

ALDWARD AREA PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 16 May 2022 at 7.50pm

Present: John Topliss, Richard Padgett, Matthew Cliff

In attendance: Cllr Nigel Knapton, Alison Pollock (Clerk and RFO) and 1 member of the public

Minute

14/22 Apologies for absence – received from Andy Follington and Sarah Robinson

15/22 Declaration of interests in agenda items – none declared

16/22 Public forum – the primary issue of interest to the resident attending related to broadband in Youlton and is covered later in these minutes.

17/22 Minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 2022

The minutes were approved and were signed by the Chair. There were no matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

18/22 Aldwark tollbridge – the subcommittee/scrutiny panel, comprised of local residents and chaired by parish councillor Topliss, met several times and made a formal objection to the proposed toll increases on behalf of the parish council. Thanks were passed by the chairman to Mr Smith, Mr Bray, Mr Garner and Mrs Pollock for their time and input.

19/22 Speeding control measures

Aldwark is being registered by the clerk for the speed gun monitoring register and groups of local residents will be asked if they will volunteer to carry out the checks. If there become sufficient CIL funds available then a second vehicle-activated speed sign will be considered.

20/22 Youlton broadband coverage – there was further frustration expressed at the lack of progress in achieving superfast broadband coverage except at extortionate cost. After a suggestion from Councillor Knapton, it was agreed that a survey of households to establish current speeds, plus interest in superfast upgrades (if at reasonable cost) would provide a useful data set as evidence to take that to the local MP.

21/22 Youlton replacement village sign and new dog waste bin and signs

A replacement Youlton sign has been purchased to replace the stolen one. The clerk has arranged for Hambleton council to supply an additional dog waste bin, plus extra signs, after a suggestion by a Youlton resident.

22/22 Flawith tree works

It was agreed to have a potentially dangerous tree removed from the small grass village green in Flawith as its trunk is substantially split.

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23/22 RAF Linton on Ouse proposals

A public meeting was held in Linton on Ouse, and very well attended. Residents expressed significant concerns about the proposals to house asylum seekers in large numbers in a small community with little infrastructure, and the lack of any consultation. Hambleton District Council is considering legal challenge to the Home Office.

24/22 Hambleton District Council planning applications – to note the following:

- a) 20/01035/FUL Extension/alterations to provide improved spa and leisure facilities, Aldwark Manor hotel. Decision by HDC: Granted
- b) 21/02375/FUL – Replacement windows & doors, addition of windows and rooflights, glazed canopy & relocation of oil storage tank with screening. The Granary, Aldwark. Decision by HDC: Granted
- c) 21/01722/LBC Listed Building Consent for essential repairs to damaged timber deck to consist of replacement of timber planks, repainting of steel work and steel work repairs. Decision by HDC: Granted
- d) 21/02643/FUL Land north of Hag Lane, Raskelf, Construction of 6no poultry buildings, associated infrastructure, attenuation pond, new access track and hardstanding. Awaiting HDC decision
- e) 22/00904/FUL and 22/00905/LBC Single storey rear extension to a dwellinghouse. Awaiting HDC decision
- f) 22/00222/FUL Retrospective application for the siting of 2 no. generators and 2 no. silos. Decision by HDC: Granted
- g) 22/00301/FUL Demolition of single storey rear extension, construction of single storey rear and infill extension, new front and side doors with porches and other work including internal. Decision by HDC: Granted
- h) 22/00781/FUL Demolition of existing potting shed, construction of boot room linked to utility room. Awaiting HDC decision
- i) 22/00356/FUL Application for change of use of agricultural land to extend domestic garden. Construction of a greenhouse. Awaiting HDC decision
- j) 22/00395/LBC Replacement of lounge floor and strengthening of roof. Awaiting HDC decision
- k) 22/00072/FUL Construction of 5 two storey riverside holiday lodges and external amenity. Awaiting HDC decision
- l) 22/00005/FUL Removal of conservatory and construction of single storey with side rear extension. Decision by HDC: Granted

25/22 Finance

- a) Receipts and payments and bank balances were noted
- b) It was agreed that Matthew Cliff, John Topliss and Richard Padgett will become the new signatories for the parish council bank account

26/22 Portfolio responsibilities

- a) **Leisure/Play Area** – no further issues

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- b) Roads, pavements and grass verges** – there are still some silted up gullies and potholes on which repairs will be chased up
- c) Public communications** – no further issues. The Youlton email list is now being used
- d) Planning** – no further issues
- e) Rural matters/environment/public footpaths and bridleways** – there is a carried forward action for the clerk to follow up on the previously agreed action to get some anti-littering signs

27/22 Dates of future meetings/close

To be confirmed. The meeting closed at 9:10pm.