



The first meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee will be held on the

24th January 2013

WINTER GRITTING

Winter has now arrived. AVBC will be providing some grit again and the parish will be topping this up with its own purchase. The grit is not for use on private property. Sorry, but you have to buy your own for this. Please be very careful where you are spreading it. A sprinkling is all that is required.



CHURCH NEWS

The church now has full kitchen facilities to give it wider use for the community. We are hoping to make more use of this venue. If you have any ideas for events you'd like to be put on in the Parish please let us know.

Each year the Church raises funds by collecting old clothes, blankets etc. This year it raised £140. The money is used to help with the upkeep of the church and the Air Ambulance. The collection will start again in March. Please drop any items through the door.

Carol Service December 23rd 6 pm

The Parish Council would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and New Year



Council Meetings take place on the second Wednesday of every other month at 7:00pm above the Village Corn Store in Idridgehay. You are more than welcome to attend. If you have any specific issue you want to raise please contact the Clerk one week before the meeting. The date for the next meeting is: 9th January 2013

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The clerk is the first point of contact for all parish and council matters

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Cllr D. Taylor 01773 550573
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DCC elected rep. Cllr C. Jackson

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DCC Call Derbyshire

Idridgehay, Alton
& Ashleyhay
Parish Council

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ALTON

ASHLEYHAY

Newsletter



Welcome to the winter special edition of the Council's Newsletter. This newsletter is dedicated to the Parish Council's decision to put forward an application to produce a **Neighbourhood Plan** for the area covered by the council.

In this newsletter we hope to answer the following:

What is a **Neighbourhood Plan**?
Why Bother?
How can I get involved?

There are also a couple of updates:

Winter Gritting
Church News

So, please read on.

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WHAT IS A NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN?

In very simple terms it is **your opportunity to shape where you live.**



What is important to you about where you live? It is the green field you look out on; the quiet country lane; the bus stop outside your door? These are perhaps some of the things you'd like to preserve. What about the things you'd like to improve? More trees, paths, affordable housing for my children, a reduction in cars speeding too quickly through the village

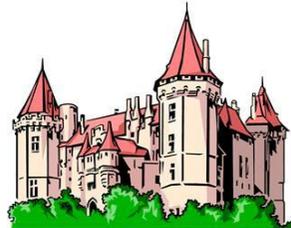
A **Neighbourhood Plan** can include all, some or none of these. The choice is down to the people in the area covered by the plan as to what is included and ultimately they have the opportunity to vote on whether to accept the plan. If a majority vote yes the **Neighbourhood Plan** becomes part of the AVBC development plan. Policies in the **Neighbourhood Plan** can then take precedence over Policies in the AVBC Local Plan. You will be shaping the future of your neighbourhood.

WHY BOTHER?

Good question. Recent planning decisions have shown that Amber Valley Borough Council (AVBC) is out of touch with rural communities like ours. It's understandable as most of AVBC's population is in towns. They need our knowledge and help and the way for us to ensure they hear what we have to say is to have a **Neighbourhood Plan** that they must take into account when making decisions about our future and the future of the countryside in which we live.

Neighbourhood Plans can include green spaces and policies on the design of buildings.

Do you want a building like this to be planted in a plot of land next to you?



If you don't, then please be bothered.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Help us. Give us your opinions and your ideas. If you are able, we'd also like some of your time, your knowledge and your skills to help us ensure the plan reflects the community and its aspirations for the present and the future.

SOCIAL GATHERING

**Tuesday 15th January at
7:00PM**

Idridgehay Parish Church

Light refreshments
will be available



The event will be held as a get-together for Parish residents and will include brief 10 minute presentations on the following:

The history of the parishes
A pictorial vision of the parishes
A **Neighbourhood Plan**

Following these there will be an opportunity to ask questions, look at some poster displays and generally socialise with your neighbours.

If you're not able to attend but would like to know more the following document provides some background information on **Neighbourhood Plans**. Much of this applies to large towns so please don't be put off. We are a small Neighbourhood - it doesn't need to be that big a task.

HOW TO SHAPE WHERE YOU LIVE: A GUIDE TO NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

www.cpre.org.uk/resources/housing-and-planning/planning/item/download/1629