

ASHFORD-IN-THE-WATER PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 22ND JUNE 2010 IN ASHFORD SCHOOL

Present: Cllr D Windle (Chairman), Cllr S Brocklehurst, Cllr B Taft, Cllr T Williams,
Mrs A Fox (Clerk)

54.10 Apologies: Cllr R Short, Cllr R Spinks, Cllr J Twigg, District Cllr C Walker

55.10 Declaration of Members' Interests: None

56.10 Public Participation: No members of the public present.

57.10 Minutes of Meeting of 18th May 2010: The minutes were proposed by Cllr Williams as a true record, seconded by Cllr Taft and signed by the Chairman.

58.10 Confidentiality: No members of the public present.

59.10 Items reported by the Clerk

1. Public Conveniences - review of costs: It was decided that Peter Foley should be invited to the next meeting at 7.30 pm to carry out a site visit to the conveniences and also to discuss the suggestion of having either an honesty box in the car park or a ticket machine. The car park revenue would thus contribute towards the running costs of the conveniences.

2. Website – Google: Concern had been expressed that the Ashford Parish Council website had not been recognised by Google. The Clerk was requested to consult Chris Gilbert about this.

3. Boundary Fence, Cemetery: The Chairman is proceeding with this.

4. Paving outside the post office: The Clerk is still awaiting a response from DCC, after which Cllr Taft will obtain a quotation.

5. Flower Bed outside village school: Planting is now complete.

6. Lime Trees in Hall Orchard: This work is now completed and the Clerk will seek grant aid from the Peak Park Authority.

7. Pubic Footpath, Highfields: This has been reported to Dales Housing.

8. Land Registry: The Chairman reported that he would be attending a training session on 11th August.

9. Parish Council Vacancy: A letter had been received from the DDDC informing the parish council that they have not received the necessary requests for the parish council vacancy to be filled by election and the parish council may now co-opt to fill the vacancy. It was agreed that a notice would be placed in the August parish magazine informing parishioners of the vacancy and asking interested parties to contact one of the parish councillors.

10. Parish Council Insurance Renewal: The Clerk confirmed that the parish council insurance had been renewed with Aon.

11. Audit of 2009/10 Parish Council Accounts: The Clerk confirmed that the accounts had been submitted to the Audit Commission before the due date.

12. Attendance of Special Constable at parish council meetings: It was decided that the Special Constable would be invited to meetings as and when there are matters on the agenda requiring his attention.

13. Report on DALC Training Course – 24th April 2010: The Chairman and Clerk reported that the main items for discussion, following attendance on the course, are the new agenda, which has been used for this meeting, and Standing Orders which the parish council are required to adopt.

60.10 Items raised by Members: None.

61.10 Planning Matters:

1) Application: Longroods Farm, Ashford Lane: Change of use of part of field to form new drive to farmhouse to replace existing dangerous access: The parish council has no objection to this application.

2) Application: Gritstone House, Greaves Lane: Decking on garage, gravel and decking on seating area, raise stone wall by 1m, estate railing: The parish council object to the plan to increase the height of the wall because it would be too intrusive and have a big impact on the local environment.

62.10 Financial Matters

1)	Bank Balances Noted:	
	Business Reserve Account:	£21,693.03
	Current Account	£250.00
2)	To approve payments:	
	1) Sitegateway Ltd	£100.00
	2) Ravenseye Gallery	£100.00
	3) West and Foster	£293.75
	4) Clerk's Salary for 3 month period	£550.00
	5) Clerk's expenses for 3 month period	£208.33
	6) Calver Sough Nurseries	£42.50
	7) N & G Tomlinson Tree Surgeons	£400.00
	8) Matlock Brass Band	£125.00
	9) Mr D Windle (Chairman's Allowance)	£250.00

63.10 Correspondence Requiring Action:

a) **Letter from DDDC re Casual Vacancy:** See item 59.10 9. above.

b) **Donation request from Vitalise:** It was not considered possible to support this charity as the parish council already support various local charitable organizations.

c) **Walk for Rainbows: 11th July 2010 – Carsington Water:** Poster to be displayed on the parish council notice board.

d) **Derbyshire Dales Sports Awards 2010: Nomination Form:** The Chairman agreed to look into suitable nominations.

64.10 Date of Next Meeting: The next parish council meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th July 2010 at 7.15 pm in Ashford school for a 7.30 pm start.