

ASHTON UNDER HILL PARISH COUNCIL

AGENDA – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: JAN 25

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To Members of Ashton under Hill Parish Council

You are duly summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting of Ashton under Hill Parish Council to be held on:

Tuesday 14th January 2025, 7.00pm at Ashton under Hill Chapel Hall.

1. WELCOME, PRESENT AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

2. DISPENSATIONS:

- (I) Cllr Rose 1 year from 13th March 2024 Ashton Social Centre (ASC), (discussion and voting rights).
- (II) Cllr Cope 1 year from 13th March 2024 Ashton Social Centre (ASC), (discussion and voting rights).
- (III) Cllr Baylis 1 year from 13th March 2024 Ashton Social Centre (ASC), (discussion and voting rights).

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS:

- (A) Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- (B) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
- (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 4 days prior to a meeting.
- (E) Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or any 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.
- (F) Failure to register or declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest may result in the commission of a criminal offence.

4. THE MEETING WILL BE ADJOURNED FOR PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

The time allocated is at the discretion of the council/chairman. Residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the chairman.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- (I) For the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 12th November 2024.

6. CLERK UPDATES & URGENT DECISIONS (DELEGATED AUTHORITY):

- (I) Delegated authority on items listed under Planning below.
- (II) Mr Nigel Akers is going ahead with the organisation of defib training without assistance from the Parish Council. The funds of £400.00 to go towards the training and associated items agreed at the last meeting are now no longer required.
- (III) There has been no response in relation to the letter sent on behalf of the Parish Council from the landowner of land behind the war memorial.

7. COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS.

8. PROGRESS REPORTS (given verbally by Councillors / * any formal proposals below):

(A) Social Centre – Cllr DC	(B) Police – Unallocated	(C) Lengthsman – Clerk
(D) Flooding – Unallocated *	(E) Highways & Byways – Cllr SM	(F) Trees – Cllr MW
(G) Footpaths – Cllr MW	(H) War Memorial & Steps – Clerk / Cllr MW.	(I) A46 Cheltenham Rd Safety Improvements – Cllr MW

*any updates from Cllr Hardman re flooding outside the Chapel.

9. PLANNING APPLICATION NOTIFICATIONS (lead Cllr Rose):

W/24/02154/FUL	The Pig Barns, The Groaten	Removal of shipping containers and mobile home and construction of single live / work unity.	Objection submitted.
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10. FINANCE:

Bank balances as at 31st December 2024

Current account balance	-	£17,195.36
Savings account balance	-	£20,911.84
Total	-	£38,107.20

(I) Proposal to approve the 3rd quarter accounts for 2024-25. Accounts circulated to all members prior to the meeting and are available from the Clerk on request.

(II) Proposal to approve the below Receipts and Payments.

Payments Nov / Dec 2024

Ref	Payee	Description	Date	Amount (£)
1	Webbees	Website Hosting Dec 24-May 25 Inv 1440	06/11/24	£ 125.00

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2	WCC Pension Fund	Pension Contributions Dec 24	19/11/24	£ 206.61
3	St Barbara's	Grant from Parish Council	19/11/24	£ 1,800.00
4	Unity Bank	Service Charge	30/11/24	£ 6.00
5	A Robinson	Clerk Home Office	02/12/24	£ 15.00
6	A Robinson	Clerk Salary Nov 24	02/12/24	£ 777.79
7	A Robinson	Clerk Salary Nov 24 (Should read Dec 24 on s.ment) Over payment of £162.90 now repaid.	30/12/24	£ 777.79
8	A Robinson	Clerk Home Office	31/12/24	£ 15.00
9	Unity Bank	Service Charge	31/12/24	£ 6.00

Receipts Nov / Dec 2024

Ref	Payee	Description	Date	Amount (£)
1	Unity Bank	Interest	31/12/24	£ 121.07

11. BUDGET / PRECEPT REQUEST 2025-26:

Proposal to approve the Budget forecast and Precept 2025-26, the draft budget forecast has been circulated to all members prior to the meeting and is available from the Clerk on request.

12. WYNCH FARM ARBORETUM:

Following the recent information that Wynch Farm is to be put up for auction on the 12th February 2025, Council to be updated and discuss any potential purchasing opportunities.

13. PLAYGROUND (S.106 OPPORTUNITY):

Proposal that Cllr Rose investigate and make preparations towards an application for the release of s.106 funding to spend on updating the playground. Further details to be provided by Cllr Rose during the meeting.

14. VAS – THE GROATEN:

Efforts have been made by the Lengthsman to repair the VAS following the damage caused last year, unfortunately it is still not working. Council to consider organising a repair by an external contractor. Agree budget where necessary.

15. TELEPHONE BOX:

During the high winds at New Year the Parish Council telephone box was damaged. Council to discuss and agree any budget where necessary for repairs.

16. TENNIS COURT SIGNAGE:

It is proposed that larger signage is required for the tennis courts. Council to discuss and agree any budget where necessary.

17. NEW ASSOCIATED DOCUMENT TO ACCOMPANY ALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Council to consider the adoption of a progress monitoring spreadsheet compiled by the Clerk. The purpose of the document is to track outstanding actions to keep them in a live position. This will be referred to during meetings and classed as an associated document. It will be accessible to all via request to the Clerk.

18. COUNCILLORS REPORTS & 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. Please note, no formal decisions can be made on anything within this section.

19. ANY OTHER CORRESPONDENCE (Data protected edited versions available from the Clerk on request):

- Nothing further of note.

20. PROVISIONAL NEXT MEETING (ALWAYS CHECK WEBSITE FOR UPDATES) - Tuesday 11th March 2025.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC / PRESS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND  **A Robinson (Clerk to the Council)**