Council Meetings take place on the second Wednesday of every other month at 7:00pm above the Village Corn Store in Idridgehay. You are more than welcome to attend. If you have any specific issue you want to raise please contact the Clerk one week before the meeting. The date for the next meetings is:

9th May 2012 (AGM)

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CHURCH NEWS

Services continue to be held on the Ist, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the month, normally at II.00am. However, on the 3rd June there will be the National Service in commemoration of the Queen's Jubilee. The order will follow that being followed nation-wide; it will replace the Service scheduled for the 10th June. Other Services and events within the Wirksworth Team Ministry can be found on its website.

A strong recommendation has been made through the Diocesan Advisory Committee for a sizeable grant toward the kitchen project to be awarded. A decision is expected shortly and if successful will allow tenders to be sent out and subsequent work to be started.

The Annual Statement and Accounts has been adopted. A copy is held in the church for inspection; the church is always open.

PARISH EMAIL DATABASE



County and Borough Councils frequently give out information on a variety of matters. Their aim is to inform as many people as possible

of present and new developments both in policy and events. Often we are invited to comment. We need to be able to provide you with this information. Email is by far the easiest way to do this. If we have your email please let us know if you are willing to receive information this way. If you wish to receive the above information please email your details to the clerk. Any database so formed will be confidential.

Idridgehay, Alton & Ashleyhay Parish Council



Newsletter

Welcome to the Spring edition of the Council's Newsletter. It gives an up-date on some of those items referred to in the previous issue and information on others, the main one being the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.



In this newsletter we have articles on:

The Jubilee Events
Your Help Needed
Council News
Neighbourhood Plan Update
Playing Field
Church News
Parish Email Database
So, please read on.

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THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE

The Parish Council is keen to celebrate this occasion. It will also be a great opportunity for the community to get together. With this in mind we have three different events throughout the day. Please try and attend as many as you can.

The following is the programme of events for the **4**th of June.

3.00 pm A community walk around Eadric's Way.

Starting and finishing at the Black Swan. This will be a gentle stroll through the fields around Idridgehay.



5:00 pm Street party along the lower road of The Green, Idridgehay.

Light refreshments will be provided. Please bring some chairs and come and enjoy the company of your neighbours.

10:00-10:30 pm Lighting of Beacon on Alport Heights.

Join us to observe the beacons across the Derbyshire Landscape from this vantage point and watch the lighting of the Parish beacon.



For safety reasons this will be a gas beacon.

YOUR HELP NEEDED

In order to ensure the success of the Jubilee events we need you to attend but we also need your help.

Whilst the council is taking the lead there will naturally be the need for organisation and help if the occasion is to be a success. Widespread communication is difficult: notice boards are no longer the first point of reference; we do not as yet have an extensive list of e mail addresses and the newsletter takes time to produce and distribute, apart from the cost. If anyone is willing to help and represent an 'area' for passing on arrangements by word-of-mouth and getting wider help could they please attend the **Annual Parish Meeting on the 9th May at 6.30pm in the Church** or contact the clerk direct. This will also serve as an indicator of interest and we can plan accordingly.

COUNCIL NEWS

The minutes of the last meeting were published on the website www.iaa-pc.org.uk. The two contested planning applications referred to are still outstanding, although camping has now been substituted for caravans on the Beighton Hill site.



There has been an increase in the number of break-in burglaries within the parish; the police have been informed. However, it points to the need for increased

vigilance by all households and neighbours.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

AVBC has yet to complete its Core Strategy document and the council is monitoring its progress having already submitted comments on the essential need to retain the concept of Special Landscape areas.

The possibility of producing a Neighbourhood plan is still being considered.

PLAYING FIELD

As summer draws near the overgrown and neglected appearance of the playing field begins to reflect ill on the council. The decision has therefore been taken to remove the goal posts while leaving the field open for any recreational activity that might be organised in the future. As before: archery, cricket-net practice; inter village sports day? Any suggestions would be welcome.

WINTER GRITTING & FUEL SAVINGS



The distribution of additional salt/grit was considered to have been successful, although more attention is needed to cover some

areas. The matter will be revisited in time for this winter.



There are a number of schemes being promoted for reducing energy bills mainly based on collaborative buying. One such scheme is described in the

magazine Which. Readers may wish to refer to it or go on line to research other options. Arranging joint deliveries of heating oil with your neighbours may also reduce costs if you can bulk buy.