



**Ashmansworth Parish Council
Minutes of Meeting held on 26 September 2024
Ashmansworth Village Hall, 7:30pm**

Chairman: Cllr Alan Cox

Present: Cllr Andrew Bays, Cllr Kieron Black, Cllr Angela Harris

Clerk: Amy White

In attendance: One parishioner

1. Apologies

Cllr Hill sent her apologies which were accepted. Full council congratulate Cllr Hill on her recent marriage.

2. Declarations of interest

None.

3. To agree the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 09 July 2024

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 09 July 2024 were agreed as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

4. Actions/Updates from Annual Meeting and Annual Parish Meeting of 08 May 2024

Action: Clerk will investigate whether a grant is possible for the pond in Ashmansworth from National Landscapes (or other options). Cllr Hill to send some pictures. **Actioned**- no grants available.

Action: Clerk will apply for grant funding for the war memorial from both county and borough councillors and book in the cleaning in time for November. **Actioned:** £750 grant received. Many thanks to Cllr Tom Thacker.

Action: Clerk will write to Cllr Thacker again to encourage action on The Drove.

Actioned: latest update is that it will be completed in 2024/25.

Action: Wayfarers- Clerk will ask Hampshire Rangers if there is any work planned on this footpath: **Actioned**- question has been asked but no further update.

5. Update from County and Borough Councillors (if present)

No one was present. Cllr Carr will send a BDBC report which the Clerk will circulate.

6. To note receipt of Planning Applications received since last meeting:

- 24/01044/FUL Land At Manor Farm Barns- Response sent: No objection
- 24/01246/FUL Land At Manor Farm Barns- Response sent: No objection
- T/00362/24/TCA Hallam Cross Lane- Response sent: No objection
- T/00414/24/TCA 3 Highfield Church Lane- Response sent: No objection

7. Footpaths

FP16 stile [was](#) reported as broken but it is [believed to have](#) been fixed by Faccombe Estate.

[There has also been a report of a broken stile on FP2. This has been reported to Faccombe Estates to establish whether or not it is theirs.](#)

8. Lengthsman

The Lengthsman has sanded and painted (teak oil) the bench in the recreation ground. Extra coats have been applied by a resident (with thanks from the parish council). The next Lengthsman visit is due on 26 October 2024. The churchwarden has asked if the council can assist with hedge cutting in the church- it was agreed that the [church](#)warden will send the Clerk a picture of the hedge to send to the Lengthsman to ask how many hours they will need to cut the hedge, and whether the council might pay for extra hours to get the job completed.

Action: Clerk to liaise with churchwarden and Lengthsman on the hedge cutting at the church.

Action: Cllr Black will ask one of the local contractors to cut the recreation field hedge.

Other possible jobs to include- cutting back sign to Crux Easton on A343 at Three Legged Cross; cutting/clearing the Ashmansworth signage; BW 20 (Cllr Harris to confirm).

Action: Cllr Harris to send Clerk information on the sign for the Clerk to report to HCC.

The Ashmansworth and District Horticultural society has offered to plant 500 daffodils in Ashmansworth, around the five Ashmansworth signs. It was agreed this was a lovely idea.

9. Tree planting in Ashmansworth

After a beech tree had to be felled, HCC will replace a tree; it has to be on Highways ground but it is unclear to the council what exactly is Highways land. Council welcomes a discussion with HCC and will give ideas on suitable locations.

Action: Cllr Cox to send a note to the Ashy google group to ask for more location suggestions.

10. War Memorial

The war memorial has been cleaned by AF Stonemasons. Whilst it was advised that there was no urgent need for re-lettering, the Clerk obtained a quote: £3,950-4,025+VAT to be done over 2.5 to 3 days. It was decided this was far too expensive and will not be pursued.

11. Highways

Road from Pheasant Inn to Ashmansworth: Some of the road surfaces have degraded.

Action: Clerk to report section of degraded road from Pheasant Inn to Ashmansworth to HCC.

The Drove: The latest response from Hampshire Highways on the work required to resurface the road:

Thank you for your recent enquiry regarding the progress of the proposed works at The Drove, Crux Easton.

I would like to assure you that we have continued to work behind the scenes with our main contractor and a variety of specialist supply chain partners to determine the most viable approach to the work in this area. Having determined an appropriate treatment and identified the logistical challenges that are posed by this remote and confined site, we are currently concentrating on engaging the appropriate resources and determining their earliest availability.

This site has posed a variety of challenges that we do not generally encounter on a day-to-day basis, however, we have made good progress and hope to be able to provide you with a more positive update with regards to a proposed start date and an anticipated durations in the near future.

Gateways: There has been no further update on gateways; this project will be halted.

12. Financial Matters:

- **To acknowledge payments and note receipts**

The Clerk presented the payments made and payments for approval:

Income and Payments since 11 July 2024

Invoice

| Date | Paid date | Explanation | Income | Payment |
|-----------|-----------|--|----------|----------|
| 20-Jun-24 | 8-Jul-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203042621753 | | £ 4.50 |
| 20-Jun-24 | 8-Jul-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203042621753 | | £ 0.90 |
| 12-Jul-24 | 12-Jul-24 | HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 6787 | | £ 9.99 |
| 12-Jul-24 | 12-Jul-24 | HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 6787 | | £ 2.00 |
| 30-Apr-24 | 15-Jul-24 | AD Clark grass cutting invoice 809 | | £ 130.60 |
| 31-May-24 | 15-Jul-24 | AD Clark grass cutting invoice 819 | | £ 261.20 |
| 25-Jun-24 | 15-Jul-24 | Materials for stile repair FP21 | | £ 43.60 |
| 25-Jun-24 | 15-Jul-24 | Materials for stile repair FP21 | | £ 8.72 |
| 28-Jun-24 | 15-Jul-24 | AD Clark grass cutting invoice 828 | | £ 391.80 |
| 9-Jul-24 | 15-Jul-24 | HMRC Month 4 | | £ 37.20 |
| 2-Jul-24 | 18-Jul-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203042814608 | | £ 8.00 |
| 2-Jul-24 | 18-Jul-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203042814608 | | £ 1.60 |
| 30-Jun-24 | 22-Jul-24 | Red76 Direct Debit Invoice 9615 | | £ 8.00 |
| 30-Jun-24 | 22-Jul-24 | Red76 Direct Debit Invoice 9615 | | £ 1.60 |
| 23-Jul-24 | 26-Jul-24 | County Councillor Grant received for War Memorial cleaning | £ 750.00 | |
| 27-Jul-24 | 29-Jul-24 | July Salary | | £ 153.52 |
| 20-Jul-24 | 7-Aug-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203043119267 | | £ 4.50 |
| 20-Jul-24 | 7-Aug-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203043119267 | | £ 0.90 |
| 6-Aug-24 | 12-Aug-24 | HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 7487 | | £ 9.99 |
| 6-Aug-24 | 12-Aug-24 | HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 7487 | | £ 2.00 |
| 30-Jul-24 | 19-Aug-24 | Red76 Direct Debit Invoice 9892 | | £ 8.00 |
| 30-Jul-24 | 19-Aug-24 | Red76 Direct Debit Invoice 9892 | | £ 1.60 |

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|--------------|-----------|---|----------|---------------|-------------------|
| 2-Aug-24 | 20-Aug-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203043314238 | | £ | 8.00 |
| 2-Aug-24 | 20-Aug-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203043314238 | | £ | 1.60 |
| 6-Sep-24 | 12-Sep-24 | HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 8198 | | £ | 9.99 |
| 6-Sep-24 | 12-Sep-24 | HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 8198 | | £ | 2.00 |
| 2-Sep-24 | 18-Sep-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203043812438 | | £ | 8.00 |
| 2-Sep-24 | 18-Sep-24 | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203043812438 | | £ | 1.60 |
| 30-Aug-24 | 19-Sep-24 | Red76 Direct Debit Invoice 10185 | | £ | 8.00 |
| 30-Aug-24 | 19-Sep-24 | Red76 Direct Debit Invoice 10185 | | £ | 1.60 |
| Total | | | £ | 750.00 | £ 1,131.01 |

Payments to be made 26 September 2024

| | | | Payment | |
|---------------|--|---|-----------------|--------|
| 10-Aug-24 | | Teak oil for bench in rec ground | £ | 13.00 |
| 10-Aug-24 | | Teak oil for bench in rec ground | £ | 2.60 |
| 20-Aug-24 | | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203043615880 | £ | 4.50 |
| 20-Aug-24 | | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203043615880 | £ | 0.90 |
| 27-Aug-24 | | August salary | £ | 153.72 |
| 27-Aug-24 | | HMRC Month 5 | £ | 37.00 |
| 29-Aug-24 | | Cleaning of war memorial by AF Jones Stonemason | £ | 965.00 |
| 29-Aug-24 | | Cleaning of war memorial by AF Jones Stonemason | £ | 193.00 |
| 11-Sep-24 | | Purchase of 2 x poppy wreaths (clerk purchased) | £ | 40.00 |
| 20-Sep-24 | | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 20304118538 | £ | 4.50 |
| 20-Sep-24 | | Ionos Direct Debit invoice 20304118538 | £ | 0.90 |
| 27-Sep-24 | | September salary | £ | 153.52 |
| 27-Sep-24 | | HMRC Month 6 | £ | 37.20 |
| 30-Sep-24 | | Unity Bank Charge 04/06/24 - 03/09/24 | £ | 18.00 |
| | | | £ | |
| Total: | | | 1,623.84 | |

- **2nd quarter financial update**

The Clerk presented the Q2 update- please see the payments compared to budget at the end of the Minutes.

13. Date of next normal council meeting

The next meeting will be Tuesday 19th November.

Actions from Meeting:

Action: Clerk to liaise with church warden and Lengthsman on the hedge cutting at the church.

Action: Cllr Black will ask one of the local contractors to cut the recreation field hedge.

Action: Cllr Harris to send Clerk information on the sign for the Clerk to report to HCC.

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ASHMANSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Receipts and Payments - 2023-24

| RECEIPTS | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Total |
|---------------------|------------|-----|-----|----------|-----|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| Precept | 2524.5 | | | | | £ 2,524.50 | | | | | | | £ 5,049.00 |
| Grass Cutting Grant | 293.79 | | | | | | | | | | | | £ 293.79 |
| Other Grants | | | | £ 750.00 | | | | | | | | | £ 750.00 |
| VAT Recovered | | | | | | | | | | | | | £ - |
| Bank Interest | | | | | | | | | | | | | £ - |
| | £ 2,818.29 | £ - | £ - | £ 750.00 | £ - | £ 2,524.50 | £ - | £ - | £ - | £ - | £ - | £ - | £ 6,092.79 |

| PAYMENTS | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Total |
|--|---------|----------|----------|------------|---------|------------|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| Clerk's salary | | £ 307.24 | £ 153.52 | £ 153.52 | | £ 307.24 | | | | | | | £ 921.52 |
| PAYE | | £ 74.20 | £ 37.20 | £ 37.20 | | £ 74.20 | | | | | | | £ 222.80 |
| Clerk's expenses | | | | | | | | | | | | | £ - |
| Training Courses | | | | | | | | | | | | | £ - |
| Insurance | | | | £ 304.00 | | | | | | | | | £ 304.00 |
| Audit | | | £ 160.00 | | | | | | | | | | £ 160.00 |
| Grass cutting | | | | £ 783.60 | | £ 653.00 | | | | | | | £ 1,436.60 |
| Cllr Expenses/Travel | | | | | | | | | | | | | £ - |
| Member Subscriptions | | £ 181.00 | | £ 15.00 | | | | | | | | | £ 196.00 |
| Admin/Office/Stationery | £ 22.49 | £ 22.49 | £ 22.49 | £ 22.49 | £ 22.49 | £ 22.49 | £ 4.50 | | | | | | £ 139.44 |
| Payroll | | £ 16.00 | £ 8.00 | £ 8.00 | | £ 16.00 | | | | | | | £ 48.00 |
| Bank Charge | | | | £ 18.00 | | £ 18.00 | £ 5.40 | | | | | | £ 41.40 |
| Grants & Sec 137 | | | | | | | | | | | | | £ - |
| Hall Hire | | | | | | | | | | | | | £ - |
| Poppy Wreaths | | | | | | £ 40.00 | | | | | | | £ 40.00 |
| Buffer | | | | | | | | | | | | | £ - |
| Other (Repairs, Lengthsman, Maintenance) | | | | £ 43.60 | | £ 13.00 | | | | | | | £ 56.60 |
| War Memorial | | | | | | £ 965.00 | | | | | | | £ 965.00 |
| VAT | £ 4.50 | £ 7.70 | £ 6.10 | £ 14.82 | £ 4.50 | £ 203.30 | £ 0.90 | | | | | | £ 241.82 |
| | £ 26.99 | £ 608.63 | £ 387.31 | £ 1,400.23 | £ 26.99 | £ 2,312.23 | £ 10.80 | £ - | £ - | £ - | £ - | £ - | £ 4,773.18 |

| BUDGET | % of Budget |
|---------|-------------|
| 5049.00 | 100% |
| 300.00 | 98% |
| 500.00 | 150% |
| | #DIV/0! |
| 4.00 | 0% |
| 5853.00 | 104% |

| BUDGET | % of Budget |
|-----------|-------------|
| 2373.00 | 39% |
| | #DIV/0! |
| 0.00 | 0% |
| 50.00 | 95% |
| 320.00 | 100% |
| 160.00 | 103% |
| 1400.00 | |
| 50.00 | 0% |
| 170.00 | 115% |
| 230.00 | 61% |
| 108.00 | 44% |
| 72.00 | |
| 500.00 | 0% |
| 110.00 | 0% |
| 40.00 | 100% |
| | #DIV/0! |
| 500.00 | 11% |
| 2000.00 | |
| | #DIV/0! |
| £8,083.00 | 59% |