

**ASHOVER PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held in**  
**The Sports Pavilion, Milken Lane, Ashover at**  
**7.15 p.m. on Tuesday 18 JULY 2017**

**PRESENT**

Cllrs E Willmot (Chairman), S Dronfield, N Early, R Fidler, Mrs M Hayward,  
Mrs L Hunter-Bott, C Miller.  
W Armitage (Parish & NEDDC District Cllr)  
S Atkinson (Parish Clerk)  
Members of the Public – 10

**NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

**072/17 Apologies for absence.**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs R Early, Mrs A Tyson and DCC Cllr B Lewis.

**073/17 Variation of Order of Business.**

There was no variation in the order of business.

**074/17 Declaration of Members Interests and Requests for Dispensation**

Interests were declared and relevant forms completed and dispensations confirmed as follows:-

- District/Parish Cllr W Armitage – Planning (dispensation granted to May 2019)

**075/17 Recording and Filming of Council and Committee Meetings**

Members of the Public and Councillors were reminded that:-

The right to record, film and to broadcast meetings of the council, committees and sub committees is established following the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014. This is in addition to the rights of the press and public to attend such meetings. Meetings or parts of meetings from which the press and public are excluded may not be filmed or recorded. Members of the public are permitted to film or record meetings to which they are permitted access, in a non-disruptive manner.

**076/17 Public Speaking**

Public – A member of the Ashover Footpaths Group spoke on a scheme to improve access along a Right of Way across stepping stones in Butts Quarry. This had been approved by Derbyshire County Council and supported by Peak and Northern Footpaths Society with no cost to DCC or the parish. Members welcomed the improvement.

The applicant spoke on application 17/00692/FLH Proposed side extension to existing dwelling to provide a double garage and entrance porch (Revised scheme of 16/01034/FLH) Hill Top House Hilltop Road Ashover.

County/District Liaison – NEDDC Cllr W Armitage reported on the progress of the District Council's Local Plan, an Estate Walkabout with Ryneld Homes, a report to the Environment Agency on water quality in the River Amber on 16/07/2017 and an interview with Radio Derby regarding development in Ashover.

**077/17 Minutes**

The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held 20 June 2017 were put forward and it was proposed and seconded that these be approved as a correct record.

***Resolution: That the Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held 20 June 2017 are approved as a correct record.***

**078/17 Exclusion of Public**

There were no items taken in exclusion.

## 079/17 Planning

### Applications

**Application Number:** 17/00595/OL

**Proposal:** Outline application (with all matters other than access reserved) for up to 4 dwellings including associated access landscaping and infrastructure

**Address:** Land South Of Rattle Grange Cripton Lane Ashover

**Applicant:** Mitchell Proctor Architects

#### **COMMENTS:**

#### **ASHOVER PARISH COUNCIL STRONGLY OBJECTS TO THIS APPLICATION ON THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS:-**

**Policy H3** - The proposal is outside the Settlement Development Limit and does not comply with any of the conditions in this policy.

**Policy NE1** – The proposal would result in the loss of distinctive features that contribute towards and add value to the landscape character of the area.

**Policy NE2** - The proposal is within the Special Landscape Area and would detract from the surrounding landscape and have an adverse effect on the visual amenity, character and function of the SLA. Members support the Ashover Tree Warden's comments and confirm that the proposal would affect trees covered by the Tree Preservation Order.

**Policy NE3** - The proposal would seriously damage wildlife generally and particularly Badger setts that are present in the proposed development area.

Ashover Parish Council requests a copy of the suppressed report on the badger population, held by NEDDC, for perusal and comment.

Ashover Parish Council further requests that NEDDC commissions an up to date report to assess the ecological value of this site, not only in terms of protected species, but more widely for its local ecological value, as a basis for attributing proper weight to the matter as required under the NPPF.

**Policy T2** - The adjacent highway/access has poor visibility, history of minor collisions and previous applications for access onto this stretch of road at this point have been refused i.e. (09/00340/FL) *"in the interests of highway safety and in accordance with Policies T2 and T9 of the NED Local Plan."* The proposed access splay is measurably shorter than that which the Highway Authority said was the absolute minimum required to comply with current guide lines for the recent application at Marsh Brook. (16/00127/FL). The road is shared by vehicles, horse riders and pedestrians. There is no pavement for pedestrians (in the vicinity of the proposed site entrance) and the stone walls on either side prevent pedestrians from avoiding vehicles on the road. Members do not accept the comments of the Highway Authority as vehicles currently cannot pass on this stretch of road and further proposed and approved development along this road will exacerbate this situation. Local knowledge confirms that water run-off across the road leads to icy and dangerous conditions in winter months.

**Policy CSU4** – Ashover Parish Council seriously questions the capability of the current sewage treatment works to adequately support the planning permissions already approved but not yet built i.e. Narrowleys lane (14/00766/OL), Moor Road (16/00071/OL), Kelstedge (16/00472/OL) and (15/01212/OL) and (15/01220/OL), and Milken Lane (17/00200/OL) an additional 57 dwellings. The Water Authority does not appear to have commented on this application and it is requested that similar conditions imposed by the Water Authority on other outline applications, are applied to this application.

**GS 1** – The proposal is contrary to saved policies GS1, as the proposal does not contribute to a sustainable pattern of development, and does not conform to the requirements of GS6 for new development in the countryside.

**Submitted Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan** - The proposal is not in accord with the submitted Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan Policies, AP1, AP2, AP3, AP14. **Whilst the Committee may be advised to give little weight to the Neighbourhood Plan, the wishes of the people who live and work within the parish must be the primary consideration in any planning application of this nature as it effects the environment they live in and their day to day life in general. At all the public consultations which took place on the now submitted Neighbourhood plan, development within the SDL is supported along with infill plots, whereas this type of development was vehemently objected too.**

\* *"Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area. They are able to choose where they want new homes, shops and offices to be built, have their say on what those new buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided, and grant planning permission for the new buildings they want to see go ahead. Neighbourhood planning provides a powerful set of tools for local people to ensure that they get the right types of development for their community where the ambition of the neighbourhood is aligned with the strategic needs and priorities of the wider local area."*

\* <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/neighbourhood-planning--2>

Paragraph: 001 Reference ID: 41-001-20140306

**Further, the proposal is limiting the settlement gap with Kelstedge as supported by the emerging Local Plan 2011-2033 and it would impose a serious loss of amenity to private dwellings adjacent the site.**

**Application Number:** 17/00632/FL  
**Proposal:** Application for manege  
**Address:** Clover House Farm Screetham Lane Ashover Chesterfield  
**Applicant:** Mr John Pembery  
**COMMENTS:** No local issues to raise.

**Application Number:** 17/00607/FLH  
**Proposal:** Demolition of existing conservatory and provision of new garden room including internal alterations  
**Address:** Hay Farm Ashover Hay Ashover Chesterfield  
**Applicant:** Mr Robert Proctor  
**COMMENTS:** Members and/or the public cannot comment on this application as no documents appear on the website.

**Application Number:** 17/00692/FLH  
**Proposal:** Proposed side extension to existing dwelling to provide a double garage and entrance porch ( Revised scheme of 16/01034/FLH )  
**Address:** Hill Top House Hilltop Road Ashover Chesterfield  
**Applicant:** Mr Cruise  
**COMMENTS:** A 'simple search' of the Planning Application website shows no such application. However, plans were obtained from the Case Officer and Members supported the revised scheme as it addressed previous concerns.

**Application Number:** 17/00694/FL  
**Proposal:** Application for new 3 bed detached dwelling (Conservation Area)  
**Address:** Land South West Of The Old Poets Corner Butts Road Ashover  
**Applicant:** Mr P Brailsford  
**COMMENTS:** Ashover Parish Council supports the application as being within the criteria set out in the submitted Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan and within the settlement development limit. Attention is drawn to possible access issues across the adjacent Bridleway.

**Application Number:** 17/00652/FL  
**Proposal:** Demolition of existing outbuilding and construction of dependant relative and carer accommodation  
**Address:** Hay Cottage Ashover Hay Ashover Chesterfield  
**Applicant:** Mr P Wilson  
**COMMENTS:** Ashover Parish Council expresses concern that the proposal far exceeds the original footprint of the existing outbuilding.

**Application Number:** 17/00316/FL  
**Proposal:** Erection of link and conservatory along with rearrangements of domestic accommodation and demolition of outbuilding to form new driveway (revised scheme of 16/00386/FL) (Amended Plans/Amended Title)  
**Address:** Scotland Nurseries Stretton Road Tansley Matlock  
**Applicant:** Mr And Mrs Reynolds  
**COMMENTS:** No local issues to raise.

**Application Number:** 17/00675/RM  
**Proposal:** Application for approval of reserved matters (Layout, scale and appearance, means of access and landscaping) for five dwellings pursuant to outline planning permission 15/01212/OL  
**Address:** Land South Of Moorways Ashover Road Kelstedge Ashover  
**Applicant:** Peter May - JAB Short Ltd  
**COMMENTS:** Ashover Parish Council is extremely concerned that the comments submitted by the Water Authority at outline stage (email from STW dated 11/02/2016 refers) do not appear to have been considered under the 'reserved matters' application. Members request that the Water Authority provides written conditions for the sewerage arrangements for this development as part of this application and that these are made public.

**Application Number:** 17/00713/FL  
**Proposal:** Change of use from a residential school (Use Class C2) to a day school (Use Class D1).  
**Address:** Eastwood Grange School Milken Lane Far Hill Ashover  
**Applicant:** Priory Group  
**COMMENTS:** No local issues to raise.

**Application No:** NED 17/00741/CATPO  
**Parish:** Ashover  
**Ward:** Ashover  
**Officer:** Ms Emily Roper

Notification of intended works to trees within Ashover conservation area at The Old Rectory Church Street Ashover for Mr W Baskill

**COMMENTS: Ashover Parish Council supports comments submitted by Ashover Tree Warden.**

**080/17 Parish Maintenance** – Consideration was given to arrangements for holiday cover for the Lengthman, a request for maps from Severn Trent Water, a request for a ‘Free Car Park’ sign on Church Street, a request to place a banner on the courts’ fencing and car park barrier repairs, adjustments to doors on public toilets to allow closure.

**Resolution:**

- (i) That a cleaning firm is contracted to clean the public toilets during the Lengthman’s leave.*
- (ii) That Cllrs W Armitage and R Fidler cover safety inspections and courts’ opening/closing during Lengthman’s leave.*
- (iii) That a sewer map is requested from Severn Trent.*
- (iv) That a request is put forward to DCC for a ‘Free Car Park’ sign at the Church Street/Butts Road junction.*
- (v) That the request to place a banner on the courts is refused, but an offer made to advertise the group on the Parish Council website.*
- (vi) That an order is placed for repairs to the wooden barrier on the car park.*
- (vii) That an order is placed for the adjustment to doors on the public toilets.*

**081/17 Neighbourhood Planning** – The Minutes of the NP Steering Group Meeting held 11/07/2017 were put forward for approval. The Chairman of the NP Steering Group reported that, as requested by NEDDC, the submitted Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan had been re-dated to July 2017 and the consultation response summary updated. The documents had been placed on the Parish Council website and it was anticipated that NEDDC would commence consultation with Statutory Consultees week ending 21/07/2017.

**Resolution: That the Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meeting held 11 July 2017 are approved as a correct record.**

**082/17 Events** – Consideration was given to the Christmas Event on Sunday 03 December 2017 and associated costs (Local Government Act 1972 S144). A grant application had been made by the Event Group to the Ashover Community Medical Centre Ltd.

**Resolution:**

- (i) That a sum of £160 is made available to the Event Group for purchase of mulled wine, cups, chocolate coins and photocopying.*
- (ii) That an order is placed for the Christmas Tree and this cost reclaimed via the grant submitted to Ashover Medical Centre Ltd.(£320)*
- (iii) That the Parish Council covers any shortfall on the grant funding.*
- (iv) That a road closure is applied for to NEDDC and the cost reclaimed via the grant submitted to Ashover Medical Centre Ltd. (£200)*

**083/17 District, Town & Parish Conference & DCC Parish & Town Councils Forum** – Two delegates were approved to attend the NEDDC on Tuesday 05/09/2017 and DCC on Thursday 21 September 2017.

**Noted.**

**084/17 Rights of Way** – Minor Maintenance Agreement works on Rights of Way were put forward for approval.

**Resolution: That Minor Maintenance Agreement works on Rights of Way nos. 67,136,23,145 are approved and an order placed with a local contractor.**

**85/17 Defibrillators** – Further to Minute 293/17 a quotation for the refurbishment of the Littlemoor Kiosk had been received in the sum of £498.00 minus materials e.g. paint. The cost of paint etc. and 3 ‘Defibrillator’ signs would be approximately £140.00.

A grant of £1,270.00 had been received from Ashover Community Medical Centre Ltd. to cover the cost of the defibrillator for Littlemoor.

**Resolution:**

- (i) ***That a sum of £140.00 is authorised for the purchase of materials and signs for the refurbishment of the Littlemoor kiosk.***
- (ii) ***That a defibrillator and cabinet is purchased for installation at Kelstedge and a grant application to cover the cost made to Ashover Community Medical Centre Ltd.***

**86/17 1965 Trust Deed to Parish Hall** – Consideration was given to the release of original documents to the Ashover Parish Hall Management Trustees.

**Resolution:** ***That, when all Deed and Lease Documents are withdrawn from Sharp Young & Pearce of Nottingham (now Rother Sharp) (Minute 013/17), the 1965 Trust Deed to the Parish Hall is deposited with Ashover Parish Hall Management Trustees.***

**87/17 Health & Safety** – No matters were raised.

**Noted.**

**88/17 Section 137** – Ashover Brownies had applied for a grant to support some temporary relocation costs during refurbishment of the Bassett Rooms i.e. use of the Sports Pavilion.

**Resolution:** ***That a S137 grant of £30.00 is awarded to Ashover Brownies to cover some temporary relocation costs during refurbishment of the Bassett Rooms.***

**89/17 Training** – The Clerk requested to attend a DALC training event on 16/10/2017 on Freedom of Information and Data Protection.

**Resolution:** ***That the Clerk is authorised to attend a DALC training event on 16/10/2017 on Freedom of Information and Data Protection.***

**90/17 Parish Clerk’s Report** – The report including DALC circulars was put forward.

**Noted.**

**91/17 Electronic ‘Tablet’** – Consideration was given to the purchase of one ‘tablet’ for demonstration purposes. Several ‘tablets’ had been compared and a company had offered a refurbished ‘tablet’ for demonstration purposes subject to a deposit.

**Resolution:** ***That a deposit is paid for the loan of an electronic ‘tablet’ for demonstration purposes.***

**92/17 Financial Report** – A budget appraisal, printed report on the computerised accounts detailing account balances, cheques issued and cheques received were received

DATE	CHEQUE NO.	PAYEE	GOODS/SERVICE	TOTAL (£)
02/06/17	4072,4073	Employees	Salaries etc.	1665.59
02/06/17	4074	NEDDC	Grounds Maint.	14443.58
02/06/17	4075	Johnson Sfc Ltd	Car park repairs	714.00
02/06/17	DD	NEST	Pension Contribs	70.11
15/06/17	DD	Eon	Pavilion elec	21.00
19/06/17	DD	British Gas	Pavilion gas	83.00
20/06/17	4076	Fosse Ltd.	Courts markings	540.00
20/06/17	4077	PHS Group	WC mgmt. system	438.26
20/06/17	4078	Screwfix	Defib supplies	30.87
20/06/17	4079	Came & Co	Ann Ins Premium	1442.93
20/06/17	4080	Imp Training	Littlemoor defib	1548.00
20/06/17	4081	R Brocksopp	Cemetery trees	30.00

**Resolution:** ***That the Financial Report is confirmed and signed by the Chairman.***

**93/17 Cheques for Signature** – Details of cheques signed by authorised Councillors were received together with cheques for signature.

***Resolution: That cheques signed by authorised Councillors be confirmed and cheques put forward signed.***

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.55PM