

**ALDWARK AREA PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT ALDWARK MANOR, ALDWARK  
ON TUESDAY 10 JANUARY 2012 AT 7.30PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Roland Crooke (Chairman), Alison Pollock (Vice Chairman),  
Colin Stroud and Alan Boddy.

Clerk: District Councillor Nigel Knapton.

2 members of the public and PC Paul Southgate were also present.

**12/1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Apologies were received from Councillor Henry Dean and the reason accepted. A declaration of interest was made by Councillor Crooke on item 12/10 and he left the room for that item.

**12/2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 NOVEMBER 2011**

Minutes were agreed and signed as a correct record.

**12/3 CLERK'S REPORT & MATTERS ARISING**

- a. The new Aldwark notice board was due to be installed on Thursday. Cost would be £660 including fitting.
- b. The grass at the front of the church had been tidied.
- c. The hedge opposite the play area in Aldwark had been trimmed.
- d. It was agreed that one tree would be cut down and replaced. Bartlett's revised quote of £512 was accepted for the tree removal and a suitable apple tree for replacement would be sourced by Councillor Boddy.
- e. The bolts on the kissing gate had been cut down. The September RoSPA inspection had been ordered by the Clerk.
- f. No further information had been received on the sale of the fishing rights. It was estimated that if a permissive footpath were possible the fencing costs would be between £3,000 and £4,000. It was agreed that an interest group would need to be formed to take the matter further.
- g. A meeting had taken place between Councillor Stroud and Ian Jackson and a joint website was being developed. Tollerton Parish Council were in agreement with this.

**12/4 PUBLIC FORUM**

PC Paul Southgate reported that the police had conducted a speed check in Flawith between 5.00 and 5.30pm that day. Out of 40 vehicles 25% were travelling at over 30mph with 10% travelling fast enough to be eligible for the speed awareness course which was now being offered as an alternative to points on the licence..

Operation Avocado was in operation and was intended to educate speeders about the consequences of speeding. This was concentrated on the villages.

Crime statistics for Aldwark between June 2009 and June 2010 shows one auto crime, no thefts and no antisocial behaviour.

A member of the public asked PC Southgate about the process of antisocial behaviour reporting and action.

Approved .....

Chairman

Date.....

**12/5** **PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- a. 11/02464/FUL – Siting of 2 containers to incorporate a biomass boiler, controls and pellet storage with associated fencing at Aldwark Manor Hotel, Aldwark for Marston Aldwark Manor Ltd. **Wish to see APPROVED.**
- b. 11/02647/CAT – Proposed works to 6 trees subject to Tree Preservation Order at Aldwark Manor Hotel, Aldwark for Mr Richard Gamble. **Wish to see APPROVED.**
- c. 11/02600/FUL – Proposed alterations and extensions to existing dwelling and construction of detached garage at Cobble Hill Barn, Aldwark for Martin Greenwood. **Wish to see APPROVED.**

**12/6** **HAMBLETON DC – PLANNING DECISIONS & APPEALS**

None had been received.

**12/7** **WASTE SPREADING**

The Chairman had received a letter from the Regional Director of the Environment Agency asking for time to allow them to deal with on going legal matters connected with Mr Coning and Coast-to-Coast Recycling, about which he could not elaborate. It was envisaged that more information would be available at the end of February.

**12/8** **PARISH PLAN**

- a. The bolts on the kissing gate had been cut back. The Clerk had ordered the RoSPA inspection for September. It was agreed that the Queens Diamond Jubilee should be on the next agenda with the possibility of holding a function in the play area.
- b. Various 'For Sale' signs were scattered and piled up on the road from Alne Cross to Youlton. It was agreed to ask the Clerk to see if the sale had gone through and then report the matter to the Estate Agents.
- c. Due to the tankers spreading waste the sides of the roads were being eroded. Councillor Boddy had reported this to NYCC Area 2 office. They would monitor this and do emergency repairs. Hagg Lane in Youlton was in poor condition with a huge puddle unable to drain. Graham Inchboard had offered to allow a drain to be connected to his land drain with a suitable filter. Clerk to find out if this could be done by the Parish Council.

**12/9** **PARISH GROUP**

Councillor Dean was not present to report on this matter.

**12/10** **NYCC WASTE TREATMENT FACILITY**

Councillor Crooke left the room for this item.

It was agreed to facilitate a meeting for the developers, The County Council and the opposition group to present their cases in the presence of each other and residents of the surrounding area. However, if either party did not wish to attend then no meeting would be facilitated.

**12/11** **DOG WASTE BIN**

It was agreed that a dog bin from Aldwark would be relocated to Youlton. Councillor Boddy would transport the bin.

Approved ..... Chairman

Date.....

- 12/12**      **SPEEDING**  
The chairman reported that he and two others had been invited to a meeting about speeding in Flawith issues at Northallerton.
- 12/13**      **TELEPHONE BOX**  
It was agreed to adopt the telephone box in Flawith for £1. A group of residents had met to discuss its use and it was agreed that it should be utilised as a book swap location following refurbishment. There would be no cost to the PC.. It was also agreed that the telephone box in Adwark be adopted.
- 12/14**      **DERELICT PROPERTY**  
Building control had been involved in the Flawith property after part of the structure had fallen into a neighbour's garden. It had been agreed with the owner that the electrical supply would be removed and the building reduced to a height of 2 metres making the structure stable.
- 12/15**      **REVISED BUDGET**  
A revised budget was approved and it was agreed that the precept for 2012/13 be amended to £2,400.
- 12/16**      **APPOINTMENT OF PARISH CLERK**  
District Councillor Knapton left the room for this item.  
It was agreed that the clerk be employed for 10 hours a month at scale point 22 with a use of office allowance of £1 per hour and that NALC/SLCC travel expenses would be paid. This would be reviewed in six months.
- 12/17**      **POLICIES**  
Various draft policies had been circulated by the Clerk and these would be considered and put on the next agenda.
- 12/18**      **FINANCIAL MATTERS**
- a. Bank balances and receipts and payments were noted.
  - b. The attached payments were agreed.
  - c. It was agreed that a new bank mandate with HSBC be signed by all Councillors, two of which would be required to sign cheques. It was also agreed that a change of name form be signed changing the bank account name to Aldwark Area Parish Council.
- 12/19**      **CORRESPONDENCE**  
A list of correspondence since the last meeting was noted and attached.
- 12/20**      **COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT**  
Councillor Peter Sowray was not present.
- 12/21**      **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT**  
District Councillor Knapton reported on the scrutiny committee activities. A seminar was to be held by the Safety Partnership next month.

Approved .....

Chairman

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**12/22**      **PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

A problem with the blue recycle bins was reported in Youlton. These apparently could not be left at the end of the lane and the vehicle could not negotiate the lane. The Clerk to follow this up with Hambleton DC.

The noticeboard at Youlton would be cleaned by Councillors Dean and Stroud.

There was a lot of recycling rubbish which had scattered due to the high winds. Clerk to contact Hambleton DC Streetscene to clean rubbish in Aldwark and Youlton.

**12/23**      **MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON FUTURE AGENDAS**

Clerk's contract of employment.

Policies.

Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

**12/24**      **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 14 March 2012 at 7.30pm in the Adwark Arms.

**The Meeting closed at 10.05pm.**

Approved .....

Chairman

Date.....

## Payments

Image Playgrounds Ltd	Safety Matting	£420.00
Roland Crooke	Advert for Clerk	£15.97
Sue Southall	Clerk's Salary	£56.00
Hambleton DC	Election Expenses	£100.00

## Correspondence Received

28/10/2011	South Cleveland Heart Fund	Donation Request
23/12/2011	North Yorkshire County Council	Salt Bin Fill
02/01/2012	Amberol News	Brochure
03/01/2012	Hambleton DC	Update Newsletter
04/01/2012	PC Paul Duffield	Apologies
06/01/2012	Clerk & Councils Direct	Magazine
24/01/2012	Hambleton DC	Street Naming & Numbering

Approved .....

Chairman

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