

## ASHFORD-IN-THE-WATER PARISH COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2015 IN ASHFORD SCHOOL

- Present:** Cllr D Windle (Chairman), Cllr R Akeroyd, Cllr R Spinks, Cllr B Taft, Mrs A Fox (Clerk)
- 01.15**        **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr W Dinley, Cllr R McGoverne, Cllr T Williams, Cty Cllr J Twigg, District Cllr C Walker,
- 02.15**        **Declaration of Members' Interests:** None.
- 03.15**        **To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:** None
- 04.15**        **Public Participation:** None
- 05.15**        **Minutes of the parish council meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> December 2014:** The minutes were proposed by Cllr Akeroyd as a true record, seconded by Cllr Spinks and signed by the Chairman.
- 06.15**        **Confidentiality:** None
- 07.15**        **Items reported by the Clerk:**
- 114.13**        **Automatic External Defibrillator:** It was reported that the AED is now operational. A training session has been arranged for Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 in the War Memorial Institute and will be conducted by the Heartbeat Trust. An article will be published in the parish magazine regarding this. Anyone interested in undergoing training may attend the training session, which can accommodate 50 people maximum. If demand is greater than this, a further session will be arranged. The Clerk was asked to obtain a copy of the magazine article from Dr Mundy and place this on the door of the Institute.
- 27.13 1)**        **Public Conveniences - Sign:** DDDC reported that the sign had not been replaced because the parish council had asked them to remove it in 2010. The Clerk was requested to inform DDDC that the sign is now required.
- 129.13 9)**        **World War One War Memorial:** The refurbishment work has now been completed and an invoice for £180.00 received from Mandale Memorials. As agreed, the Clerk will invoice Ashford PCC for 50% of this cost, i.e. £90.00.
- 44.14 1)**        **Grass Bank, Highfields:** Reimbursement of £100 is awaited from Dales Housing.

**110.14 2) Grit Bins:** A quotation of £150.00 + VAT for a 200 litre bin and £255.00 + VAT for a 400 litre bin had been obtained by Cllr Taft from Woods Maintenance, as against the quotation of £267.77 + VAT from DCC. The Clerk was requested to contact the insurance company regarding the grit bin on Vicarage Lane which was destroyed by a recent road traffic accident, with a view to re-claiming the cost of the new grit bin. The Clerk was also requested to contact DCC to request an antique lamp post as a replacement for the previous one. It was agreed that the 2 new grit bins would be located as follows:

- 1) The smaller one to be located behind the notice board in the Institute car park.
- 2) The larger one to replace the destroyed grit bin on Vicarage Lane.

**122.14 8) Online Banking:** The forms had been submitted, but had subsequently been returned as all signatories on the parish council account are required to sign.

**123.14 2) Dog Control Order:** Four responses had been received from Ashford to the consultation. The parish council expressed concern that dogs are roaming freely on the Hall Orchard and dog owners are not cleaning up after them. It was therefore agreed that compromise would not be possible and that dogs should be banned completely from the grass area, particularly as the Hall Orchard is a playing field rather than a park.

**07.15 7) Parish Precept:** After due consideration of expenditure in 2014/15 and budgetary requirements for 2015/16, a precept of £10,120.00 was agreed upon, as detailed in the appendix to these minutes.

#### **08.15 Items Raised by Members:**

**111.14 1) Flooding Issues:** It was agreed that purchase of the following items could proceed:

6 life jackets @ £35.00  
200 aquasacs @ £1,000  
10 helmets @ £50

The next flood meeting is to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> February

#### **09.15 Planning Matters:**

1) **Application – The Mill, Mill Lane:** The parish council has reservations about this plan as a whole and the conversion to living accommodation. This building is part of our local heritage which the parish council feel should be preserved as its original function.

The parish council object to the bridge as it is out of character in the setting of a listed building and is also in a conservation area. It is also felt to be unnecessary.

2) **Application – Derventio House, Buxton Road:** The parish council has no objection to this application.

**10.15 Financial Matters**

1) Bank Balances Noted:

Business Reserve Account:	£28,108.15
Current Account:	£250.00

2) To approve payments:

a) Mandale Memorials	£180.00
b) Cllr D Windle (reimbursement for flood trailer keys)	£28.00
c) Jayne Taft (servicing of conveniences)	£280.00
d) Chemodex Ltd	£86.10
e) Cllr R Spinks (reimbursement for Christmas tree lights)	£9.00

3) **To acknowledge receipt of payments:** None

**11.15 Correspondence/Matters Requiring Action:** None

**12.15 Date of Next Meeting:** The February parish council meeting will be held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.30 pm in Ashford School.

**PRECEPT 2015/16**

Clerk's salary	£3,000.00
Clerk's expenses	£500.00
Subscriptions	£200.00
Insurance	£700.00
Meetings	£120.00
Audit	£450.00
Grass cutting	£3,850.00
Maintenance	£2,000.00
Public Conveniences (cleaning & supplies)	£3,000.00
Chairman's Allowance	£500.00
Donations (see below)	<u>£800.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£15,120.00</b>

**Contribution from  
Parish council reserves**                      **£5,000.00**

**PRECEPT 2015/16**    **£10,120.00**

**THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS WERE AGREED UPON FOR 2015/16**

1) Ashford Cricket Club	£100.00
2) Ashford Old School	£100.00
3) Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport	£100.00
4) War Memorial Institute	£100.00
5) Post Office (War Memorial Institute)	£200.00
6) Ashford Well Dressings	£100.00
7) Helen's Trust	<u>£100.00</u>
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b><u>£800.00</u></b>