

ASHOVER PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in
The Sports Pavilion, Milken Lane, Ashover at
7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 21 FEBRUARY 2017

PRESENT

Cllrs E Willmot (Chairman), S Dronfield, N Early, Mrs R Early, R Fidler, Mrs M Hayward,
Mrs L Hunter-Bott, C Miller and Mrs A Tyson
W Armitage (Parish & NEDDC District Cllr)
DCC Cllr B Lewis
S Atkinson (Parish Clerk)
Members of the Public – 12

NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

229/17 Apologies for absence.

There were no apologies for absence.

230/17 Variation of Order of Business.

There was no variation in the order of business.

231/17 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)
- Cllr Mrs L Hunter-Bott – Planning Application 17/00095/FL

232/17 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.

As proceedings were being filmed, the Chairman informed members of the public present and gave them the opportunity to leave the room.

233/17 Public Speaking

Public – Members of the public addressed the council on issues including Phone Masts/applications, litter, the Walking Festival, a grant for Ashover Footpaths Group, Ashover Parish Revised Neighbourhood Plan, Planning Application 17/00095/FL and netball on the hard courts.

Police – The most recent crime figures were reported: November 7 crimes, December one crime.

County/District Liaison – DCC Cllr B Lewis reported on possible listing of an historic monument in Milltown, signage and reporting to GPS to prevent wrong navigation down an unclassified road off Holestonegate Road, delays in streetlamp repairs due to supply and availability of workforce, an increase in County Council tax.

NEDDC Cllr W Armitage reported on an increase in District Council tax, tree removal within Tree Preservation Order no.1 (1944), a meeting with Rykneld Homes regarding parking at Kelstedge and Littlemoor when it was agreed that schemes would be costed out and a request to put information in the Annual Report regarding the location and use of defibrillators in the parish.

234/17/16 Minutes

The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held 17 January 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 17 January 2017 are approved as a correct record.

235/17 Exclusion of Public

There were no items taken in exclusion.

236/17 Planning

Narrowleys Lane Appeal - Department for Communities and Local Government Ref: APP/R1038/W/15/3133527 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 –Section 78

Appeal made by Marsh Green Estates Ltd - land at the junction of Narrowleys Lane and Moor Road, Ashover - application ref: 14/00766/OL

Following the decision by the Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP to uphold the above Appeal, the Parish Council had sent a letter to the MP and also to the Prime Minister, Natasha Engel MP and HRH The Prince of Wales requesting that the decision is overturned. Members were disappointed to report that the decision would not be reviewed and that responses had only been received from the Prime Minister, HRH The Prince of Wales and the Department for Communities and Local Government (on behalf of Sajid Javid MP) and that no direct response had been received from the Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP.

Applications

Application Number: 16/01271/FL

Proposal: Application for the erection of an agricultural storage building

Address: Westwood Farm Robriding Road Robriding Ashover

Applicant: Mr & Mrs John & Sylvia Parsons

NO COMMENTS

Application Number: 16/01258/FL

Proposal: Erection of storage hopper for Biomass Pellets

Address: Westwood Farm Robriding Road Robriding Ashover

Applicant: Mr John & Mrs Sylvia Parsons

NO COMMENTS

Application Number: 16/01257/FL

Proposal: Conversion of stone and tile outbuilding to a dwelling

Address: Westwood Farm Robriding Road Robriding Ashover

Applicant: Mrs Sylvia Parsons

NO COMMENTS

Application Number: 16/01276/CUPDMB

Proposal: Application for prior approval for change of use from agricultural building to dwelling under class Q (b)

Address: Westwood Farm Robriding Road Robriding Ashover

Applicant: Mr J Parsons

NO COMMENTS

Cllr Mrs L Hunter-Bott left the meeting and did not take part in any discussions on the following application.

Application Number: 17/00095/FL

Proposal: Proposed erection of 1no. three-bedroom dwelling

Address: Land To The East And North Of Marshbrook Butts Road Ashover

Applicant: Mr & Mrs R Dykes

COMMENTS: *Ashover Parish Council objects to this application and considers it to be 'creeping development' and that the reasons for refusal of application no. 16/00127/FL still apply. The application is in a Special Landscape Area and outside the Settlement Development Limit and is contrary to Local Plan policies GS1, GS6, H3 and NPPF chapter 55. Given the isolated nature of the site, it is considered that the erection of a dwelling, where historic and isolated buildings are sporadically located, would be*

at odds with the rural character of the area, harmful to the Special Landscape Area contrary to Local Plan policies GS6 and NE2.

The visibility from the proposed access points is believed to be below requisite standards and it is not accepted that the measurements put forward are achievable and is therefore in contravention of Local Plan policy T2.

A Right of Way crossing the site is made of old flagstones which should be preserved insitu.

Cllr Mrs L Hunter-Bott returned to the meeting.

Application Number: 17/00123/FL

Proposal: Section 73 Application to vary/remove conditions 8, 9, 10 and 11 relating to planning approval 07/01109/FL for barn conversion incorporating extension

Address: Westwood Farm Robriding Road Robriding Ashover

Applicant: Mr John And Mrs Sylvia Parsons

NO COMMENTS

Application Number: 17/00137/OL

Proposal: Outline application (all matters reserved) for one dwelling on land adjacent (affecting setting of a listed building)

Address: 2 Overton Lodge Jetting Street Milltown Ashover

Applicant: Mr S Perez

COMMENTS: *Ashover Parish Council supports the Environment Agency position that, in the absence of a flood risk assessment (FRA), the application should be refused until a satisfactory FRA has been submitted. Members also supported the request for a contaminated land assessment due to the proximity of the site to a former quarry. Concern was expressed at the capability of the adjacent street to take further traffic due to its narrow nature.*

Application Number: 17/00151/FLH

Proposal: Two storey extension to rear

Address: Abbott Farm Dewey Lane Brackenfield Alfreton

Applicant: Mr R James

NO COMMENTS

Application Number: 17/00172/LB

Proposal: Installation of roof light to front elevation (Listed Building)

Address: Hill Cottage Hill Road Ashover Chesterfield

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Jones

NO COMMENTS

Application Number: 17/00170/FLH

Proposal: Conversion of attached workshop to ancillary accommodation and glazed extension

Address: Quarry House Knabhall Lane Tansley Matlock

A NO COMMENTS

Application Number: 17/00030/OL

Proposal: Outline application with all matters reserved for the erection of one detached dwelling

Address: Land 50 Metres West Of 1 And 2 Overton Lodge Jetting Street Milltown Ashover

Applicant: Mr P Bartrop

COMMENTS: **The proposal is within the proposed Settlement Development Limit of the Draft Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan.**

Application Number: 17/00112/FL

Proposal: Erection of agricultural fodder store

Address: Birkin Lane Farm Birkin Lane Ashover Chesterfield

Applicant: Mr P Marriott

NO COMMENTS

Application Number: 17/00180/FL

Proposal: Application for conversion of outbuilding to holiday cottage

Address: Highoredish Farm Bungalow Coldharbour Lane Ashover
Chesterfield

Applicant: Mr G SHAW

NO COMMENTS

Public Path Diversion Order

FOOTPATH DIVERSION NO. 96 (part) relating to planning application-

Application Number: 16/00734/FL

Proposal: Extension to existing cow shed with footpath diversion (Public Footpath 96)

Address: Rushley Lodge Farm Jaggars Lane Darley Moor Matlock

Applicant: Mr E Neville

Parish Council Comments (July 2016): Ashover Footpaths Group comments that it would prefer to see the end of the diversion at the southern end to go straight into the next field rather than to onto a waterlogged area by the gate as it is now.

NO COMMENTS

237/17 Local Council Award Scheme (LCAS) – Notification has been received from the LCAS Accreditation Panel Co-ordinator that Ashover Parish Council had been awarded 'Quality' status under the scheme. The Panel had commended the Parish Council on its "informative and user friendly website and the high level of community engagement undertaken by the Council". The Chairman thanked Members and the Clerk for the work undertaken in achieving this award.

Resolution: *That Ashover Parish Council works towards 'Quality Gold' standard.*

238/17 Parish Maintenance – Consideration was given to items including repairs to a sunken gully on the car park, purchase of limestone for cemetery paths (2 tons), replacement handle on outside of Gents WC's. Additional maintenance was required to the hard courts' surface following an inspection by the contractor and estimates for professional pressure washing had been received as follows:-

Courtstall Services - £2290.00 plus VAT

Charles Lawrence Tennis Courts - £1250.00 plus VAT

Fosse Contracts Ltd. - £990.00 plus VAT

Further signage was requested for the May Day Carnival and notice had been given by two allotment holders.

Resolution:

- (i) That a site meeting is arranged with a contractor to discuss the specification for repairs to the sunken gully on the car park and the item placed on the agenda for March.*
- (ii) That purchase of 2 tons of limestone from Salisbury & Wood for use on cemetery paths is approved.*
- (iii) That purchase of a new door handle to the Gents WC from WG Pollard is approved.*
- (iv) That NEDDC is requested to moss kill on the courts followed by professional pressure washing undertaken by Fosse Contracts Ltd.*
- (v) That further signage is requested from Derbyshire County Council for the May Day event.*
- (vi) That vacant allotments are offered to the next people on the waiting list.*

239/17 Hard Courts – Consideration was given to a request for marking out court 3 for netball use.

Resolution:

- (i) That the principle of playing netball and the associated marking out of court 3 is approved.*
- (ii) That a further quotation is sought for the marking out of court 3 for netball.*
- (iii) That any potential health and safety issues regarding the storage of netball posts are considered.*

(iv) That the item is placed on the agenda for March 2017.

240/17 Neighbourhood Planning – The Chairman of the NP Steering Group reported that the revised Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan was currently out to public consultation until 13 March 2017. The APC Chairman, NP Chairman and Clerk would attend a presentation on the NEDDC Draft Local Plan and Neighbourhood Planning at NEDDC offices on 02/03/2017.
Noted.

241/17 Parish Events – Consideration was given to use of the Milken Lane car park for disabled parking on May Day 2017.
Resolution: That the use of Milken Lane car park for disabled parking on May Day 2017 is approved subject to access approval by Ashover Parish Hall.

242/17 Parish Hall – Consideration was given to nomination of a Parish Council Representative.
Resolution: That Cllr C Miller is nominated as the Ashover Parish Council Charity Trustee to Ashover Parish Hall CIO.

243/17 Cemetery – Consideration was given to approval of revised Burial Regulations, Fees & Charges Form and Monumental Mason Form to clarify that kerb sets were no longer allowed for maintenance purposes.
Resolution: That the revised Cemetery Forms, clarifying that kerb sets are no longer allowed, are approved.

244/17 Shared Access – Consideration was being given to provision for improved network coverage and funding opportunities (Minute 109/16) and a draft lease had been requested. Despite a further request having been sent on 19/01/2017, no draft lease had been received by the Clerk. Consideration was given to publicising the opportunity in a newsletter to gain public opinion.
Resolution:

- (i) That the item is placed in the next newsletter (no. 4) seeking public opinion on the proposal for the mast and that the newsletter is printed and circulated as widely as possible.**
- (ii) That a further email is sent to Shared Access requesting a copy of a draft lease.**

(Ashover Parish Council Standing Order 2(v) was suspended [9.30pm] and the meeting continued.)

245/17 Defibrillators – A defibrillator had been ordered and received for installation in Milltown.
Noted.

246/17 Health & Safety – There were no matters raised.

247/17 Play Area – Advice had been sought from NEDDC on options for renewal of play equipment following the Independent play area inspection and it was advised that a new play area scheme is considered.

Resolution:

- (i) That an article is placed in the Annual Report 2016/2017 (circulated to all households) requesting feedback on the types of equipment residents would prefer to see in the play area.**
- (ii) That the Finance Committee considers the potential costs at the precept meeting in October 2017.**

248/17 Tree Working Group – The Minutes of the Group meeting held on 18/01/2017 were received.
Noted.

249/17 Section 137 – A request for grant support had been received from Ashover Footpaths Group during ‘Public Speaking’.

Resolution: *That a S137 grant in the sum of £100.00 is made available to the Ashover Footpaths Group to support voluntary work undertaken on Rights of Way in the parish.*

250/17 Training – The next attended training event would be ‘Law and Good Practice’ on 23/02/2017 at Stretton. The Derbyshire Association of Local Councils’ (DALC) Spring Seminar would be held on 27/04/2017 from 9.30pm – 4pm.

Resolution: *That the Clerk is authorised to attend the DALC Spring Seminar on 27/04/2017 at a cost of £45.00.*

251/17 DALC Annual Subscription 2017/2018 – Consideration was given to the level of annual subscription for 2017/2018.

Resolution: *That Ashover Parish Council opts for Annual Subscription 2 (to include Group 1 training) at a cost of £553.71.*

252/17 Electronic ‘Tablets’ for Members – Consideration was given to the inclusion in the budget provision for 2018/2019.

Resolution:

- (i) *That the item is placed on the agenda for March 2017.*
- (ii) *That the Finance Committee considers costs at its precept meeting in October 2017.*

253/17 Parish Clerk’s Report – The report, including DALC circulars, was considered. The Clerk had contacted NEDDC regarding circular 03/2017 and the proposed legislation to enable local authorities to use discretionary relief powers to support publicly owned toilets. NEDDC would consider the percentage reduction nearer the time when the legislation comes into effect i.e. April 2018.

Resolution: *That the report including DALC circulars is received.*

254/17 Financial Report – A budget appraisal, printed report on the computerised accounts detailing account balances, cheques issued and cheques received was received.

DATE	CHEQUE NO.	PAYEE	GOODS/SERVICE	TOTAL (£)
03/01/2017	4017	HMRC	Tax & NI	953.39
03/01/2017	4018/4019	Employees	Salaries/Reimburse	1817.90
03/01/2017	4020	Walls Skip Hire	Cemetery skip	135.00
06/01/2017	DD	NEST	Pension Contribs	67.58
16/01/2017	DD	Eon	Pavilion electricity	28.00
17/01/2017	4021	Walls Skip Hire	Cemetery skip	135.00
17/01/2017	4022	Imperative Train	Defib & Cabinet	1548.00
17/01/2017	4023	Salis & Wood	Limestone & timber	93.76
17/01/2017	4024	Salis & Wood	4 tons road salt	460.80
18/01/2017	DD	British Gas	Pavilion gas	83.00
25/01/2017	DD	Eon	WC electricity	52.22

Resolution: *That the Financial Report is received.*

255/17 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 9.55PM