AGREED** to defer making a bid to the next meeting in May to ensure this is within the council's remit.
- 88/15 It was **AGREED** in principle that a PCC page could be added to the council's website.
- 89/15 The Wirksworth Rotary Club's Community Award's nomination was **NOTED**.
- 90/15 Item for Information – Idridgehay Spring Craft Fair at St James' Church on Saturday 12 March 10 -3.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting of the council which will be the Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council Meetings held at St James' Church, Idridgehay on Wednesday 11 May 2016 starting at 7pm.

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