



**Ashmansworth Parish Council
Minutes of Meeting held on 19 November 2024
Ashmansworth Village Hall, 7:30pm**

Chairman: Cllr Alan Cox

Present: Cllr Andrew Bays, Cllr Kieron Black, Cllr Lisa Bailey

Clerk: Amy White

1. Apologies

Cllr Angela Harris (had not received invitation due to email problem).

2. Declarations of interest

None.

3. To agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on 26 September 2024

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 26 September 2024 were agreed as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

4. Actions/Updates from Meeting of 26 September 2024

- Clerk to liaise with church warden and Lengthsman on the hedge cutting at the church- **Action deleted as not required**
- Cllr Black will ask one of the local contractors to cut the recreation field hedge- **Actioned**
- Cllr Harris to send Clerk information on the sign for the Clerk to report to HCC - **Actioned**
- Clerk to report section of degraded road from Pheasant Inn to Ashmansworth to HCC- **Actioned**. Some of the potholes have been filled.
- Cllr Cox to send a note to the local Ashy google group to ask for more location suggestions for tree planting - **Actioned**- Cllr Cox has spoken to some residents in the village; there is nowhere obvious.

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

No one was present.

6. To decide whether to purchase a defibrillator for Crux Easton via grant funding and PC support

The Clerk has secured funding of £750 for a new defibrillator via the Department of Health and Social Care defibrillator scheme. The total cost is £1500. It was agreed that the PC would fund a further £375 and the Crux Easton residents might fund the rest of £375.

Action: Clerk to confirm with Cllr Harris the funding from the Crux Easton residents and once confirmed, purchase the defibrillator.

7. To note receipt of Planning Applications received since last meeting:
 T/00536/24/TCA Ashmansworth Manor, Bartletts Down Lane- Response sent: No objection.
 T/00573/24/TCA Ashmansworth House, Church Lane- Response to be sent: No objection

8. Memorial Bench/seat location for local resident

A memorial bench has bought by a resident and the PC have been asked for a suitable location to place it. The preference for the location is at the village green. It was agreed to trial positioning the bench in the village green before confirming the location and fixing the bench in place.

Action: Cllr Cox to liaise with residents about a trial position for the bench and how it will be fixed.

9. Footpaths update

It is thought that FP16 has been fixed by Faccombe but Cllr Bays will confirm. FP2 stile replacement will be added to the Lengthsman task for their next visit. There is also a fallen tree on Wayfarers, but a resident will assist with cutting it back and clearing the path.

Action: Cllr Bailey will go and check the Wayfarers signage (BOAT 18) regarding use of the path by motorcycles and whether there is any damage that needs to be reported.

10. Highways

The Council is delighted at the completion of The Drove works. The residents are also thrilled and gave great feedback about the HCC workers. A big thank you to Cllr Thacker for pushing through the project to completion.

11. Financial Matters:

- **To acknowledge payments and note receipts**

The Clerk presented the payments made and payments for approval:

Income and Payments since 26 September 2024

Invoice

Date	Paid date	Explanation	Income	Payment
30-Sep-24	30-Sep-24	2nd tranche	£ 2,524.50	
31-Jul-24	2-Oct-24	AD Clark grass cutting invoice 839		£ 391.80
30-Aug-24	2-Oct-24	AD Clark grass cutting invoice 849		£ 261.20
20-Sep-24	8-Oct-24	Ionos Direct Debit invoice 20304118538		£ 4.50
20-Sep-24	8-Oct-24	Ionos Direct Debit invoice 20304118538		£ 0.90
30-Sep-24	31-Oct-24	Bank charge for September (Unity)		£ 5.40
6-Oct-24	14-Oct-24	HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 8983		£ 9.99
6-Oct-24	14-Oct-24	HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 8983		£ 2.00
1-Oct-24	18-Oct-24	Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203044315525		£ 8.00
1-Oct-24	18-Oct-24	Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203044315525		£ 1.60
30-Sep-24	21-Oct-24	Red76 Direct Debit Invoice 10583		£ 8.00
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	£	
Total	2,524.50	£ 694.99

Payments to be made 19 November 2024

30-Nov-24	Unity Bank Charge 01/10/24 - 31/10/24	£	6.00
27-Oct-24	HMRC Month 7	£	37.20
27-Oct-24	October Salary	£	153.52
20-Oct-24	Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203044625305	£	4.50
20-Oct-24	Ionos Direct Debit invoice 203044625305	£	0.90
30-Oct-24	Red76 Direct Debit Invoice 10883	£	8.00
30-Oct-24	Red76 Direct Debit Invoice 10883	£	1.60
6-Nov-24	HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 9746	£	9.99
6-Nov-24	HugoFox Direct Debit Invoice 9746	£	2.00
27-Nov-24	November Salary (incl back pay)	£	201.24
27-Nov-24	HMRC Month 8	£	49.00
Total:		£	473.95

- Change to Ionos contract to increase data for Clerk and Cllr Cox. All cllr email addresses have new passwords.
- The Clerk confirmed the NALC payscales for 2024/25 had now been approved and that the Clerk salary should now increase from £15.48ph to £16.10. *Full council approved the increase.*
- Budget first draft: The council is on track with spend, current forecast bank balance at EoY= £3600.
Current proposal is for a 3% increase in precept.

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12. Date of next normal council meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday 09 January.

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