

Minutes of the Meeting of Ashton Parish Council held on Wednesday 12th October 2022 at 6.30 pm

Present: Cllrs McAllister (C), Roychoudhury, Shanahan, Dickerson

Clerk: Lynn Lavender

Members of public 6

The National Mourning of HM Queen Elizabeth II

Chair summarised the actions taken by the Parish Council in memory of HM Queen Elizabeth II

874. Public Session reports/updates circulated

Discussion on whether the removal of Poplar trees on Land South of Roade Hill was a planning breach. Frustration was expressed about the process and lack of transparency.
Including WNC Cllr update.

875. **Apologies accepted from Cllrs Day, Bullock and WNC Cllr McCord**

876. **Declarations of Interest Cllr Shanahan planning, Cllr Mc Allister bridleway & Cllr Dickerson flooding**

877. Casual vacancies Applications **None**

878. Minutes of the Meeting 10th August 2022 **Approved**

879. Planning and current WNC arrangements for notification.

New Applications for consideration None

Updates Noted

Discussion re removal of trees on Land south of Roade Hill. **Information to be sought from WNC as to whether there was a planning breach and how this can be avoided in future.**

WNS/2022/1536/FUL	3 Hartwell Road, Ashton, Northamptonshire, NN7 2JR	Application for dropped kerb	29/07/2022	Pending
WNS/2022/1451/FUL	Land South Of Roade Hill, Ashton, Northamptonshire	Variation of condition 9 (trees) S/2020/0536/FUL Residential development of 5 detached dwellings with associated access, parking and landscaping to remove additional tree from the east boundary	20/07/2022	Pending
WNS/2022/1330/FUL	Hilltop Roade Hill Ashton NN7 2JH	Extension by adding an additional storey.	28/06/2022	Pending
WNS/2022/1190/MAF	Land South Of Stoke Road Ashton	10 Dwellings (Two x 4bed, Four x 3bed, Two x 2 bed, and Two x MAIS). With associated landscaping, parking and infrastructure works.	09/06/2022	Pending

WNS/2022/0941/FUL	15 Roade Hill Ashton NN7 2JH	Existing boundary stone wall to be demolished and rebuilt in stone. Heights to match existing in situ.	17/05/2022	Pending
WNS/2022/0918/FUL	Hilltop Road Hill Ashton NN7 2JH	Erection of a 2 storey, 4 bedroom detached house (Plot C - 3 of 3 new houses proposed)	12/05/2022	Pending
WNS/2022/0926/FUL	Plot A Hilltop Roade Hill Ashton NN7 2JH	Erection of a 3 storey, 5 bedroom detached house (Plot A - 1 of 3 new houses proposed)	11/05/2022	Pending
WNS/2022/0928/FUL	Plot B Hilltop Roade Hill Ashton NN7 2JH	Erection of a 3 storey, 5 bedroom detached house (Plot B - 2 of 3 new houses proposed)	11/05/2022	Pending
WNS/2021/1434/FUL	Land East Of Manor Farm Road Hill, Ashton, Northamptonshire	Erection of 6no. dwellings (3no. affordable), creation of new access, and ancillary parking, garages and landscaping	06/09/2021	Pending

A number of condition change applications can be viewed at <https://snc.planning-register.co.uk> Ashton Parish

880. **Financial Report and Bills for Payment**

i. Cash at Bank at 30th September **£58914.15**

Note Includes
election contingency funds £ 1237.79

ii Receipts included in balance above **Noted**

Date	From	For	Amount
29-Sept	WNC	Precept	9586.00

Payments **Approved**

Date	Payee	For	Amount	VAT
17- Aug	Mark Harrod	Goal posts	114.43	23.59
14 - Sept	L Lavender	Salary + Expenses	397.36	
14 - Sept	HMRC	PAYE	69.00	
14 - Sept	Greenleaf Gardening	Mowing	295.00	
14- Sept	S McAllister	Defib pads	tbc	
DD	Electric Total energies DD	electricity	88.12	4.20
12- Oct	L Lavender	Salary + Expenses	366.76	
12- Oct	HMRC	PAYE	69.00	
12- Oct	B Osborne	Payroll	67.50	

12- Oct	Greenleaf Gardening	Mowing	145.00	
12- Oct	Ncalc	Training	91.20	15.20
12- Oct	A Holt	Badges	33.60	
12- Oct	Gallagher	Parish insurance	775.75	
12- Oct	Ford and McHugh	Light repairs	516.00	86.00
12- Oct	Ford and McHugh	Trickle feed repair	118.00	18.00
12- Oct	PKF	Audit fee	240.00	40.00
12- Oct	Ncalc	Training	52.80	8.80
DD	Electric Total energies DD	electricity	tbc	

- iii Year to date accounts + internal control report **Deferred**
- iv Parish Insurance review **Agreed to stay with current provider**
- 881. Notice of conclusion of Audit **Noted, no issues raised. Thanks given to Clerk**
- 882. Agree budget process for 23/24 **To be agreed with Cllr Bullock**
- 883. Jubilee Rose planting. **To be ordered**
- 884. Remembrance arrangements in Ashton **Decided to order a wreath from RBL placement to be agreed.**
- 885. New projects: Update Plans/budget preparations/funding sources
Playground plans, design, quotes Cllr Shanahan **Initial plans discussed.** Suggestions seesaw, springers, picnic bench and mats. Need notice board. Football posts have been received.
Possible cctv/cameras for Parish Cllr Bullock **Deferred**
Possible footpath Hartwell Rd **Deferred**
Bus stop issues **Sign holder needed in shelter**
- 886. Update on streetlighting repairs/maintenance. **All working**
Update on new streetlight by bridleway. **Ongoing**
- 887. Projects update
 - i. Speed sign data update. **Deferred**
 - ii. Pathfinder flood alleviation/emergency plan project for 2022 Cllr McAllister
Flood Warden training now available. Anglian Water need to visit and explain their planned actions to alleviate the issues. Highways need to agree new drains
 - iii. Defibrillator household information cards + training update Cllr McAllister **On recall for battery fault. Needs spare pads. Information cards to be printed**
- 888. Highways issues Update from highways **As per 887 iii**
- 889. Maintenance of village hedges and verges. **Contractor to mow all areas ahead of quote**
- 890. Police liaison update Cllr Bullock **Deferred**
- 891. AVN details of next edition Cllr Roychoudhury **next edition planned for 2nd week Nov**
- 892. Feedback from Ncalc Conference and AGM Cllrs McAllister, Roychoudhury
Excellent conference Workshops attended re Cost of Living Initiatives and Policing
- 893 Councillor training **Cllr McAllister has completed the Councillor Development Award Foundation, Core and Leadership levels (2nd in the County to achieve this)**
Cllr Dickerson has completed Off to a Flying Start.
- 894. Regular updates
 - i. Footpaths; to receive a report Cllr Roychoudhury **Any issues have been reported.**
Ash tree die back on bridleway needs pollarding. WNC to look at trees on bridleway from a health and safety perspective.
 - ii. NHW Cllr McAllister **Change to village**
 - iii. Noticeboards Cllr McAllister **need redoing and updating**
 - iv. Cllrs' monthly safety checks; to receive a report on any issues arising **None**
- 895. Correspondence incl items requiring a response or decision

Northampton Gateway development by SEGRO amendment to their original planning application which may allow the developers to begin using the warehousing units ahead of the completion of the rail/freight interchange. **Information received and noted**

Possible further development Junction 15/A508 **Meetings of Parish Councils to be held**

Boundary changes consultation. **Available via link circulated**

Email from Cllr regarding flooding and infrastructure issues **Concerns passed to WNC Cllr requesting support**

Gigaclear community Hub scheme **Cllr Roychoudhury to research**

896. Next Full Council meeting: **9th November**