

ASHBY WOULD'S TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Ashby Would's Town Council held at Moira Village Hall on Monday, 14th October 2024 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllrs L Ordish (in the Chair), D Canner, J Hyde, P McCaffrey, E Shephard, T Temple,
Officers: A Robinson (Town Clerk)

Also Present: District Cllr D Cooper, District Cllr A Woodman (joins at 7.36pm)
C Ridgeway NWLDC Community Focus Officer, 1 Member of Public

139 APOLOGIES

Cllr C Griffin, Cllr J Perry, Cllr P Thomas, Cty Cllr R Ashman, PCSO M Fearn.

140 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

None.

141 PUBLIC QUESTION SESSION

No items.

142 POLICE MATTERS

Monthly newsletter circulated. Attempted theft of vehicle from Donisthorpe Lane.

143 MINUTES (Appendix A)

Resolved: Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th September 2024 were approved and signed as a true record.

144 CLERK'S REPORT (Appendix B)

The Clerk updated the meeting on ongoing matters. CCTV at Norris Hill to be discussed under District Council.

144.1 Remembrance Sunday 10th November. 10.40am Parade and Service Bath Lane War Memorial. 11am Laying of Wreaths Albert Village Clock Memorial. Lamp post poppies and Soldiers will be installed before event.

145 CORRESPONDENCE (Appendix C)

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

- Timber Festival. Project has now ended. 2024 was the last timber festival.
- LCC matters. Free bus travel on Saturdays. Confusion regarding forthcoming road closures. Warm Homes Grant scheme to close.
- Ashby Would's Litterheroes completed a big litter pick on 12th October. 30 bags collected in Albert Village. If LCC could assist with road safety other roads could be targeted.

146 COMMUNICATIONS

Meeting held earlier today. Jubilee Awards and Nursing Cup discussed. Recipients agreed. Groups awarded the Nursing Cup to receive a small grant donation as part of the award.

Resolved: 2024/2025 Recipients. Nursing Cup – Ashby Would's Litterheroes
Jubilee Award Linda Bryan. Jubilee Award Anne Myring.

147 TRANSPORT

Members agreed this should remain as a standard agenda item.

148 FINANCE (APPENDIX D)

148.1 Bank reconciliation to be circulated. The Clerk read out the report of the External Auditor. Regulatory requirements met. No items of concern. External Auditor satisfied allocations are in line with the terms of the Joint Burial Committee.

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148.2 Grant application received from HeadstArt for funding towards new art materials.
Resolved: Grant for £100 approved under s137 Local Government Act.

148.3 DBS checks discussed. To be considered as part of a safeguarding policy.
Resolved: Safeguarding policy to be added as an agenda item for the next meeting.

148.4 **Resolved:** That the payments list for October be approved. A copy will be attached to the official copy of the minutes. Cllr McCaffrey queried rent to Moira Replan. Rent continues to be paid for use of former council chamber for storage. Cllr McCaffrey queried cleaning invoice. No cleaning invoice on list for authorisation as query raised with provider regarding costs for new office.

149 RECREATION GROUNDS AND LEISURE FACILITIES

149.1 Monthly inspection reports presented. Items noted.

149.2 Note of thanks to O'Connors groundsman for pruning and tidying work at Albert Village Clock Memorial.

149.3 149.3.1 Annual Grounds Inspections

Annual Inspections completed. Notes of inspections circulated. The Clerk read out a list of items requiring attention. List will be prioritised and actioned accordingly.

District Cllr Woodman joins the meeting at 7.36pm.

149.3.2 Norris Hill Corners

Cllr McCaffrey explained the work undertaken by My Piper on behalf of the Norris Hill Community Group. Site visit held with LCC. Conifer trees deemed no longer fit for purpose and removed. Licence to cultivate required to maintain flower beds. To be added to agenda for the next meeting.

149.3.3 Christmas Lighting 2024

Resolved: Christmas lights Albert Village and Moira Replan approved.

149.3.4 Moira Replan

Resolved: Furniture to be inspected and useable items relocated to the youth club building.

150 PLANNING

150.1 Consultations

24/00432/ADC – Miners Welfare Club, Bath Lane, Moira
Display of 2 no. externally illuminated free standing totem signs.
Decision: No objection.

150.2 Permissions

24/00987/FUL – 9 Sankey Drive, Albert village
Demolition of an existing single storey rear extension and erection of a new single storey rear extension.

150.3 Refusals

24/01109/FUL – 206 Spring Cottage Road, Spring Cottage
Demolition of existing semi-detached property and erection of three dwellings.

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151 DISTRICT COUNCIL

District Cllr Cooper updated the meeting on current matters;

- Beehive Wood planning application. Monitoring the situation.
- Moira United Flooding. Club has installed drainage but too early to say if issues resolved.
- Moira Replan. Meeting held at NWLDC. Lease issues discussed. Cllr Woodman advised a unit has become available at Moira Furnace which may be suitable for the pottery group.

Cllr McCaffrey queried works at Oakleigh Residential Home. Container remains on site. District Cllr Cooper will chase the owner as it should have been removed.

District Cllr Woodman updated the meeting on current matters;

- CCTV Norris Hill. AWTC will own the equipment. Draft policy forwarded to the Clerk. Proudcastle have been in touch to arrange training. Cost of equipment required for asset and insurance purposes.

Cllr McCaffrey reported on issues at Norris Hill. Area behind Willow Close cleared. A gate would prevent further fly tipping, fridge freezer dumped in Cedar Grove today. 99 Norris Hill remains boarded up. Report of people hanging around. District Cllr Woodman confirmed he would raise and report as necessary. New contract in place to sort out houses not in use.

Cllr McCaffrey enquired if proposal to engage young people in a community initiative in Norris Hill has progressed. District officer C Ridgeway advised she was not aware of any action; it would depend on levels of ASB crime but would contact the community safety partnership.

152 COUNTY COUNCIL

The Clerk read out a report on behalf of Cty Cllr Ashman. Obscured signs reported and chased. Trees and hedge at Chestnut Close queried. Community Speedwatch in Albert Village added to list for next year.

Cllr Temple reported the flooding in Chestnut Close is getting worse.

153 MOIRA YOUTH CLUB

153.1 The Mayor reported work has started to upgrade facilities. Some external work still to do before moving on to internal items which will continue whilst future of building is determined. Members unanimously agreed premises should be let by licence and not by lease. Draft licence template to be circulated.

Resolved: A lease will not be granted to the AWY & CC. All hirers of the youth club building including the AWY & CC to operate under a licence.

153.2 No AWY & CC representatives in attendance.

154 OUTSIDE BODY REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr McCaffrey reported attending Norris Hill Community Group meeting with LCC and the group's Apple Day. The Mayor, Clerk and Cllr McCaffrey attended the NFC Masterplan Vision Launch at Conkers.

155 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 11th November and will commence at 7pm at Moira Village Hall.

Meeting ended at 8.31pm.