



# Bulletin

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The Parish Newsletter for everyone in Ash, Hodsoll St, New Ash Green and Ridley.

## FAMILY FUN DAYS



**FUNDED BY ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Provided by Play Place and Sevenoaks District Council**

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**To be held on The Minnis, New Ash Green from 10.30am—1.30pm**

**TUESDAY 07 AUGUST 2018—Crafts, Face Painting, Games, Inflatable and **MAGIC PERSON!****

**TUESDAY 21 AUGUST 2018—Crafts, Face Painting, Games, Inflatable and **AFRICAN DRUMMING!****

### HARTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

TUESDAY 31 JULY 2018— WOODLAND RECREATION GROUND—10AM—1PM

TUESDAY 14 AUGUST 2018—WOODLAND RECREATION GROUND—10AM—2PM

TUESDAY 21 AUGUST - CHANTRY AVENUE RECREATION GROUND—2PM—5PM

**Children under 8 years of age must be supervised by a parent or carer at all times**

## RURAL TRANSPORT



### INVITATION TO JOIN THE BIG CONVERSATION

Kent County Council's Big Conversation aims to find out if there is an innovative and sustainable way of providing transport to rural communities in Kent and we want to explore our ideas with you. We want to hear about:

- The use of public transport and the journeys taken**
- The priorities for a sustainable rural transport service**

The online questionnaire and further information about the consultation can be found at [www.kent.gov.uk/bigconversation](http://www.kent.gov.uk/bigconversation).

**Take part before the consultation closes on 8 August 2018.**

## LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION

### DRAFT LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION 2018

Find out about the Draft Local Plan with proposals for new homes, employment, retail and other infrastructure improvements up to 2035 in your area.

Local proposals include:

- The Manor House (Bovis) - to be confirmed Residential/employment.
- The Forge, Ash Road—14 Units
- Shopping Centre
- Merry Lees, Billet Hill—2 pitches
- Fordwood Farm, New Street Road—2 pitches

Neighbouring Parish—Fawkham/Hartley

- Corinthians 570 units—retirement village, satellite health centre, improved sports provision including 4G pitch, golf course, indoor facilities, replacement primary school & special educational needs school, employment floor-space, incubator & start up, accessibility and vehicle/cycle links, allotments & open space, self build plots.
- Banckside 230 units—country park including pedestrian/cycle links to Longfield station, children's play area, outdoor gym, woodland trails and café. Relief road to improve Castle Hill.
- Land South of Orchard House, Ash Road—10 units

Sevenoaks District Council Planning Policy members will be available for questions and clarification at a drop in session at All Saints Church Hall, Ash Road, Hartley on Tuesday 31 July 2018 from 2pm—8pm.

Hartley Parish Council is holding a Public Meeting at 7.30pm on Tuesday 7 August 2018 at the All Saints Church Centre, Hartley, DA3 8EL.

All responses to this consultation must be submitted by **5pm on Monday 10 September 2018**. Find out more and have your say at [www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/draftlocalplan](http://www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/draftlocalplan)

## PARISH COUNCILLORS

### **NEW ASH GREEN SOUTH EAST WARD**

Councillors: Mike Brown, Roxana Brammer, Jill Clucas, Pam Connell, John Kelly and Paul Nightingale.

### **NEW ASH GREEN NORTH WEST WARD**

Councillors: Carol Clark, Sarah Hobbs, Steven Glover, Mark Manley, Ian Mann and Vusi Ngwenya.

### **ASH WARD**

Councillors: John Crane and Jeremy Scott

### **HODSOLL STREET & RIDLEY WARD**

Councillors: Frank Cottee and Margaret Howie

You can contact your Councillors through the Clerk, Parish Office, Ash Green Sports Centre, Ash Road, New Ash Green, DA3 8JZ, telephone 01474 702760 or email: [info@acrpc.org.uk](mailto:info@acrpc.org.uk).

## SIMPLY SINGING

**TUESDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER 2018  
10AM TO 12 NOON**

For those who enjoy singing for pleasure  
Held at

New Ash Green Village Hall, Centre Road, DA3 8HH  
For more information contact Jackie West  
Community Warden) Telephone: 07811271259  
email: jackie.west@kent.gov.uk

## COMMUNITY HUB

**FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH  
10AM TO 12 NOON**

Community 'Pop in' A chance to meet up over a cup of tea  
and a piece of cake.

Held at  
New Ash Green Village Hall, Centre Road, DA3 8HH  
For more information contact Jackie West,  
Community Warden Telephone: 07811271259  
email: jackie.west@kent.gov.uk

## ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR



### SENSELESS ACTS OF VANDALISM TO BUSES AND CARS

Vandals have been throwing stones at Arriva and Go Coach buses and other vehicles between the roundabout and the Shopping Centre. Windows have been smashed and passengers were showered in glass. This is not the first time stones have been thrown at buses by a group of youths.

We have held meetings with Police, the Community Safety Unit and bus companies.

**As a result, Arriva and Go Coach are seriously considering terminating their evening service at Hartley.**

If you have young people in your family, please point out the serious consequences to such senseless vandalism especially the impact on residents who rely on public transport.

Please report all incidents and any information.

For non - urgent police matter call 101 or report online <https://www.kent.police.uk/services/report-online/kent-police-online-reporting>, or the Community Safety Unit (CSU) on 01732 227000, email [community.safety@sevenoaks.gov.uk](mailto:community.safety@sevenoaks.gov.uk).

**If a crime is in progress call 999**

The Community Safety Unit (CSU) consists of Council Staff, Police, Community Wardens, Housing Associations and other partner agencies.

Partners meet on a daily basis to discuss Community Safety Concerns and Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) calls that have come in from residents and partner agencies including the Police.

The CSU is a great way for partners to address current concerns and have a speedy and effective response to residents of which all are updated.

The CSU also focuses on safety campaigns and we have great initiatives for residents in rural and urban areas to keep them safe and their belongings safe. The CSU has timer switches, shed alarms, personal alarms and card protectors to name but a few which are free to residents. The CSU deals with all aspects of ASB and community safety. If you have a problem that you would like the CSU to get involved with then please contact them.

## NORTHFIELD

An off-road horse-ride available for any local rider to join.

£20 Key deposit and £5 annual fee.

Application packs available from Ash Green Sports Centre Telephone: 01474 707164

## WEEKLY WALKS

The Parish Council supports the Healthy Lifestyles Weekly Walk— Just turn up on Wednesdays at the New Ash Green Library at 10.30am, or on Thursdays at Hartley Library at 10am. They are not too energetic and last about an hour.

## WI KNITATHON

Ash and Ridley WI are once again holding a Knitathon at the Village Hall, New Ash Green on **Saturday November 3rd** from **10am-3pm**. This year we will be knitting /crocheting poppies for remembrance and bonding squares for mothers and babies in hospital.

Entry free, parking free and refreshments for sale. Wool will be provided also hooks and needles.

If you would like to begin your squares or poppies and would like the patterns or more information please contact Rhian our President on 01474 831216. We look forward to seeing you.

## RIGHTS OF WAY

### **Improvement Plan 2018 - 2028**

#### **PUBLIC CONSULTATION—HAVE YOUR SAY!**

Our draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan details how we will develop the public rights of way network in Kent over the next 10 years.

We want to hear your views to ensure that our draft plan will meet the needs and expectations of Kent residents.

**20 June – 12 September 2018.**

Visit [www.kent.gov.uk/rightsofwayimprovementplan](http://www.kent.gov.uk/rightsofwayimprovementplan) for more details and to complete the online questionnaire.

# PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on 10 May 2018 with informative talks from Mr G Johnson MP, Cllr D Brazier, Chairman of Kent County Council and Mr D Munn, Public Rights of Way. The minutes of the meeting are available on the Parish Council website [www.hugofox.com/community/ash-cum-ridley-parish-council-12628](http://www.hugofox.com/community/ash-cum-ridley-parish-council-12628)

## KENT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS



Cllr Mike Brown presented the Community Award to Mr Shaun Fishenden stating that this award is given in recognition of an exceptional contribution to the community and Mr Fishenden had given phenomenal time and effort into organising events for the New Ash Green 50th Anniversary Celebrations, which the community appreciated and enjoyed.

## VILLAGE DAY COMPETITION

Congratulations to the winners of the Knew Ash Green, Know Ash Green competition:

1st— Beth Ash

2nd— Jerry Ash

3rd— Lucy Cornelius.

Look on our facebook page to see a video of the answers

## REFUSE SACK DELIVERIES

A roll of black refuse sacks and a roll of clear recycling sacks are delivered to every household every 20 weeks. Should you require additional sacks, these can be purchased from Ash Green Sports Centre on the Milestone School site.

Garden Waste Sacks £14.50 for 25

Recycle Sacks £0.50 per roll

Dog waste bags and holder—free while stocks last.

Open Monday to Friday 9am—9pm

Saturdays 9.30am—5pm and

Sundays 9.30am—2pm

Call 01474 707164

## THURSDAY LUNCH CLUB

**OVER 60?** Come and dine with us.

At 12 noon

Every Thursday at the Youth & Community Centre

Our diners enjoy a freshly cooked quality two course meal prepared by our professional cook.

The £5.50 charge includes tea or coffee.

For more information please contact the Parish Clerk on 01474 702760



## ASH GREEN SPORTS CENTRE AND GYM

### To gym or not to gym that is the question?



Many of you reading this may have thought about joining a gym at some time or another. Maybe to lose a bit of weight, tone up or just to become fitter maybe for a particular sport you love, or because you are going on a special holiday.

So maybe you joined a gym, and lasted a few weeks, or maybe even a month or two. You lost a little weight and even felt a little better, but you begin to realise that there is no quick fix when it comes to transforming your body and your health.

At Ash Green Sports Centre our focus is on your overall lifestyle. Think of a four legged table, remove one of the legs and the table is no longer stable, you wouldn't want to put your favourite table wear on it, would you?

To have a table (body) that is healthy, functional and that will last a long time you need four good legs. And these legs are;

- A healthy balanced diet
- Using the body in such a way as to keep it strong, flexible and injury free.
- Good Sleep
- And finally but not least, Stress.

Don't think just coming to the gym will solve all your problems, but it is a fantastic way to address some of them, and you will be amazed that as you address one, the others begin to fall into place as well.

At Ash Green Sports Centre our focus is on helping you to address these four legs in a friendly, helpful and fun atmosphere, where you will feel safe and cared for.

Call to book your free induction or for more information. 01474 707164



## CONTACT THE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Clerk: 01474 702760

Email: [info@acrpc.org.uk](mailto:info@acrpc.org.uk)

Website: [www.hugofox.com/community/ash-cum-ridley-parish-council-12628](http://www.hugofox.com/community/ash-cum-ridley-parish-council-12628)

## LISTED BUILDINGS IN THE PARISH



### Granary at Ridley Court Farm

The Granary to the east of the farmhouse is Grade II listed and was first listed in 1982. It is of 18th century date, weatherboarded and supported on 12 staddle stones. The roof was originally thatched but is now covered in asbestos sheeting.

During the 18th and 19th centuries the Granary would have been used for storing grain. The staddle stones raise the floor of the Granary off the ground, to keep the grain dry. The stones have a mushroom shaped top to prevent rats from climbing up and entering the grain store.

### ASH VILLAGE HALL

### SUMMER RACKET OFFER

### COMMUNITY

**ASH~ VILLAGE HALL**  
**WEDNESDAY 26th SEPTEMBER**  
 DOORS OPEN 7.15 ~ STARTS 7.45 ~ ENDS 9.55

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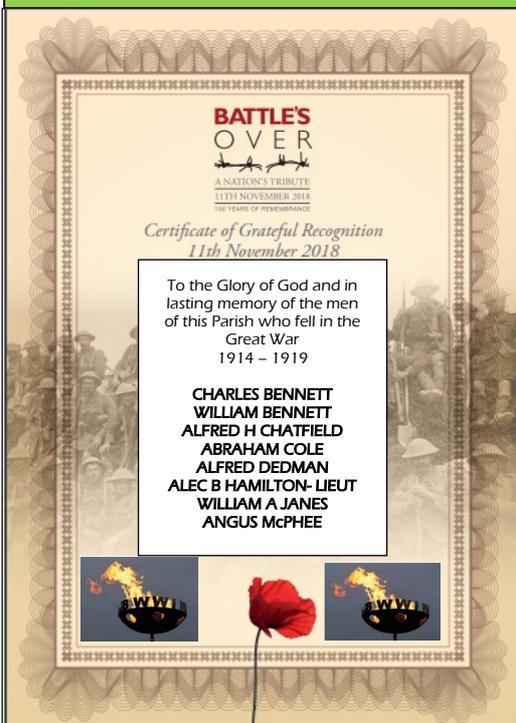
**11-16 YEAR OLDS**  
**LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO?**  
**Come and Play**  
**Badminton, Squash, Table Tennis or Tennis**  
 Join and pay only £20 (cash or cheque) from  
 23 July to 31 August 2018  
 Free use of all courts Monday to Friday  
 (subject to availability) from 9am-5pm  
**Courts must be booked in advance.**  
 Challenge your friends to a game!  
 Additional Guests (11-16 year old) £1.00 per visit  
 ALL EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED  
**FREE OF CHARGE.**  
 JUST RING ASH GREEN SPORTS CENTRE  
 01474 707164

Outreach at New Ash Green Every Thursday morning at  
 The Youth & Community Centre  
 North Square, DA3 8JY  
 Advice line 03003 309001

Neighbours/Community problems  
 Parent/Teenager Mediation  
 Work place Mediation & Homeless Mediation  
**Tel: 01732 469696 Email: [theoffice@wkm.org.uk](mailto:theoffice@wkm.org.uk)**

### BATTLE'S OVER

### USEFUL NUMBERS



#### BATTLE'S OVER

Ash Church and the Parish Council will be holding a service of Remembrance at Ash War Memorial on 11 November 2018 to commemorate the end of the First World War which will include a beacon lighting event at Ash Church. Further details will be in the next edition of the Bulletin.

Kent Count Council	03000 418181
Sevenoaks District Council	01732 227000
Kent Police - emergency calls	999
Kent Police—non emergency calls	101
Anti Social Behaviour Officer	01732 227000
Community Warden	07811 271259
Doctors Surgery	01474 873828
Village Pharmacy	01474 873811
Citizens Advice	03003 309001
Arriva Northfleet	01474 535138
West Kent Mediation	01732 469696
Ash Village Hall	01474 874693
Hodsoll Street Village Hall	01732 823707
NAG Youth Centre	01474 872441
NAG Library	01474 872506
NAG Village Association	01474 872691