

ASHOVER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held in Ashover Parish Hall
**Tuesday 21 MAY 2024 commencing at 6.42pm immediately following the
Annual Council Meeting.**

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PRESENT

Councillors E Willmot (Chairman), R Fidler (Vice-Chairman), J Cook, J Daykin, S Dronfield,
E Hayward, Mrs L Hunter-Bott, C Miller, M Thomas
NEDDC Councillor Mrs H Wetherall
S. Atkinson (Parish Clerk)
Members of the Public – 2

024/24 Public Speaking

A member of the public clarified the use of litter bins for dog waste.

NEDDC Cllr Mrs H Wetherall thanked the Parish Council for holding the Public Meeting on 09/05/2024 and reported on progress that had been achieved. Cllr Mrs Wetherall continued to monitor planning issues.

Crime figures for February and March 2024 were reported.

025/24 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs R Early and
DCC Councillor B Lewis.

Noted.

026/24 Variation of Order of Business

There was no change in the order of business.

027/24 Declaration of Members Interests and Requests for Dispensation

No declarations of interest or dispensation requests were made.

Noted.

028/24 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 subcommittees 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.

Noted.

029/24 Exclusion of Public

To determine which items, if any, on the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded. If the Council decides to exclude the public it will be necessary to pass a resolution in the following terms:

- "That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, to consider a resolution to exclude the press and public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies(Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, in order to discuss the item."

No items were taken in exclusion.

030/24 Minutes

It was proposed and seconded that the Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held 16 April 2024 are approved as a correct record.

Resolution: That the Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held 16 April 2024 are approved as a correct record.

031/24 Planning

Application Number: 24/00269/FLH

Proposal: Single storey rear/side extension to form an orangery (Affecting a public right of way)

Address: Peasonhurst Farm Bungalow Peasonhurst Lane Uppertown Ashover

Applicant: Mr Symon Havenhand

Case Officer: Kenneth Huckle

No Comment

Application Number: 24/00317/FL

Proposal: Conversion of outbuilding to dwelling for use as a holiday let, including its occupation as a dependent relative unit ancillary to the dwelling at Cherry Tree Farm, Darley Road, Stonedge

Address: Cherry Tree Farm Darley Road Stonedge Ashover

Applicant: Mr Andrew Bird

Case Officer: Steven Wigglesworth

No Comment

Application Number: 24/00340/FLH

Proposal: Demolition of front porch, first floor extensions to front elevation

Address: Conifers Alton Lane Littlemoor Ashover

Applicant: Mr Shirley

Case Officer: Curtis Rouse

No Comment

Application Number: 24/00265/FL

Proposal: Conversion of existing attached outbuildings into additional connected residential living space (Affecting a public right of way)

Address: Northedge Hall Barns Northedge Lane Northedge Tupton

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Lunney

Case Officer: Steven Wigglesworth

No Comment

Application Number: 24/00357/LDC

Proposal: Application for Lawful Development Certificate for proposed two storey rear extension and a single storey side extension.

Address: Wine Tavern Farm Coldharbour Lane Ashover Chesterfield

Applicant: Mrs Tracy Parkin

Case Officer: Curtis Rouse

No Comment

Application Number: 24/00323/FL

Proposal: Erection of pig barn and tractor store

Address: Northedge Grange Northedge Lane Northedge Tupton

Applicant: Mrs Amanda Sweeting

Case Officer: Steven Wigglesworth

COMMENTS: Ashover Parish Council wishes to confirm that a change of use for this activity has been granted by the Planning Authority and that full details of disposal of pig waste has been assessed as this proposal is sited near to a road and watercourse. Members had concerns regarding access as this is via a junction with another property and no separate entrance appears to have been planned.

Application Number: 24/00383/FLH

Proposal: Extension to the rear of the property comprising a first floor bedroom created over the top of existing orangery.

Address: 5 The Paddocks Jetting Street Milltown Ashover

Applicant: Mr Mark Barltrop

Case Officer: Curtis Rouse

No Comment

Application Number: 24/00356/FL

Proposal: Conversion and change of use from existing Barn / Store & Stable block to Holiday Let

Address: The Barn Gladwins Mark Ashover Chesterfield

Applicant: Mr Harris

Case Officer: Steven Wigglesworth

COMMENTS: Ashover Parish Council questions the use of the conversion as a holiday let as the property appears to be the size of a permanent dwelling.

Following applications out of time for comment by Parish Council Members:-

Application Number: 24/00266/FL

Proposal: Replacement play area, new all-weather sport playing surface with timber sleeper retaining wall and associated fencing

Address: Eastwood Grange Milken Lane Far Hill Ashover

Applicant: Aspris Children's Services Limited

Case Officer: Alice Lockett

Application Number: 24/00279/FL

Proposal: The demolition of an existing storage building and replacement with a stable building containing a loose box, small tack store, bedding and feed storage space

Address: Ospring Farm Press Lane Old Tupton Chesterfield

Applicant: Mr S A Pass

Case Officer: Colin Wilson

232/24 Public Meeting held 09 May 2024

Members had received the 'overview' report on the meeting and this had also been published on the website and social media and circulated to all invited representatives. Members considered the meeting had achieved some goals, but that more enforcement was required on the A632. Members questioned whether the Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) data was being utilised by Highways to support a traffic calming scheme along the A632 and that clarification is sought.

Resolution:

- (i) That any required technical adjustments to the SIDs are undertaken.**
- (ii) That a letter is sent to Derbyshire County Council requesting clarification of the process for the SIDs data to be included within a traffic calming scheme for the A632 within Ashover Parish.**

233/24 Parish Maintenance

Consideration was given to a TPO at Overton Camp, use of the playing field for a company event by the cricket club and unapproved minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 16/04/2024 (to be approved at the APM in 2025). No quotations had been received for maintenance to the five parish bus shelters. Members had offered responses to an NEDDC review on outside services.

Resolution:

- (i) That the proposed TPO at Overton Camp is supported.**
- (ii) That no objections are raised on the proposed company event by the cricket club.**
- (iii) That further quotations are sought for maintenance of parish bus shelters.**
- (iv) That an update is sought on the flooding issue at Uppertown**
- (v) That a contractor is appointed for the cutting of ivy on the playing field boundary wall.**
- (vi) That a response is submitted to the NEDDC review on outside services.**

234/24 Speed Indicator Devices and A632 safety

This item had been fully discussed under the 'Public Meeting' item.

Noted.

235/24 River Amber

A Statement from Severn Trent Water (STW) had been read out at the Public Meeting on 09/05/2024 and a response to the 'overview' of the meeting had been received from STW.

Resolution:

- (i) That STW is asked if its response may be published on the Parish Council website and Facebook.**
- (ii) That a response is sent to STW in due course.**

236/24 Health & Safety

There were no items to report.

Noted.

237/24 Climate Change/Biodiversity

The Climate Change Working Group had progressed work-streams, complying with the Environment Act 2021 and Improvement Plan 2023 to "restore nature and improve the environmental quality of the air, our waters and our land." A Derbyshire Wildlife Trust inspection had been undertaken on three parcels of common land and a report was awaited. Any recommendations would be considered along with the NEDDC Tree Officer and quotes sought for the work. The 'Living Roofs' idea had been fully investigated but will not proceed – it was felt the costs of installation and maintenance were prohibitive and that the initiative would have less significance in a rural setting like ours.

Noted.

238/24 News Items

The Annual Report 2023/2024 was being collated.

Noted.

239/24 Future/New Projects and Events

Further to Minute 264/24, the Anti-Litter Posters had been displayed around the parish.

There were no updates on the provision of a chess table under a Government initiative.

The Community May Day Group had organised a successful event on 06/05/2024 and the Councillors and volunteers involved were commended. The Parish Hall would be discussing events for VE& VJ Day in 2025 and further details would be available for the June meeting.

Noted.

Cllrs J Cook and S Dronfield left the meeting at this point.

240/24 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report, including Derbyshire Association of Local Councils (DALC) newsletters and any correspondence received had been circulated to Members. A training request was put forward by the Clerk

Resolution: That the Clerk is authorised to attend NALC emergency planning training in October 2024 at a cost of £52.05.

241/24 Section 137 and other grant applications

No applications had been received.

242/24 Monthly Financial Report

A budget appraisal and report/reconciliation from the computerised accounts detailing account balances, cheques/transactions issued/authorised and cheques received and any outstanding receipts considered. The report was put forward for signature by the Chairman. Details of any cheques signed or for signature by authorised Councillors and BACS invoices were confirmed.

Resolution: That the Financial Report for April 2024 is confirmed and signed by the Chairman and that any cheques/BACS authorised by designated signatories, are confirmed.

DATE	PAYEE	GOODS/SERVICE	TOTAL (£)
03/04/2024	NEDDC	Council Elections 2023	3501.97
03/04/2024	Rialtas Business Solutions	Alpha software maintenance	230.40
08/04/2024	HMRC	Tax and NI	1292.35
09/04/2024	Auditing Solutions	Internal Audit 2023/2024	600.00
09/04/2024	Derbyshire ALC	DALC subscription 2024/2025	568.87
09/04/2024	NEDDC	Cleaning Public Toilets	772.30
10/04/2024	Ashover Parish Hall	Hire of Hall	36.00
11/04/2024	Npower	Defib kiosk electricity	62.99
11/04/2024	NEST	Pension contributions	105.86
16/04/2024	ICCM	Annual Subscription 2024/2025	100.00
16/04/2024	Notice Board Company	Car Park Notice Board	603.58
18/04/2024	Shed Grounds Maintenance	Flowerbed Maintenance	109.90
18/04/2024	NALC	Neighbourhood Planning Training	52.04
18/04/2024	NALC	Finance Training	52.04
18/04/2024	Shed Grounds Maintenance	Cemetery Maintenance	681.60
22/04/2024	PCC Business Account	May Day Grant LGA 1972 s144	540.00
22/04/2024	Water Plus	Public toilets - water	118.52
23/04/2024	Employees	Salaries, Allowance, mileage	2000.69
29/04/2024	Water Plus	Allotments - water	17.93
30/04/2024	Home Produce Club	S137 grant	100.00
30/04/2024	NALC	Emergency Plan Training	52.05

The meeting closed at 08.25pm