

ASHFORD-IN-THE-WATER PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 17TH MARCH 2011 IN ASHFORD SCHOOL

Present: Cllr D Windle (Chairman), Cllr R Akeroyd, Cllr S Brocklehurst, Cllr R Short, Cllr R Spinks, Cllr B Taft, Cllr T Williams, District Cllr C Walker, Mrs A Fox (Clerk)

23.11 Apologies: None

24.11 Declaration of Members' Interests: None

25.11 Public Participation: Mr Watkiss of 8 Court Lane attended the meeting to enquire about liability, for example, if a football from the Hall Orchard were to damage his house or car. The parish council will advise Mr Watkiss about this.

26.11 Minutes of Meeting of 17th February 2011: The minutes were proposed by Cllr Williams as a true record, seconded by Cllr Brocklehurst and signed by the Chairman.

27.11 Confidentiality: None

28.11 Items reported by the Clerk

1. Paving outside the Post Office: Cllr Taft reported that, having made informal investigations, the cost would appear to be in the region of £850.00. Further information is awaited.

2. Band Concert 2011: The Clerk confirmed that Matlock Band have been booked for the band concert on Sunday 26th June from 2.00 to 4.00 pm outside the War Memorial Institute, inside if wet. Their fee is £235.00, of which £100 will be paid by DDDC. Cllr Taft agreed to inform the War Memorial Institute Committee of these details.

3. Public Conveniences – Analysis of Questionnaires: The Chairman reported that 42 questionnaires had been returned, 38 of which were in favour of retaining the public conveniences and 4 against. It was agreed that no decisions could be made by the parish council until the following information had been supplied by the District Council:

- 1) Has the District Council reached a final decision on the proposal?
- 2) What are the financial implications for the parish?
- 3) What conditions are to be met by the District Council before any transfer can take place?

It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Peter Foley at DDDC for the above information.

4. Right of Way – Hill Cross to Hall Orchard: The Clerk had received detailed information from Phil Berry of DCC, stating that re-instatement of this right of way is ongoing and asking the parish council to ensure that the hedge is cut regularly. He had, however, been unable to give a timescale for this.

5. Parish Nomination Packs for Parish Council Elections: 5th May 2011: Packs were handed to the parish councillors, noting that the last day for receipt of nominations and consents to nomination is **4th April 2011**.

6. Audit of 2010/11 Accounts: It was agreed that Mr John Foster of West and Foster would be approached once again with regard to the audit of the 2010/11 parish council accounts.

7. Date for Annual Parish Meeting: This was arranged for Tuesday 12th April at 7.30 pm in Ashford Old School, immediately prior to the parish council meeting.

8. Saturday Morning Waste Collection 2011/12: The dates will be available on the parish council notice board and website.

29.11 Items raised by Members:

1) Royal Wedding Event in Ashford: Cllr Brocklehurst reported that it is planned to hold an event in the Hall Orchard on the Royal Wedding date, 29th April, and the Hall Orchard was booked accordingly. Cllr Short proposed a donation of £200 towards this village event, which was agreed in principle by the remaining parish councillors.

2) Wheeled Bin, Cemetery: It was reported that the wheeled bin has not been emptied since January. The Clerk to report this to DDDC.

3) Outdoor Pet Service in Hall Orchard: Canon Kaunhoven had written to request permission to hold an outdoor pet service in Hall Orchard on 17th July. The parish council agreed to this, subject to the clearing up of any accidents as this is a play area. The Clerk was requested to reply accordingly.

4) Hole in Road: It was reported that there is a large hole at the side of the storm drain at the corner of Fennel Street and Court Lane. The Clerk will report this to DCC.

30.11 Planning Matters:

1) Appeal by Mr Wildgoose: Land at Valley Cottage: Allowed.

2) Application: 6 Hall End Lane - House Extension: The parish council has no objection to this application.

3) Application: The Retreat, Betty Lane – Change of use of part of barn and outbuildings to create ancillary residential accommodation and extension to dwelling: The parish council has no objection to this application.

4) Application: Wye Cottage, Church Street – Single Storey Rear Extension: Application withdrawn.

5) Decision: Monsal Trail Junction – Creation of Ramp: Granted subject to conditions.

6) Planning Surgery – Chatsworth Room, Cliff College, Calver: To be held on 29th March between 4.00 and 8.00 pm. An appointment can be booked by telephoning 01629 816200 or emailing: customer.service@peakdistrict.gov.uk before Friday 25th March.

31.11 Financial Matters

- 1) Bank Balances Noted:

Business Reserve Account:	£14,157.31
Current Account:	£250.00

- 2) To approve payments:

1) Clerk's salary for 3 month period	£550.00
2) Clerk's expenses for 3 month period	£118.96
3) DDDC – Burial Ground rates (direct debit)	£1.51

- 3) To acknowledge receipt of payments:

1) Mettams: Burial of cremated remains	£500.00
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32.11 Correspondence Requiring Action:

- a) **Letter from DDDC re Parish Poll Cards:** Poll cards will not now be required.

- b) **Letter from Ashford War Memorial Institute re AMG on 29th March:** Cllr Taft agreed to remain as the parish council's nominated representative on the Institute Management Committee.

- c) **Requests for donations from Derbyshire Children's Holiday Centre and Disability Derbyshire:** The parish council agreed that they feel it more appropriate to support local charities.

- d) **Letter from DDDC re refuse collections during forthcoming bank holidays:** This will be placed on the parish council notice board.

- e) **Circular from DALC re PAYE Implementation:** It was agreed that the Clerk would request advice from Mr John Foster regarding this.

- f) **Letter from Mr Aizlewood re resignation from post as Footpath Warden:** The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Aizlewood thanking him for his time spent as Footpath Warden and to arrange an article in the parish magazine advertising the post.

33.11 Date of Next Meeting: The next parish council meeting will be held immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting, which is to be held on Tuesday 12th April 2011 in Ashford School at 7.30 p.m.