

**ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

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Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend the next meeting of the Ash-cum-Ridley parish Council which will be held at **7.45pm on Thursday 16 November 2023 at Hodsoll Street Village Hall, Hodsoll Street, TN15 7LE**

Yours faithfully

*A de Jager*

Alison de Jager

Parish Clerk

**AGENDA****1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE****2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS****3. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES** of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 19 October 2023 (Attached).**SUSPENSION OF MEETING**

- **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' AND VILLAGE ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE.**
- **PUBLIC SESSION**

**4. CLERK'S REPORT****(APPENDIX A GREEN)**

To note the report of items for information from the Clerk.

**5. COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION****(APPENDIX B ORANGE)**

5.1 To give consideration to reinstating the Burial Ground Committee.

**6. FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE****(APPENDIX C PINK)**6.1 **Current Financial Position:** To receive a verbal update from the Clerk on the Council's current financial position and note the reports received.6.2 **Approval of Payments:** To approve the payments made since the last meeting, up to 10 November 2023.

6.3 To give consideration to the appeal for funding from NAG Social as per the attached email.

6.4 To give consideration to the quotations received to carry out the tree work at Ash War Memorial and Ash Burial Ground as per the Quantified Tree Risk Assessment.

**7. PLANNING****(APPENDIX D GOLD)****7.1 Applications:**

None received at time of Agenda.

7.2 **Planning Applications Working Group:** To note the notes of the meeting held on 01 November 2023

- 7.3 **Planning Appeal:** APP/G2245/W/23/3331236: Oast House Nursery, Ash Road, TN15 7HJ – An appeal has been lodged with the Secretary of State to be determined on the basis of written representations. The Parish Council's representation will be forwarded to the Inspectorate and the appellant. Copy attached.

## 8. ASH GREEN SPORTS CENTRE

(APPENDIX E BLUE)

- 8.1 **Current Financial Position:** To receive a verbal update from the Clerk on the Sports Centre's current financial position and note the reports received.
- 8.2 **Approval of Payments** – To approve the payments made since the last meeting to 10 November 2023.
- 8.3 **Sports Centre Management Committee – Update:** To receive a verbal update from the Committee Chairman on actions taken by the Management Committee.

## 9. NORTHFIELD MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- 9.1 To note the next meeting of the Northfield Management Committee will be held on 16 January 2023.

## 10. COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT

(APPENDIX F PURPLE)

- 10.1 **KALC Community Award** – To give consideration to adopting the KALC Community Award scheme for the year 2024 as per the attached information.
- 10.2 **KALC Nomination** – Should the above scheme be adopted, to receive any nominations.
- 10.3 **UK Shared Prosperity Funding** – see attached report.
- 10.4 **Hedgehog Highways Project** – see attached

## 11. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:

- 11.1 To receive verbal reports from all Councillors, for information only.

## 12. PROGRESS TRACKER

(APPENDIX G LIGHT BLUE)

- 12.1 To note the progress tracker of Council decisions

### CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that due to the confidential nature of the next item, the public and press will be asked to leave the meeting

## 13. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (reports sent under separate cover on pink paper (confidential))

- 13.1 **Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS):** To give consideration to the recommendation from the Personnel Committee.
- 13.2 **Assistant Clerk:** To carry out a review of the temporary three month contract due to end on 22 December 2023.
- 13.3 **National Salary Award 2023/24** – To note the attached announcement from NALC regarding the 2023/24 pay agreement.