

# 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, 11 NOVEMBER 2015

Present: Cllrs: R Tatler (Chair), E Matkin, J Matthews, J Smith and R Hallam (Clerk).  
In attendance: D Taylor (AVBC and DCC elected representative) PCSO Paula Bennett.  
There were no members of the public present.

- 54/15 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Ibbett, Westbrooke and White.
- 55/15 Variation of Order of Business - nil
- 56/15 Declaration of Members' Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - nil

### 57/15 Public Speaking

- 1 After having reported concerns about 'Go Wild in Wirksworth' activities on the Derbyshire Outdoors site at Beighton Hill, the Clerk asked Cllr Taylor, as DCC elected representative, to clarify AVCVS's involvement with the business.
- 2 Cllr Tatler welcomed PSCO Paula Bennett who informed the council that the mobile police surgery is not scheduled to visit Idridgehay for the next 6 months but as driver of the new police van, she would maintain a regular visual presence to deter speeding through the village. She also said the Belper team were organising a Community Speedwatch scheme and would email details shortly. Cllr Matthews asked for results of the summer's speed survey outside South Sitch and PCSO Bennett agreed to email these as publication of the surveys carried out in all 30mph areas is not automatic.

Cllr Taylor as AVBC elected representative drew attention to the landscaping proposals for AVA/2015/0660. He congratulated the council on the result of the Neighbourhood Plan referendum and confirmed that once 'made' by AVBC's full council on 18<sup>th</sup> November, its policies would apply to all undecided as well as future planning applications. Cllr Smith added the congratulations received from the former clerk, Dick Parkin. Cllr Taylor as Cabinet member for Housing and Public Health was attending the Annual Sports Awards evenings. Apart from confirming receipt of the Leadership Grant, there were no other DCC matters for Cllr Taylor to report.

- 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.
- 58/15 The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2 September 2015 as previously circulated and published were **APPROVED** as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

### 59/15 Planning Matters:

The following decisions were NOTED:

- 1 **AVA/2015/0684 - Home Farm House Wirksworth Road Idridgehay** - Domestic garage and store – registered 27 July – decision expected under Delegated Powers on 10 September – PC written to object as new development in the Conservation Area against EN1 – **APPROVED** 15 September.
- 2 **AVA/2015/0709 - Beech Farm Sandhall Lane Alderwasley** - Extensions to existing barn – registered 30 July - decision expected under Delegated Powers on 18 September – PC no comment or objection – **APPROVED** 8 September
- 3 **AVA/2015/0745 – South View, Old Hillcliff Lane** - Proposed two storey side and rear extensions to provide triple garage, home office, visitor annexe, recreational space, gym, plant room, additional bedroom suite and new entrance hallway

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registered 17 August – decision expected under delegated powers by 2 October – PC **AGREED** to object as contrary to IAA PC's NDP Housing Policy H3 – not in scale and proportion to the existing building and not clearly subordinate to the existing building – **REFUSED** 27 October.

- 5 **AVA/2015/0763 and 0764 – Whitehouse Farm, New Road, Ireton Wood –** Proposed renovation and extension – resubmission – registered 18 August – decision expected under Delegated Powers by 5 October – PC no comment or objection - **REFUSED** 27 October.

The following applications were considered

- 4 **AVA/2015/0660 and 0661- Land Off Wirksworth Road Idridgehay** - Erection of an agricultural storage building and extension to existing livestock 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 council continues to object and after discussion of landscaping proposals recently filed on the website, it was **AGREED** to comment that planting closer to the proposed enlarged livestock building would provide more effective screening; concerns that the unnecessarily enlarged footprint between the proposed extended livestock building and the planting could be forward planning for cumulative development contrary to VIA NDP Policy L1 (h); and the planting in rows looked artificial.
- 6 **AVA/2015/0964 – Ithersay Farm, The Green Idridgehay** – Proposed internal conversion of existing cattle barn for extra downstairs living space – registered 19 October – decision expected under Delegated Powers on 10 December – PC no objection or comment.
- 7 **AVA/2015/0989 – Alport Height, Back Lane, Ashleyhay** – proposed replacement radio telecommunications radio tower and concrete tower base – registered 19 October – decision expected under Delegated Powers on 4 December – PC no objection or comment.
- 7 a **AVA/2015/1034 – Glendean Lodge, Cliffash Lane, Idridgehay** – proposed replacement of approved but unbuilt stone outbuilding with log cabin – registered 6 November – decision anticipated under Delegated Powers on 15 December – it was **AGREED** not to object but to express concerns over the design and materials of the log cabin to replace the approved stone building within the Conservation Area contrary to IAA's NDP Business Policy B1 (d) and (g).

The following on going Enforcement action was **NOTED**:

- 8 **ENF/2014/0120 – Land on Wirksworth Road, Idridgehay** – Enforcement Officer arranging meeting with owner and agent to discuss outstanding compliance issues.
- 9 **ENF/2014/0291 and 0358 – Black Swan Inn, Wirksworth Road, Idridgehay** – under investigation. Given concerns expressed over the state of this Listed Building, it was **AGREED** to ask what enforcement action is being taken.
- 10 It was **NOTED** that the Appeal ref: APP/M1005/W/15/3006400 to the Planning Inspectorate regarding the refusal of planning permission AVA/2014/0939 at Daies Garden, The Green, Idridgehay had been **DISMISSED** on 25 September as not sustainable development in the open countryside and would fail to enhance the character and appearance of the Idridgehay Conservation Area.

## 60/15 Financial Matters

- 1 It was **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the Statement of Accounts ending 10 November 2015.
- 2 It was **AGREED** to **APPROVE** the following accounts for payment:

Cheque	Payee	Amount	Description
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nos			
000646	Alvaston Press	49.00	Autumn Newsletter Printing
000647	Village Stores*	25.00	Nov PC Mtg Room Hire
Total	*remains to be issued	74.00	

- 3 The council thanked Cllr Taylor as DCC elected representative for receipt of the £400 grant from his Members Community Leadership Fund. It was **AGREED** to ask if Cllr Ibbett or Cllr Westbrooke would purchase the projector and screen to be used for community presentations.

61/15 The arrangements for the delivery of the free road salt for this year's DCC Snow Warden Scheme were **NOTED**.

62/15 The repairs to the highways in the area were **NOTED** with only the scheduled work on Old Lane, Idridgehay outstanding and no other problems to report at present.

[Cllr Taylor left the meeting at this point]

63/15 After discussion of the proposed DCC Minor Maintenance Agreement Revised Scheme it was **AGREED** that the current scheme was beneficial in keeping footpaths accessible which could be continued on a project basis set out in the proposal. The contractor, Mick Smith, is willing to continue the clearance of undergrowth and minor repairs to gates and stiles. As a rural area there is little need for any tarmac work.

64/15 The vote on 15 October to accept the Neighbourhood Development Plan was **NOTED**. The establishment of a Community Forum was discussed and it was **AGREED** to consult residents in the spring as to how to achieve this. It was also **AGREED** to review the NDP in 2 years' time when it would be possible to assess its effect on applications and their implementation along with any changes in national and AVBCV planning policies. It was also **AGREED** to check the status of the VIA Steering Group now that the plan is in place.

65/15 Cllr Matthews reported that after the public meeting on 28 September, James Hool and Nick Bristow have produced a costed model currently being expanded to a business plan; the asking price for the Black Swan has been reduced and details are being sent to a list of breweries as potential purchasers. The council is seeking a meeting with AVBC to establish the need to obtain a valuation and to express concerns about the state of this Listed Building. Cllr Matthews reported that an independent valuation would cost approx £950 plus VAT and an alternative bank valuation would be in the region of £1,750 plus VAT. After the merits of each valuation were discussed, it was **AGREED** to allocate £500 plus the overall VAT towards an independent valuation if needed with the remainder being raised from those offering donations to the fighting fund. It was also **AGREED** to enquire if rates are currently being paid on the property.

66/15 The clerk reported that after Cllr Ibbett's work upgrading the website, the Register of Members' Interests are now on the website and a number of council policies will be added shortly to ensure the council's move towards compliance with the Transparency Code.

## Future Events:

Christmas Craft Fair at St James' Church 10am – 6pm Sat 28 November

Christmas Coffee Morning at St James' Church 10.15–11.45am Tues 15 December and

Village Social at the Corn Store from 7.30pm – tickets available from the Village Stores soon  
proceeds of both events to the Air Ambulance

Next IAA PC meeting will be held at the Village Corn Store on Wed 13 January 2016  
The meeting finished at 9.20pm.

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