

**ALDWARK AREA PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT ALDWARK MANOR HOTEL
ON TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2015**

Present: Councillors: Colin Stroud (Chairman), Gemma Boddy, Andy Follington, Sue Southall, John Topliss

In Attendance: Hannah Langler, HDC Planning Dept, (for items 15/83 and 84), HDC Cllr Chris Rooke

Apologies for Absence: HDC Cllr Geoff Ellis, HDC Cllr Nigel Knapton

15/83 NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

CS welcomed Hannah Langler from the HDC Planning Department who spoke and answered questions on the production of neighbourhood development plans and neighbourhood development orders. HL confirmed that HDC would be circulating the next stage of the Local Development Plan for consultation in January, with a draft plan scheduled for production in summer 2016 and the final Local Plan published towards the end of 2018. Where a neighbourhood development plan was produced it would become part of the District Council's statutory development plan but did involve a great deal of work and expense, far more than that involved in the production of a Parish Plan. Some funding was available through HDC to contribute towards the expenses involved. A neighbourhood development order was not as complex and identified a series of criteria for development. HL encouraged the council to participate in the Local Plan Consultation and await its outcome before taking any further action.

Councillors thanked HL for her contribution and would consider the matter further at their next meeting.

15/84 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

It was understood that a CIL of £30,000 was attached to the recently approved housing development in Aldwark, 15% of which would be passed on to the Parish Council, but it had proved difficult to ascertain more details and HL undertook to follow this up with the relevant personnel at HDC.

15/85 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 September 2015 were agreed as a correct record. There were no matters arising not already covered by the agenda.

15/86 SPEEDING IN FLAWITH, ALDWARK AND YOULTON

JT had spoken to Sergeant Hunter regarding the traffic survey carried out in Flawith and would be discussing with him the introduction of additional calming measures including replacement rumble strips.

15/87 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR

There had been very little response to the article placed in the parish magazine but AF had spoken to Peter Hardisty who confirmed he would be willing to have a defibrillator sited on the outside wall of the Aldwark Arms and also help with funding. AF felt the cost would be more in the region of £2,000 because of the need for a secure box to contain the defibrillator. It was agreed he should seek advice from Paul Stevens from the Yorkshire Ambulance Service and circulate options to councillors in due course. It was also agreed that the council should apply to Peter Sowray for a contribution of funds from the NYCC locality budget, once the costings had been approved.

15/88 PARISH WEBSITE

GB had spoken to Ian Jackson and spent some time creating an Aldwark Area identity and updating the website content. It was agreed this was now much more user friendly and informative. There had been some interest in the Facebook page.

Signed
Chairman

Date

15/89 FRACKING

CS had circulated information from the recent meeting he had attended in Easingwold and it was agreed to keep a watch for any proposals in the locality.

15/90 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- (a) **15/02485/FUL** Demolition of single storey rear extension and construction of two storey rear extension, **Lodge Farm, Aldwark** - no objections.
- (b) **15/02435/MBN** Notification for prior approval for proposed change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house, and associated operational development **Barn to the Rear of Auburn Hill, Flawith** - JT in the process of local consultation and will circulate observations for agreement prior to submission to HDC.

15/91 PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) Aldwark play area – nothing to report.
- (b) Roads, pavements and grass verges - agreed to accept the HDC grant of £50 and carry out grass cutting on urban visibility sites in the Parish.
AF commented on the poor and dangerous state of the road between Aldwark and Flawith caused by mud left by heavy farm traffic and was asked to raise the matter with the Highways Authority. It was agreed that the clerk should write to all farmers in the parish and remind them of the need to ensure the highways are kept clean and safe. GB agreed to provide relevant addresses.
- (c) Planning - the document on minerals was noted with nothing relevant highlighted in our area.

15/92 FINANCE

- (a) Internet Banking - it was agreed to confirm GB as the primary user for internet banking, subject to seeking approval from the other 2 signatories (CS and SS) prior to making a bill payment, up to a limit of £1,000.
- (b) Receipts and payments April – September 2015 were noted.
- (c) The following payments were agreed: £27.47 IBJ Help and Technology; £660 Geoff Hancock for grass cutting.
- (d) It was agreed to make a donation of £50 to the British Red Cross towards their appeal for a new ambulance for North Yorkshire.
- (e) Precept - GB and CS had prepared a draft budget for 2016/17 which was approved and it was agreed to keep the precept at £3,200 for 2016/17.

15/93 CORRESPONDENCE

Various items received since the last meeting and circulated by CS were noted.

15/94 REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR CHRIS ROOKE

- (a) HDC had received a request from the Home Office to house 28 refugees over the next 5 years.
- (b) There were currently a number of proposed housing development applications for Easingwold which, if all approved, would mean an additional 800 houses in the town.

15/95 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

AF spoke about the ongoing problem with the dogs at Home Farm, Aldwark, being allowed to roam free and cause a nuisance to both neighbours and passers by. The Police had been involved but the situation was ongoing. It was agreed AF would pass the information on to CS who would contact the HDC dog warden for assistance and, if necessary, write to the Proudleys on behalf of the Parish Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

As both CS and JT were out of the country in January and AF was unavailable, it was agreed the next meeting would be held at **7.30pm** on Tuesday 22 March 2016, at Aldwark Manor Hotel.

Signed
Chairman

Date