

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 20 March 2025 at Hodsoll Street & Ridley 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 AND DISPENSATIONS****3. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES** of the Parish Council meetings held on 12 February 2025 (to follow), 20 February 2025, (attached) and 11 March 2025, (to follow).**SUSPENSION OF MEETING**

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

4. COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT

- 4.1 **Ukraine – Co-operation Agreement** – to receive a verbal report from Jordan Meade, Deputy Cabinet Member for Communities, Kent County Council.

5. CLERK'S REPORT – tabled at meeting**6. COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION****(APPENDIX A ORANGE)**

- 6.1 **Community Warden Contract** to review and comment on the attached draft contract from Kent County Council.

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 14 March 2025.

- 7.3 **CPRE** – To authorise the renewal of the annual membership to CPRE – The Countryside Charity in the amount of £36.00

7.4 Policies.

1. **Equality & Diversity Policy** – to give consideration to adopting the replacement policy attached.
2. **Health & Safety Policy** – to carry out a review of the attached policy.

- 7.5 **Grant/Donation Applications** - to give consideration to the appeal for funding from the Following groups – application forms attached:

1. New Ash Green Junior Football Club
2. West Kent Mediation
3. HiKent

8. PLANNING

(APPENDIX C GOLD)

8.1 Applications:

25/00590: 2 The Link, Ash Road, New Ash Green, DA3 8HG - Additional doors and windows to existing property

8.2 To note the notes of the Planning Applications Working Group meeting of 5 March 2025.

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 14 March 2025.

9.3 **Sports Centre Management Committee** – To receive the minutes of the meeting of the Sports Centre Management Committee held on 04 March 2025. (to follow).

9.4 **Sports Centre Budget 2025/26** – To ratify the Sports Centre Budget for 2025/26 as set by the Sports Centre Management Committee.

10. NORTHFIELD

(APPENDIX E LIGHT GREEN)

10.1 To note the minutes of the meeting of the Northfield Management Committee held on 10 March 2025.

11. COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT

11.1 **New Ash Green Children's Centre** – update at meeting.

11.2 **Kent Fire and Rescue Services** – to receive a verbal update following the meeting with Steven Lewis of Kent Fire & Rescue Services held at Hodsoll Street Village Hall on Tuesday 4 March 2025.

12. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:

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

13. PROGRESS TRACKER

(APPENDIX H LIGHT BLUE)

12.1 To note the progress tracker of Council decisions.