

Ildridgehay & Alton and Ashleyhay Parish Neighbourhood Plan

Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Steering Committee held on Tuesday, February 26th 2013 at 7pm in the Village Corn Store.

Present: Steering Committee members with apologies from Nick Bristow, Robert Tatler, Valerie Taylor, John Wiltshire, Mary Wiltshire,
In attendance: 4 members of the public.

1. **Minutes of previous meeting.** Dudley Ibbett opened the meeting. All agreed the minutes of the meeting held on January 24th were a true and accurate record and they were signed by Dudley.
2. **Matters arising.** There were no matters arising except that Val Whitley asked to be added to the list of Steering Committee members.
3. **Naming the project** had proved to be an interesting exercise with all agreeing to adopt the most popular name of ***VIA – Vision for Ildridgehay, Alton & Ashleyhay.***
4. **Report of meeting at AVBC on February 7th.** Jane Smith reported on the recent meeting at Ripley between Rob Thorley, Rachel Coates and Amie Taylor, the District Council's Core Strategy Team, and Ros Hallam, Parish Clerk, Jane Smith and Michael Smith. The purpose of the meeting had been to reinforce the joint parishes intention to develop a Neighbourhood Plan and to set up a line of communication between the Steering Committee and the District Council. It was agreed that, following tonight's formal adoption of the Steering Committee Constitution, the PC would formally lodge a request for designation of the joint parishes as a Neighbourhood Area in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012. Jane Smith agreed to look into various funding options suggested by the Core Strategy team. Anna Bristow and Martin Redman both asked about the need for funding. It was agreed that this should be minimal, given that most of us are prepared to volunteer time and skills. There would be printing costs in the future and the need for social gatherings with refreshments etc but other than that, the projects main costs are accommodation for meetings. AVBC have to organise and fund the referendum and examination in due course but they apply to Central Government for extra burden funding to cover costs. One point arising during the meeting at Ripley (see JS & RH's notes attached) was that AVBC hoped to retain the Special Landscape Area Designation and certain of the Local Plan saved policies e.g. EN6 & EN11, but, they needed to "beef up" the policies and asked us for help in providing evidence that the SLA should be retained.

- 5. The draft Constitution** was agreed and adopted by the Steering Committee with immediate effect.
- 6. The working groups were formed** with volunteers from the public and the Steering Committee members present. See attached schedule. Three groups were formed using the ideas and issues from the previous meeting which had been loosely colour coded and grouped together: -

- a) ENVIRONMENTAL (Green Group)
- b) ECONOMIC (Blue Group)
- c) SOCIAL, COMMUNITY & INFRASTRUCTURE (Pink Group)

There followed general discussion on the objectives of the working groups, how to collect baseline information, what information is relevant, the importance of gaining evidence, how do we define our neighbourhood, what do we like/dislike/feel the need to change about it.

- 7. Venues for working group meetings.** It was agreed that we could keep costs down and be flexible as to dates if the working groups meet in our own homes. To that end, the following dates and venues were arranged: -

a) SOCIAL, COMMUNITY & INFRASTRUCTURE (Pink Group) - Wed 6th March, 7:30pm at Church Farm, Idridgehay, DE56 2SJ. Tel: 01773 550962 Elspeth & Simon

b) ECONOMIC (Blue Group) - Wed 6th March, 7pm at Spendlove Fm Cottage, Barnsley Lane, Ashleyhay, DE4 4AH. Tel: 01629 825229 Jane & Michael

c) ENVIRONMENTAL (Green Group) - Thurs 7th March, 7pm at Toplis Farm, Ashleyhay, DE4 4AJ. Tel: 01629 822670 Glynis & Dudley

- 8. Appointment of Chair for each working group.** It was agreed that each group would elect a Chair at the first meeting.
- 9. Collection of information.** It was agreed that members of each working group would have skills to share and identifying those skills would be a good starting point at the first meeting. Dudley told the meeting about some worksheets he had posted on the Parish website for guidance as a neighbourhood planning toolkit. Groups would then decide how to collect information e.g. population statistics, number of existing businesses etc.
- 10. Who do we need to consult?** There is a duty to consult with partners and stakeholders e.g. statutory bodies as well as residents and landowners in the neighbourhood.

11. Any other business. Jane Smith told the meeting that Derbyshire Wildlife Trust were holding a talk tomorrow evening at Waltham House regarding their Ecclesbourne River Conservation Project, with a further event sometime next week in Duffield. Also, Kara Werner of Wirksworth Team Ministry had asked for a 5-minute slot at the March meeting to discuss the Parish Church as a community centre and the relevance of that to the neighbourhood plan and the working groups. It was agreed that Kara would be invited to speak at the beginning of the March meeting.

12. The next meeting will be at the Village Corn Store on Thursday, 28th March at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 9:00pm

Signed as a true and accurate record.

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