

ASHFORD-IN-THE-WATER PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16th JANUARY 2014 IN ASHFORD SCHOOL

- Present:** Cllr D Windle (Chairman), Cllr R Akeroyd, Cllr W Dinley, Cllr R Spinks, Cllr B Taft, Cllr T Williams, Mrs A Fox (Clerk)
- 01.14** **Apologies for Absence:** Cty Cllr J Twigg, District Cllr C Walker, District Cllr P Tilbrook
- 02.14** **Declaration of Members' Interests:** None.
- 03.14** **To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:** None
- 04.14** **Public Participation:** None
- 05.14** **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held 12th December 2013:** The minutes were proposed by Cllr Williams as a true record, seconded by the Cllr Spinks and signed by the Chairman.
- 06.14** **Confidentiality:** None
- 07.14** **Items reported by the Clerk:**
- 07.14 1)** **Resignation of Cllr Tolchard:** It was with regret that the parish council had accepted the resignation of Cllr Tolchard, due to his relocation. The Clerk was requested to thank Cllr Tolchard for his contribution to the work of the parish council during his term of office.
- 114.13** **Automatic External Defibrillator:** It was agreed that an article would be placed in the parish magazine informing parishioners of the parish council's intention to purchase a defibrillator in the new financial year, and welcoming donations. The Clerk also agreed to email all councillors with login details for the parish council website so that they can edit the website as appropriate.
- 27.13 1)** **Public Conveniences:** Peter Foley of DDDC had confirmed that he will take the proposal to the January Committee Meeting, with a view to the parish council taking over the opening, closing and cleaning as from April 2014. He had also agreed to arrange automatic door closure. Cllr Dinley confirmed he had organized the honesty box and sign.
- 69.13 8)** **Quotation for Refurbishment of Village Pumps:** To be postponed.

57.13 1) Flood Committee Meetings: Cllr Dinley reported that the next meeting of the Flood Committee is scheduled for 28th January. He remains in contact with the Environment Agency, who have pledged a donation of £1,000 towards the trailer and flood prevention equipment, and has also compiled a list identifying the items required.

57.13 6) Plaque for Old Ashford Marble Works: Cllr Dinley reported that it had been mutually agreed with the WI that an information board would also be erected, as well as the plaque.

129.13 9) Letter from War Memorials Trust: It was agreed that the lettering on the First World War memorial should be refurbished. The Clerk was requested to investigate the cost of this with the War Memorials Trust.

129.13 11) Swings in Play Area: Cllr Dinley had obtained a quotation from Playdale for £411.20 for repair of the swings. Cllr Dinley advised that there were still some remaining funds in the playground account, which would be utilised to fund this repair, and the parish council agreed to finance the shortfall, if necessary.

7.13 8) Parish Precept: Annual expenditure for 2014/15 was calculated at £15,170.00 (see attached schedule). The parish council agreed that £2,000.00 of this amount would be met by parish council reserves so that a total of £13,170.00 would be requested as the precept for 2014/15. The parish council also pledged £3,000.00 to the Flood Committee from parish council reserves.

7.13 9) Estate Walkabouts by Dales Housing: This is scheduled for September.

7.1311) Order Acknowledgement from Playdale: It was confirmed that the repair work on the swings is now complete.

8.14 Items Raised by Members: None

9.14 Planning Matters:

a) **Application: The Barn, Fennel Street: Proposed Conversion of former barn to dwelling:** The parish council objects to this application on the grounds that it does not meet any local need. There are already sufficient holiday cottages in the village of Ashford-in-the-Water.

b) **Application: Park Farm, Longstone Lane: Demolition of agricultural building and erection of new agricultural building:** The parish council has no objection to this application

c) **Application: Long Roods Farm, Ashford Lane:** The parish council has no objection to this application.

d) **Application: Park Farm, Longstone Lane: Change of use from barn to holiday accommodation:** Application withdrawn.

e) **Decision: Miles Croft, Buxton Road:** Granted subject to conditions.

f) **Decision: 1 Greaves Lane:** Granted subject to conditions.

10.14 Financial Matters

- 1) Bank Balances Noted:

Business Reserve Account:	£19,414.98
Current Account:	£250.00

- 2) To approve payments:

a) Cllr R Spinks (reimbursement for Christmas tree lights)	£58.50
b) Lord Edward Manners Haddon Estate	£158.00
c) DDDC – Wheeled Bin (direct debit)	£63.05

- 3) To acknowledge receipt of payments:

a) Burial of the late Mrs Dorothy Lamb	£200.00
b) Closure of Hall Orchard Play Equipment Fund	£242.39

133.13 Correspondence/Matters Requiring Action:

- a) **Town/Parish Council Conference** – 25th February 2014 at the Agricultural Business Centre at 7.00 pm.

134.13 Date of Next Meeting: The next parish council meeting will be held on Thursday 16th January 2014 in Ashford School commencing at 7.15 pm for a 7.30 pm start. The dates were also arranged for the February and March meetings as follows:

Thursday 16th January
Thursday 13th February
Thursday 20th March