

**ALDWARK AREA PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT ALDWARK MANOR HOTEL  
ON TUESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2016**

**Present:** Councillors: Colin Stroud (Chairman), Andy Follington, Sue Southall, John Topliss (from item 16/52)

In Attendance: Cllr Peter Sowray, one member of the public.

Apologies for absence were received from Gemma Boddy, HDC Cllr Geoff Ellis

**16/50 PUBLIC FORUM**

Neil McBride, a resident from Flawith asked for assistance from the Parish Council with regard to the derelict property in Flawith, adjacent to his own, which was an obvious environmental nuisance, an amenity detrimental to the village and having an adverse effect on the sale of Mr McBride's own property. It was agreed that JT be asked to draft a letter to submit to HDC Planning and Environmental Health and CS to contact DCllr Nigel Knapton to try and resolve the current situation

**16/51 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2016 were agreed as a correct record. There were no matters arising not covered by the Agenda.

**16/52 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- (a) **Ref 16/02094/FUL** Proposed construction of an agricultural livestock and storage building, land to east of Lodge Farm and west of Drovers Lodge, Flawith - no objection.
- (b) Local Consultation Plan - JT outlined the implications from the HDC website which proposed that development should only take place in primary and secondary tier settlements. The situation regarding infill development was not clear but he was attending a meeting in Easingwold in the near future when hopefully the position would be confirmed.
- (c) Harrogate District Council planning for explosives store in Great Ouseburn - this had come to the attention of Aldwark residents and would have a significant visual impact on the village. It was likely that a full planning inquiry would need to be held because of the nature of the proposal and it was agreed the PC should take an interest and wait to hear Hambleton DC's view. It would be useful to have representation at and feedback from the Great Ouseburn PC meeting on 23 November.

**16/53 OLD BOAT HOUSE**

CS confirmed that RAF Linton on Ouse had officially declined the request for any Aldwark village use of the old boat house for health and safety reasons.

**16/54 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR**

AF reported the defibrillator was now fitted but had not been registered as he was having difficulties contacting Heart Safe in Harrogate to complete the process. Once registered with the Ambulance Service he would arrange a training day and the equipment could become active. It was agreed a sign should be displayed advising that the defibrillator was not yet in use. AF to ask GB to claim the grant money from NYCC for Cllr Sowray to approve.

**16/55 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY**

Payment of the CIL from the housing development in Aldwark has now been made to the Parish Council and must be spent on infrastructure identified as important within the community, with approval, within five years. Improvements to the play area, use of a matrix sign were possible ideas and it was agreed to use the Parish Meeting in May as a forum to consider thoughts. CS to ask Cllr Knapton whether the CIL could be used within the Parish outside of the village of Aldwark.

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Chairman

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**16/56 PLAY AREA INSPECTION REPORT**

As circulated by CS the report highlighted the need to improve the entrance gate. David Holliday had been approached and would fix a new gate and complete the repairs to the back fencing. The cost, likely to be in the region of £500, was approved and it was agreed this should be paid from the CIL money received.

**16/57 ROAD SIGN IN YOULTON**

NYCC had declined the request for a road sign warning of the entrance to Maidens Folly, Youlton.

**16/58 GRANTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

- (a) A grant of £50 was approved for Hambleton & Richmondshire Citizens Advice Bureau.
- (b) It was agreed not to support the request from the British Red Cross Yorkshire Family Reunion. AF requested that, as a matter of principle, there should be some written criteria for supporting donation requests and it was agreed this should be in accordance with section 137, payment for the general benefit of the community.

**16/59 FINANCE**

- (a) Balance as at 8 November 2016 £12,091.14.
- (b) Payments agreed – Playsafe (play area inspection) £79.80; NYCC for Grit bin (Youlton) £90; Geoff Hancock (grass cutting Aldwark) £660; Up to £500 for gate and fence for play area.
- (c) It was agreed that the Parish Precept for 2017/18 should remain at £3,200.

**16/60 PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES**

- (a) A resident had requested that a mirror be placed at the end of Aldwark Lane but Cllr Sowray confirmed this would not be approved by NYCC.
- (b) AF reported an increase in dog fouling in the east side of Aldwark. It was suggested he should contact the HDC dog warden, fix additional signage provided by HDC and place an article in the parish newsletter.
- (c) Community Speedwatch - several sessions a week now taking place very successfully in Flawith. It was likely that Aldwark may join the scheme in the Spring.

**16/61 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT**

- (a) Easingwold School had been put in special measures and would become an Academy.
- (b) The minerals and waste plan was now out for consultation and included tighter rules on applications for fracking.

**16/62 CORRESPONDENCE**

The file of correspondence received by CS since the last meeting was passed on for circulation.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 17 January 2017, 7.30pm  
Future meeting date - Tuesday 21 March 2017

CS to circulate a list of proposed dates for 2017 in due course.

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Chairman