

ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Ash-cum-Ridley parish Council which will be held at **7.45pm on Thursday 16 April 2026 at Milestone Academy TRAC Centre, Ash Road, New Ash Green, DA3 8JZ**

Yours faithfully

A de Jager

Alison de Jager
Parish Clerk

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

3. MICHAEL BROWN

3.1 Following the Parish Council's previous acknowledgement of the passing of former Chairman, Mike Brown, to give consideration to any further arrangements or commemoration.

4. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on 19 March 2026. (Attached).

5. PUBLIC SESSION AND EXTERNAL REPORTS

- KENT POLICE
- COUNTY COUNCILLOR
- DISTRICT COUNCIL
- NEW ASH GREEN VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

6. CLERK'S REPORT

(APPENDIX A GREEN)

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

7. FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

(APPENDIX B PINK)

7.1 **Current Financial Position:** To receive a verbal update from the Deputy Clerk on the Council's current financial position and note the reports received.

7.2 **Approval of Payments:** To approve the payments made from 12 March 2026.

7.3 **New Ash Green Clinic and Children's Centre** – report attached.

7.4 **Kent Association of Local Councils (KALC)** – to give consideration to the renewal of the KALC subscription for the year 2026/27 in the amount of £2,000 plus VAT.

7.5 Policies

1. **Pensions Discretionary Policy** – to carry out a review of the attached policy.
2. **CIL Policy and Application Form Guidance** – to carry out a review of the attached policy.
3. **Work Experience Policy** – to give consideration to adopting the attached draft policy.

8. PLANNING**(APPENDIX C GOLD)****8.1 Applications:**

26/00227/MMA: Goose Farm, Hodsoll Street, TN15 7LB – Amendment to 23/03196/FUL with alterations to fenestration; internal layout changes to the basement area, walled patio area to basement level; layout changes to solar panels and changes to rooflights. Cllr F Cottee noted that these amendments affect the rear landscaping which has been previously approved and therefore do not warrant discussion. To note the amendments.

8.2 Planning Applications Working Group - To note the notes of the Planning Applications Working Group meeting of 07 April 2026.

9. ASH GREEN SPORTS CENTRE**(APPENDIX D BLUE)**

9.1 Current Financial Position: To receive a verbal update from the Deputy Clerk/Finance Officer on the Sports Centre's current financial position.

9.2 Approval of payments – To approve the payments made from 12 March 2026.

10. COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT**(APPENDIX F PURPLE)**

10.1 Speed Indicator Device – Reports received from Hartley Parish Council attached.

10.2 Asset of Community Value – to give consideration to the nomination of Ash Green Sports Centre as an Asset of Community Value under the Localism Act 2011.

10.3 Afternoon Tea – Verbal update.

10.4 Easter Youth Activities – Verbal update

10.5 Dog Waste Bin – To give consideration to a request from the Ash Cricket Club to have a dog waste bin installed where the public footpath leaves the church.(location attached)

10.6 Lances Almshouse Charity – to give consideration to nominating Edna Nicolson to represent the Parish Council on the committee of the charity

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.