

COLD ASHBY PARISH COUNCIL AGENDA

Wednesday 1st June 2022

A meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st June at 7.30 p.m.
In the sports pavilion, Stanford Road

Councillors are summoned to attend this meeting of the Parish Council.
Members of the public and press are invited to attend

Agenda

Present: to record the presence of Cold Ashby Parish Councillors, Officers, members of external authorities and others in official attendance at the meeting.

Interests: Members' attention is drawn to the need to disclose pecuniary interests not already registered before any relevant agenda item.

- 1. Apologies:** to **receive and consider** apologies for absence
- 2. Minutes:** to **approve** minutes of the meeting of the Council AGM and also the ordinary meeting held on the 4th May 2022.
- 3. Matters arising:** to **note for information only** any relevant matter arising from the approved minutes.
- 4. Open forum:** to receive and discuss matters raised by members of the public present at the meeting.

Items for decision

- 5. Accounts:** Members are asked to **approve** the attached accounts and **authorize** the payments contained in them. The balance reported at the May meeting was **£20,382.09** (£13,099.39 current and £7282.70 investment). Details of payments and receipts and the new balance are reported in **Annex 1**, a copy of which will be e-mailed to members in advance of the meeting and available at the meeting in hard copy.
- 6. Streetlight savings.** In 2019-20 consumption and maintenance payments to EoN amounted to £1338+£413 (**£1752.58**). In 2020-21, following the installation of new lights in March 2020, the charges, after lengthy correspondence, were £131.65+£614.51 (**£746.16**). The difference was **£1006.42**. In **2021-22**, the charges were **£56.96** for repairs and **£357.47** for consumption. The total charge was **£414.43**. The council previously determined that the savings over the original base charge of £1752.58 should be paid into the reserve account for future cemetery land purchase. The council is asked therefore to approve the transfer of **£1300** (rounded down) into the reserve account.

- 7. Other projects.** The chairman asks the council to consider if there are other projects which could bring benefits to the village in as cost effective a way as the streetlights. At this stage any idea can be considered for further evaluation and future resolutions.
- 8. Memorial Obelisk:** the council has decided to include a sum for this work in the budget for 22/23 and to seek grant aid for some or all the costs. There was some opposition to the project expressed at the assembly meeting, largely concentrated on the proposed location of the village green. The council is asked to consider alternative sites and to note that the assembly agreed that the project should not proceed without consultation at village level.
- 9. Planning: Application for temporary change of use WND/2022/0437.** Many residents have received an email from WNC planners informing them of a planning application from the Black Horse, which 'has not yet been validated'. The email has details of other enforcement requests and the action taken or otherwise. The council is asked if it wishes to take this opportunity to make its observations on the application (which is not available on the WNC website at the time of this agenda distribution) or to hold an extraordinary meeting when the application is known.
- 10. Police Single Point of Contact committee:** An appointment to this body was omitted from the AGM agenda. Councillor Bailey is the current contact. The council is asked how it wishes to take this matter forward.
- 11. Replacement of clerk.** The applications deadline is Friday 3rd June. The clerk will provide an update on applicants. Decisions are needed on the following:
- **Interview date(s) and format (zoom, face to face)**
 - **Interview panel and attendance by others**
 - **Interview tasks (to test appropriate skills, letter writing, spreadsheet)**

12. Post:



Graham Jones 26th May 2022