

# ASHTON UNDER HILL PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July @ 7pm in the Green Room, Ashton under Hill

Members and Officers present: Cllr Hewitt (Chair), Barker, Wood, Rowley, McIntyre & Cope

In attendance: Clerk

Apologies: Cllr Darby & CC Hardman

1. The Chair welcomed Cllrs, there were no members of the public
2. Declarations of Interest:
  - a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests, none
  - b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature, none
  - c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
  - d) Written requests for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) are to be with the clerk at least four clear days prior to a meeting.Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or an Other Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of paragraph 12(4) (b) of the code of conduct, must leave the room for the relevant items.  
Failure to register or declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest may result in the commission of a criminal offence.

### 4. Public Question Time – no public present

5. The minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting, 14<sup>th</sup> May were approved as a true and accurate copy. Proposed Cllr McIntyre, seconded Cllr Barker
6. District and County Councillor's reports: for information. (Items raised for decision will appear on the agenda for the next meeting.)

*Report from CC Hardman*

*I am still trying to get the footpath works into the programme this year, but it is looking like it will not be done during half term in November. I will keep trying.*

*Other than that it has been quiet at the moment at County, this is due to the political freeze at the centre to a degree. The bad news is that I have seen the month 2 out turn, and in Adults services we are £2M over spent, and the pressure is in the frail and elderly. So this year will be a battle with the budget the whole time.*

#### *Report from Cllr Darby*

*I have been consulted on detailed planning matters in Ashton and where the parish council has commented I have ensured that its views have been respected.*

*The only three major outstanding items are the development on Elmley Road opposite Bredon Hill Academy, Willow Cottage and the Groaten Appeal*

*So far as the Elmley Road development is concerned, after consultation with me the planning officer has now approved the brick to be used. I have not been able to do anything about parking on the road. I hope that this is no longer an issue.*

*Willow Cottage: I am still chasing the enforcement team to carry out the legal action which they say they are going to take. I am very frustrated that it is taking so long and have asked the case officer to send me an email setting out the position. If I receive it before the meeting I will forward it to you.*

*The Pig Barn, The Groaten: The hearing into the appeal against refusal of permission for a rural worker's dwelling took place on 25<sup>th</sup> June. Unfortunately I was abroad at the time and could not attend. I had no point to make other than the refusal reasons put forward by Wychavon and did not therefore make a written submission. We are still awaiting the result.*

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*So far as my other planning work is concerned, I have been reappointed to the Joint Advisory Panel (JAP) which is overseeing the revision of the South Worcestershire Development Plan.*

*Its proceedings are confidential and so I can only tell you what is already in the public domain on the SWDP website. However you can see the sites put forward in the SHELAA by looking on the map [swdp.addresscafe.com/app/exploreit/default.aspx](http://swdp.addresscafe.com/app/exploreit/default.aspx) You have to tick "Show Legend" at the top right hand corner and then tick the SHELAA box. You will see that the only Ashton site is at Little Owl Farm at the top of Bakers Lane. I should stress that this map shows all the sites that have been proposed by developers/landowners and has not been sifted by officers to see if they conform to plan policies.*

## 7. Progress Reports

- a. Social Centre, no report
- b. Bredon Hill Conservation Group – Concerns raised over :- standardisation of agriculture buildings & Expansion of gypsy site close to Eckington
- c. **PACT**  
Have had correspondence from PACT regarding possible RSS feeds for the website. 3 crimes reported in Ashton Underhill between 05-06-19 and 05-07-19
  - On 14/06/2019 at 08:15am at BREDON HILL ACADEMY, ELMLEY ROAD, ASHTON-UNDER-HILL, An unknown male has been seen to expose his buttocks through a window on a public bus. It is not thought that anyone other than the person reporting has witnessed this happen. This has happened near on school premises
  - Between 14/06/2019 18:00pm and 17/06/2019 09:00am at BREDON HILL ACADEMY, ELMLEY ROAD, ASHTON-UNDER-HILL, Between the material times and at the location person(s) unknown have gained access to the school grounds and gained further access to a contractor builders area and removed a fire extinguisher. Offender(s) have then let off the extinguisher around the school, used the rope from a rope pulley and created a zip type wire set up across the tennis courts. Nothing seen or heard and no CCTV of value in area.
  - On 21/06/2019 at 14:00pm at PLAYING FIELDS LANE, ASHTON-UNDER-HILL 4 males, approached unattended/insecure outbuilding containing sports equipment belonging to local football club in a blue IZUZU MAX. Males enter building and remove 3 net bags containing footballs. Males leave area in vehicle with selected footballs.
- d. Lengthsman jobs noted :-
  - Hedge outside The Pound needs cutting back
  - Tidy up of brambles by the War Memorial
  - Lengthsman to cut grass on verge outside No 4/5 Elmley Rd, and clear brambles near pavement in this area.
- e. Vehicle Activated Sign – Chair to get quotes for Solar Power VAS and make a proposal for approval at next meeting.
- f. Flooding, Cllr Cope reported that she has asked all groups who use the chapel to write to highways complaining of the flooding in the area, to increase pressure for this to be addressed.
- g. Highways & Byways  
No 3 Elmley Road hedge needs cutting back - brambles appeared, agreed to ask lengthsman to address  
Clerk to chase CC Hardman on entrance to Long Carrant
- h. Trees in the Parish, no report till September

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- i. Communication Facebook & website AOG haven't made contacted yet regarding having a page, Cllr Rowley to chase
- j. Neighbourhood plan, 4 residents interested in getting involved. Agreed Cllr Barker will coordinate
- k. Broadband gaps, Agreed to put a note in the newsletter, Facebook and possibly flyers asking for a general consensus around the village, residents to provide service provider and problems experienced. Once Cllr McIntyre will report back to Wychavon who will report back to Openreach,
- l. Painting of phone box – three quotes received. £750 and two £470 agreed to place an order with Joe Perry to do the job. Cllr Rowley to instruct
- m. A vote of Thanks was given for Simon Hague who stepped down from the Parish Council in May after over 10 years on the committee

## 8.a Planning application notifications

<a href="#">19/01152/FUL</a>	Long Carrant Park Cheltenham Road Ashton Under Hill WR11 7QP	Provision of a residential park home for a park manager/warden  Cllr Hewitt to add further comment on Planning application following discussion - linked to the recent appeal decision, including specifically limiting the site to 52 dwellings	Pending decision
<a href="#">19/01003/NMA</a>	Paris, Aldamar Bakers Lane Ashton Under Hill WR11 7SZ	Non-Material Amendments to W/14/00960/PP for the following: 1. Change of rear (west) elevation to replace timber panelling with glazing and no infill to the kitchen window to the south elevation. 2. Retention of recess to side (south) elevation. 3. Reduction of decked area. 4. New flue 5, New glazing on east elevation (basement room) 6, Introduction of two skylights to the south single storey roof space.	Refused pending full planning application
<a href="#">19/01045/HP</a>	Paris, Beauchamp House Bakers Lane Ashton Under Hill WR11 7SZ	New pool enclosure to replace existing and new orangery to replace existing conservatory (existing base to be utilised)	Approved

Enforcement issue outstanding re Caravan Sales by Shell Garage, plus Clerk to report additional change of use for renting out flats above the Antiques showroom

## 9. Finance

### 9.a Bank balances as at June 2019

Current account balance as at 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2019	-	19,912.63
Savings account balance as at 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2019	-	3,325.93

### 9.b Cheques for approval

## Payment Schedule

June / July

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Ref	Payee	Description	Net	VAT	Total	Cheque no
1	B Arrowsmith	Lengthsman	£ 180.00		£ 180.00	101068
2	AUHSC	Hall Hire	£ 144.00	£ -	£ 144.00	101069
3	Wychavon Sports Council	Parish Games	£ 63.00		£ 63.00	101070
4	Webbees	Website hosting	£ 107.40		£ 107.40	101071
6	M English	Wages	£ 606.36		£ 606.36	101072
	TOTALS		£ 2,800.76	£ -	£ 2,800.76	

10. Correspondence for Information: To note the attached appendix of items which have been circulated or will be available for inspection at the meeting. (OR a list of items will be available at the meeting.)

- Community Solution Fund – Chair to pass details to local groups eg Footpaths, Guides, Social Centre etc

11. Clerk's report on Urgent Decisions since the last meeting, none

12. Councillor's reports and items for future agenda: Councillors may use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas.

ME to follow up with Severn Trent and A Hardman for remedial work on Back Lane,  
Piper homes parked cars still an issue - Cllr Rowley to continue to monitor and feedback to Piper Homes  
Long Carrant application, Clerk to check advertising

13. With nothing further to discuss the meeting closed at 20:10

14. Date of next meeting 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019

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Signed  
Chair

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Date