

## ASHFORD-IN-THE-WATER PARISH COUNCIL

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### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2013 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)
- 12.13 Apologies for Absence:**  
District Cllr C Walker and Cty Cllr J Twigg
- 13.13 Declaration of Members' Interests:** None.
- 14.13 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:** None
- 15.13 Public Participation:** None
- 16.13 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> January 2013:** The minutes were proposed by Cllr Williams as a true record, seconded by Cllr Taft and signed by the Chairman.
- 17.13 Confidentiality:** None
- 18.13 Items reported by the Clerk**
- 63.12.10. Code of Conduct: completion of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest forms by parish councillors:** All forms now completed.
- 6.12.14) Parish Council Vacancy:** This will be included on the agenda of the March meeting.
- 17.12.1. Public Conveniences:** It was agreed that Peter Foley of DDDC would be invited to the next meeting in order to discuss future plans for the public conveniences, particularly as they are now falling into an unacceptable state of repair.
- 107.12.15 Band Concert 2013:** Matlock Band have been booked to play on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. The cost of this will be £250.00
- 108.12.4) Village Inspection:** This will be arranged in the spring.
- 108.12.5) Tree on River Bank at bottom of Watts Green:** Confirmation is awaited from Mr Tomlinson of the date when he will be carrying out the work.
- 111.12.1) Waste Collection Services:** The Clerk had informed Dorcas Bunton of the problems identified at the last meeting and Mrs Bunton had agreed to investigate. Ongoing difficulties are still being reported in some areas within Ashford.

**07.13 1) Flooding on the A6 at Ashford:** A response had been received from Bridget Gould of DCC stating that a request had been passed through to the Maintenance Team.

**10.13 1) Street Lighting:** The Clerk was asked to respond as follows:

- 1) 001925 on Watts Green should be left on all night.
- 2) 001897 on Court Lane should be left on all night, but switch off 092318 at midnight.
- 3) 001908 on Highfields to be switched off from midnight.

**10.13 2) Penyunk Lane & Greengates Lane:** It was agreed that these are both overgrown, but are passable at present.

**119.12.14 Parish Precept:** A letter had been received from DDDC advising that an additional grant had been made available to offset the loss in Council Tax resulting from the lower tax base, thus allowing parish councils to set a lower precept if they so wished. The revised precept for Ashford in the Water is now £9,537.00, with the District Council grant of £583.00, making a total of £10,120.00 (the original precept agreed on the by the parish council). The parish council agreed to accept the revised precept requirement and to return the form accordingly.

**19.13 Items reported by Members:**

1) **Village Policeman:** The Clerk was requested to find out which local policeman is consigned to Ashford, with a view to inviting him/her to a future meeting.

**20.13 Planning Matters:**

1) **Application – Bridge End Close – Installation of air-source heat pump:** The parish council has no objection to this application, although they do not approve of retrospective planning applications.

2) **Application – The Grange, Greaves Lane – Conversion of part of detached barn:** The parish council has no objection to this application, but would make the following comments:

- 1) Does the applicant intend to complete the new driveway according to the plans from 2011? If not, will the applicant restore it to its former condition?
- 2) The footpath is being affected by subsidence as a result of the work the applicant has done.

**21.13 Financial Matters**

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| 1) | Bank Balances Noted:                               |            |
|    | Business Reserve Account:                          | £17,021.39 |
|    | Current Account:                                   | £250.00    |
| 2) | To approve payments:                               | None       |
| 3) | To acknowledge receipt of payments:                |            |
|    | a) Mandale Memorials re Barry Askew                | £50.00     |
|    | b) Mettams re Revd Foster & Mrs Nellie Birchenough | £400.00    |
|    | c) Mrs McCluskey – allotment rental                | £10.00     |

### **22.13 Correspondence/Matters Requiring Action:**

**a) Letter from Zurich re insurance:** It was agreed that this form would be completed at the next meeting and a quotation requested from Zurich for insurance.

**b) Area Community Forums:** There will be an Area Community Forum on 18<sup>th</sup> February at the Agricultural Business Centre in Bakewell.

**c) Bakewell Community First Responders:** The parish council donation had been returned as, at the present time, Bakewell does not have a responders group in place.

**d) Letters of thanks:** Letters of thanks for parish council donations had been received from the following: Helen's Trust, Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport, Ashford WMI and the Ashford WMI Post Office.

**23.13 Date of Next Meeting:** The next parish council meeting will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2013 at 7.30 pm in Ashford School. Peter Foley of DDDC will be invited to attend the first part of the meeting to discuss the public conveniences.