

ASHFORD-IN-THE-WATER PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2012 IN ASHFORD SCHOOL

Present: Cllr D Windle (Chairman), Cllr R Akeroyd, Cllr W Dinley, Cllr A Middleton, Cllr R Spinks, Mrs A Fox (Clerk)

12.12 Apologies: Cllr B Taft, Cllr T Williams, Cty Cllr J Twigg, District Cllr C Walker

13.12 Declaration of Members' Interests: None.

14.12 Public Participation: No members of the public present.

15.12 Minutes of Meeting of 10th January 2011: These minutes were proposed by Cllr Dinley as a true record, seconded by Cllr Akeroyd and signed by the Chairman.

16.12 Confidentiality: None

17.12 Items reported by the Clerk

17.12.1.Public Conveniences:

a) **Quotations:** 2 quotations had been received and 2 more are awaited.

b) **Contribution from DDDC:** The Clerk to contact Peter Foley to obtain clarification regarding the final sum to be made available from DDDC.

17.12 2.Completion of Bank Mandates: Forms are still awaited from Cllrs Taft and Williams. These have now become URGENT.

17.12 3.Ashford Play Area:

a) **Bank Account:** Cllr Dinley has opened a separate bank account for playground funds. The parish council has agreed to donate £5,000.

b) **Update – Play Equipment:** Cllr Dinley reported that quotations are awaited, lottery funding is being investigated, an article has been placed in the parish magazine and letters have been forwarded to all households.

17.12 4.Band Concert: This will take place on Sunday 10th June 2012, but Matlock Band are unfortunately unavailable on this date. The Clerk was requested to locate another suitable band.

17.12 5.Snow Warden: The Clerk had contacted the insurance company, who had reported that the snow warden would be covered by the parish council insurance, but with limitations. The Clerk was requested to contact DCC to establish the exact nature of the snow warden's duties.

The Chairman reported that Barry Wood Plant Hire had been asked to re-fill 3 salt bins in the village. An invoice is awaited.

17.12 6. Cemetery Fees: An increase in cemetery fees was agreed, to become effective on 1st April 2012. The revised list of fees is attached.

17.12 7. Jubilee Event: 4th June 2012

a) **Planting of tree:** Cllr Middleton agreed to seek advice from Neil Tomlinson and possibly Dave Goodwin of the Peak Park Authority.

b) **Donation:** The parish council had agreed a donation of £300.00.

18.12 Items Raised by Members:

1. 20 mph Speed Limit in the Village: It was agreed that the speed limit in the village should be reduced to 20 mph. The Clerk was requested to contact the Highways Department accordingly.

2. Community Response Plan: Cllr Dinley advised that this had been submitted and that an article would be appearing in the parish magazine.

3. Flood Seminar – 31st January 2012: This was felt to have been a very successful event which was well attended by parishioners. The Clerk was requested to express thanks to the organisers and to James Biddlestone for carrying out the drain inspection prior to the seminar. Cllr Dinley reported that the parish council had been invited to the Environment Agency's Control Centre in Nottingham and he agreed to email suggested dates to the parish councillors.

19.12 Planning Matters:

1) Application: The Old Orchard, Vicarage Lane: Single Storey Extension and proposed Solar Panels: The parish council has no objection in principle with the extension, which replaces an existing one. There are minor concerns about the use of solar panels in this location.

2) Application: Longstone Lane: Creation of Artisan Employment Facility: The parish council has no objection to this application. The development should result in improved appearance to the site. The parish council would welcome the potential increase in employment opportunities.

20.12 Financial Matters

1) Bank Balances Noted:

Business Reserve Account:	£18,670.72
Current Account:	£250.00

2) To approve payments:

a) Ashford Jubilee Committee	£300.00
b) Ashford Old School Community Rooms (room hire)	£50.00

3) To acknowledge receipt of payments: None

21.12 Correspondence Requiring Action:

1) Parish Member Appointments to the National Park Authority: No nominations made.

2) Letter from DCC re Roll of Honour on War Memorials: Cllr Middleton agreed to photograph the names on the war memorials in the village.

22.12 Date of Next Meeting: The next parish council meeting will be held on Thursday 22nd March 2012 at 7.30 pm in Ashford School.