**ASHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

The September meeting was held on Tuesday 25th, in the Community Centre.

At the beginning of the meeting the District Councillor gave his report. The Chairman asked him to draw attention when the Plans for Brick Kiln Farm are put to the Planning Committee to ask for an extension to the TROD, Sound Proofing and environmental study, as requested for a neighbouring application.

**HIGHWAYS** – Comments received from Highways will be passed to Anglian Water. The Clerk to write to Highways regarding the request for the extension of the pavement near The Glebe. Highways did not feel the surface under the bridge at Holme Hale needed resurfacing. The road is to be closed at South Pickenham from the 1st to 3rd of October.

**PLAY EQUIPMENT** – The shackles on the swings have been replaced and the roundabout surround will be attended to. The bolts on the MUGA will also be checked.

**COUNTY COUNCILLOR –** Arrived at the meeting and reported that the majority of Children Centres in the county are to close. He also said he would inspect the road surface under the bridge at Holme Hale.

**PLAYING FIELD** – It was agreed to buy a combination lock for the gates to the Community Centre so they can be locked at nights. As the Swaffham school bus picks up in the entrance driveway the gates would require unlocking each morning by 7.30 a.m.

**WAYLAND PARTNERSHIP –** Marcia Forsyth gave a report.

**POLICE –**There were three reported crimes in July. The latest police report included Necton so it was unsure which offences had occurred in Ashill.

**COMMUNITY CENTRE –**Martin Blackmaninformed the meeting that the village Fete had raised £1500. The Chairman thanked all who had been involved in the organisation of the event which was a great success. **ALLOTMENTS** – Before the rents are collected on the 11th October, the allotments will be inspected.

**COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME –** a letter will be sentto drivers regarding transport for seriously ill passengers.

**COMMUNITY GARDEN -** £1000 has been received from the TESCO Bags of help Scheme. Daffodil bulbs have been planted and an offer to provide a seat has been received.

**LIGHTING OF THE BEACON TO COMMEMORATE THE END OF WW1 -**  On Remembrance Sunday 11th November the Ashill Harmony will be singing at the morning service in church at 9.30 a.m. During the day the Archive Group will hold an exhibition in the Call-in. At 7 p.m. the Beacon will be lit followed by the bells ringing at 7.05 p.m. This is to co-inside with the National Celebration arranged by Bruno Peek.

**PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT –** Mrs Thomas had conducted a survey regarding the providing of a ‘Tommy’ for the village with a good response. With the Parish Council’s approval further enquiries will be made regarding funding and siting of the memorial. A resident reported problems with lorries working on the two sites, leaving mud on the road and damaging the verges. An e mail will be sent to Highways and the County Councillor.

**PLANNING -** There were no objections to the type of building applied for at Hill Farm, Swaffham Road, but it should have an Agricultural Occupancy restriction. The application at Brick Kiln Farm due to be discussed by Breckland Planning Committee was discussed earlier in the meeting with the District Councillor. The application for the Ashill Precision Engineering building had been approved by Breckland Council.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS -** Provision of a ZIP wire and village maps to be added to the budget. The use of the disused Telephone Box will be offered to the Archive Group to hold an exhibition. An Ash tree on the boundary of the churchyard is dying this will be inspected and if felt to be a danger will be cut down.

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