

**ALDWARK AREA PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT ALDWARK MANOR HOTEL
ON TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2015**

Present: Councillors: Colin Stroud (Chairman), Gemma Boddy, Andy Follington, Sue Southall,
In Attendance: Dr Ian Jackson (for item 15/78)

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

15/68 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 July 2015 were agreed as a correct record. There were no matters arising not already covered by the agenda.

15/69 SPEEDING IN FLAWITH, ALDWARK AND YOULTON

JT had been corresponding with Sgt Hunter from NY Police and would be arranging to meet him to discuss speeding issues in the near future.

CS had looked into the possibility of purchasing bin stickers from Harrogate Borough Council but this had not proved viable. Agreed to wait until JT had met with Sgt Hunter before pursuing any further.

15/70 NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

It was agreed to invite a member of the Hambleton DC planning team to attend the next meeting on 17 November to talk about neighbourhood development plans. The meeting would begin at 7pm.

15/71 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

CS had made little headway seeking information on the payment of the CIL which will be due on the new housing development in Aldwark. He had ascertained that the District Council decided how much the local community would receive and it would not be paid until work on any development has commenced.

15/72 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS

AF to discuss with Peter Hardisty the possibility of housing a defibrillator at the Aldwark Arms and to canvas opinion in Aldwark via the parish newsletter. The cost would be in the region of £1,300 including a security box.

15/73 NY FIRE & RESCUE CONSULTATION

It was noted that there were no planned changes to the fire station in Easingwold.

15/74 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- (a) **15/01407/FUL** Proposed construction of a single storey rear extension and separate new garage, St Clare, Flawith - no objections. HDC had subsequently granted approval.

15/75 HDC PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPEALS

- (a) **15/01093/FUL** Revised application for part two storey and part single storey rear extension & erection of detached garage and rendering of existing dwelling, Bay Horse Farm, Aldwark – granted.
- (b) **15/01421/TPO** Works to trees covered by Tree Preservation Order, Aldwark Manor Hotel – granted.

15/76 GRASS CUTTING

All seemed to be going well in the Parish.

Signed
Chairman

Date

15/77 PUBLIC CONTRACTS REGULATIONS 2015

The appropriate amendments to the Parish Council's Standing Orders were approved.

15/78 WEBSITE

Despite difficulties accessing the internet during the meeting (a) Dr Jackson gave a brief presentation on the background to and his current efforts updating the Tollerton and Aldwark Parish Council websites using Joomla software and costing £27 per quarter, split between the two PCs, plus a 2-yearly fee for the domain name. He was also planning to introduce a Facebook page for Tollerton. (b) Gemma Boddy outlined the work she had carried out in creating a slightly different look for the Aldwark Area PC website using a simpler, but not as secure, software. GB and AF felt strongly that Aldwark Area PC should have significant input into the look and content of its website but all agreed there were merits in using the more secure software. It was agreed that GB should meet with Dr Jackson and look at the feasibility of achieving a mutually acceptable agreement for the website and also to set up a Facebook page for Aldwark to determine the response. This would all be reviewed at the next meeting.

15/79 PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) Aldwark play area – AF had carried out repairs to fencing.
- (b) Public communications - CS reported that most of Flawith was now receiving much improved broadband speeds, following the installation of a fibre cabinet at Alne Cross, and Youlton had also seen an improvement. There were, however, no plans for BT to improve the service to Aldwark in phase 2 (a) or (b).

15/80 FINANCE

- (a) Bank balances, actual vs budget and receipts and payments were noted - balance as at 6 September 2015 £5,005.17. Payments had been made for the parish newsletter contribution and the Flawith parish election expenses, as agreed at the last meeting. Income of £85.29 had been received from NYCC for grass cutting.
- (b) GB had now set up telephone banking and was asked to look at the papers received for on line banking and report back on action required to the next meeting.
- (c) Payment of £35 for the annual subscription to Rural Action Yorkshire was approved.

15/81 CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Approval of the external audit.
- (b) Transparency fund grant.

15/82 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held at **7pm** on Tuesday 17 November, at Aldwark Manor Hotel.

Signed
Chairman

Date