

ASHBY WOULD'S TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Ashby Would's Town Council held on Monday, 13th May 2024 at Moira Village Hall at 6.43pm

Present: Cllrs L Ordish (Outgoing Mayor), D Canner, J Hyde, P McCaffrey, J Perry, E Shephard, T Temple, P Thomas,

Officer: Mrs A Robinson - Town Clerk

Also Present: District Cllr D Cooper, District Cllr A Woodman, County Cllr Ashman (joins at 6.45pm)
Inspector Burge and PC Leech Leics Police (join at 6.48pm)

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR

Cllr Ordish stood down from the chair.

Cllr Ordish was elected as Mayor for the next year. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office book was signed. Cllr Ordish took the Chair for the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr C Griffin.

3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Cllr Perry declared an interest in item 20. Moira Youth Club.

4. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Cllr Shephard was elected Deputy Mayor for the next year.

5. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

Resolved: That Cllrs Shephard, Ordish, McCaffrey and Thomas be appointed members of the Communications Committee.

6. OUTSIDE BODY REPRESENTATIVES (Appendix A)

Consideration was given to the representatives on outside bodies. Cllr McCaffrey replaced as Moira Village Hall representative by the Mayor Cllr Ordish and the Deputy Mayor Cllr Shephard.

Resolved: That the representatives for outside bodies for 2024/2025 be amended as discussed and agreed (copy attached to the official copy of the Minutes).

7. GROUNDS INSPECTIONS (Appendix B)

Consideration was given to the allocation of grounds inspection areas. Briton Lodge Play Area allocated to Cllr Hyde.

Resolved: That the representatives for grounds areas be confirmed.
(copy attached to the official copy of the Minutes).

The Mayor closed the meeting at 6.53pm

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The Ordinary meeting of the Town Council commenced at 7pm.

71. MINUTES (Appendix D)

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 8th April be approved and signed as a true record.

72. PUBLIC QUESTION SESSION

No items.

73. POLICE MATTERS

The Mayor welcomed Inspector Burge and PC Leech to the meeting. Inspector Burge introduced himself and explained the police were now based in the fire station at Coalville. Force has been restructured and there is a very experienced command team with a new sergeant in place. Priorities constantly change and currently there is an increase in vehicle crime. Important to have visible presence and expects officers on patrol in the area to attend parish meetings. Members asked a number of questions relating to social media and promoting Beat Surgeries more widely and issues relating to parking outside schools with a request for more patrols. Cllr Canner thanked the police for improving their crime reporting system and asked if feedback on outcomes could be given for the shoplifting offences.

The Mayor thanked the officers for attending and they left the meeting at 7.16pm.

74. CLERK'S REPORT (Appendix E)

The Clerk updated the meeting on ongoing matters.

- Order placed for Remembrance Sunday traffic management.
- Holly Close works to be completed 9th & 10th July
- Migration to gov.uk emails in progress. Reminder to members to provide details.
- CCTV Norris Hill. No response. Progress will be chased.
- Further information presented from applicant seeking permission to fly paramotor
Resolved: Permission granted. Training and flying restricted to when site not in use for football activities.

75. CORRESPONDENCE (Appendix F)

Correspondence received since the last meeting was summarised and discussed where appropriate.

Community Orchard – The covid commemoration tree by NWLDC has failed. NWLDC will be asked to replace.

Albert Village Crossroads - Completion certificate for the s278 agreement issued.

Spring Cottage – Request to hire pitch received. Further enquiries to be made with current user.

Car Park Survey – Survey commissioned by NWLDC. Members encouraged to respond.

50 Ashby Road – Complaint lodged regarding possible breach of planning conditions.

Community Lottery – NWLDC launching lottery for local good causes.

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76. COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Cllr McCaffrey reported on the meeting held on the 18th April. Main topic of discussion was the presentation of the Nursing Cup and Jubilee Award. Recommendation to present awards alternate years.

76.1 Resolved: Nominations proposed. Communications Committee will discuss presentations at the next communications meeting.

77. TRANSPORT

The Mayor and Cllr Shephard have completed online training and Swarco have confirmed ongoing support is available.

78. FINANCE (Appendix G)

78.1 The Clerk reported on the Council's current financial position. Internal Audit will be taking place on 7th June.

78.2 Resolved: That the May payments list be approved. A copy will be attached to the official copy of the minutes. Missing vat figures for payments to Harvey & Clark to be added.

79 RECREATION GROUNDS AND LEISURE FACILITIES

79.1 Cllrs submitted their grounds inspection reports. Cllr Perry reported the hedge on the rear boundary of Albert Village Recreation Ground is overgrown and requires cutting back. Cllr McCaffrey asked members to give consideration to biodiversity and mowing requirements when renewing the grounds maintenance contract.

79.2 Moira Village Hall – Office Relocation

In the final stages. All welcome to view. Painting in progress and carpets to be fitted. Note of thanks to the Mayor and Cllr Shephard for their hard work in completing the conversion. Office moved planned for end of June.

79.3 Albert Village Clock Memorial

Quotation presented for re-lettering of memorial. £900 plus vat. To include cleaning of marble.

Resolved: Quotation approved.

79.4 Tollgate, Moira

Planting scheme proposed by grounds maintenance team presented.

Resolved: 40 shrubs to be planted as agreed.

79.5 Future Projects

As office move almost complete consideration can be given to other projects. Working party to be appointed to discuss further. Cllr Hyde proposed Albert Village Recreation Ground car parking and football facilities be included.

Resolved: The Mayor, Cllrs Hyde, McCaffrey, Perry, Thomas and Shephard appointed. Clerk to arrange first meeting.

80 PLANNING MATTERS

80.1 Consultations

24/00417/FUL – 47 Measham Road, Moira
Erection of single storey rear extension.

Decision: No objection.

24/00432/ADC – Miners Welfare Club, Bath Lane, Moira

Display of an externally illuminated double sided freestanding totem sign.

Decision: Objection to proposed location. Alternative suggested.

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80.2 Permissions

24/00211/FUL – 4 Orchard Close, Moira

Insertion of a dormer window to the rear roof slope of the main dwellinghouse (retrospective consent)

23/01666/FUL – 175 Ashby Road, Moira

Erection of a two-storey and single-storey rear extension, single-storey side/rear extension to provide for a garage, insertion of new openings and new windows on the main dwellinghouse, erection of a detached outbuilding to provide for a garden room/office and provision of new car parking area to site frontage.

24/00238/CLP – 76 Askew Way Woodville

Certificate of Lawful Proposed Use for conversion of an integral garage to an additional room

24/00122/CLP – Volunteer Hub at Bath Yard, Moira

Certificate of Lawful Proposed Use for replacement doors, internal alterations and use as Volunteer Hub

24/00295/CLP – Reabrook Chemicals, Rawdon Road, Moira

Certificate of Lawful Proposed Use for the removal and relocation of an access door at aerosol filling building.

24/00391/AGP – The Paddock, Measham Road, Moira

Prior notification for the erection of a new agricultural building.

18/01127/FUL – Whitney Park, Shortheath Road, Moira

Continued use of land as residential caravan site, including the stationing of 12 caravans/mobile homes, laying of hardstanding, construction of timber decking and erection of fencing.

81 **DISTRICT COUNCIL**

District Cllr Cooper reported on the alleged breach of planning conditions at 50 Ashby Road. Having spoken to the owner it is understood the building works will be completed within the next 4-6 weeks. Situation will be monitored as vehicles are known to park on road even when there are spaces in the car park.

Cllr McCaffrey reported on the conditions attached to the Whitney Park planning permission. Owner is required to comply with a number of significant conditions including reducing the height of the fence and compliance needs to be monitored.

Cllr McCaffrey advised the application for a bungalow on the corner of Shortheath Road and Rawdon Road was still pending. One officer advised no problem with a cesspit on site but another said it was not appropriate. It was noted the town council had responded to the Local Plan with a number of paragraphs on this point.

District Cllr Woodman reported on the proposed new boundary arrangements. Current Blackfordby ward to be split with Blackfordby allocated to Ashby. Three seat ward recommended.

Cllr Temple advised the wall around Sycamore Drive was unsafe and the square needs weeding. Noted this is a county responsibility.

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Cllr McCaffrey reported the fly tipping had not yet been removed. Area rear of Willow Close is starting to fill up with rubbish again. Residents report grass cutting has not been done but they pay a service charge to include this.

82 COUNTY COUNCIL

County Cllr Ashman reported on current matters and confirmed the grass cutting has started. Request for dragon's teeth refused but agree to repainting of sign. Request for yellow lines refused as it only moves the problem elsewhere. Speed table will be repaired but LCC are currently behind with road repairs.

Cllr McCaffrey enquired if any plans were available for the clay pit restoration site. It was noted parties are still in negotiation but plans will be shared as soon as publicly available.

Cllr McCaffrey requested a meeting be arranged with officers to discuss a volunteer project for Sarah's Wood. Area is neglected and gates need painting.

Cllr Temple reported on Chestnut Close. LCC contractors spent three days repairing the pipe but the water is still not going down.

83 MOIRA YOUTH CLUB

83.1 Proposed amendments to Heads of Terms by AWY & CC considered by the working party. Further alterations suggested and agreed. Crane & Walton to be instructed to draft lease.

83.2 AWY & CC meeting to be arranged. Date to be agreed.

84 OUTSIDE BODY REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr McCaffrey advised the Blossom Day planned by the Norris Hill Community Group was cancelled due to the weather. AGM to be held next week.

85 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

That in accordance with normal practice, the date of the next meeting would be Monday, 10th June 2024 at 7.00 pm at Moira Village Hall.

Meeting ended at 8.32pm.