

ASHILL PARISH COUNCIL

The June meeting was held on Tuesday 26th June, in the Community Centre.

HIGHWAYS – The County Councillor had informed the council that long grass obscuring the view at road junctions will be cut. A request for a 20 mph limit in Church Street and in Dunnetts Close and Old Allotment Close will be requested. Concern over speeding at the entrance of Old Allotment Close was expressed, it was agreed to send a letter to residents.

PLAY EQUIPMENT – Following the report received from ROSPA a safety surface will be fitted around the roundabout. Wear and tear on the swings will be monitored and repairs carried out as required. The practice goal post will be removed and stored. A quote will be obtained for replacing the fencing and gate near the MUGA. It was agreed to hold an official opening of the MUGA possibly on the day of the Village Fete.

PLAYING FIELD – the public were reminded that golf is NOT ALLOWED on the playing Field.

CONTAINERS – the electricity to the containers is still not connected and they are also awaiting painting. The AVA is now hiring one of the containers.

WAYLAND PARTNERSHIP – Marcia Forsyth gave a report.

POLICE – There were four reported crimes in April. 1 theft in Cressingham Road, 1 Violence & Sexual Offence near The Limes, 1 Anti social behaviour in Church Street and 1 public order in Church Street.

SPEEDWATCH SCHEME - Kate Mahatme has agreed to co-ordinate the scheme, a letter of thanks will be sent to Kate.

COMMUNITY CENTRE – will be closed the first two weeks in August for re-decorating the main hall.

ALLOTMENTS – No action concerning the sale of the site can be taken until a replacement site is found.

COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME – following a request from a resident it was agreed that the scheme is only for those attending medical appointments. The scheme is still very short of drivers and any volunteers would be most welcome, please contact the clerk.

OTHER MATTERS – The clerk to write concerning the closure of the Watton Post Office.

PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT – items included the grass verge near Millfield is badly rutted and also needs cutting. Dangerous conditions for pedestrians near The Glebe and Cressingham Road were brought to the council's attention. The footpath through from the Watton Road to Fir Park is overhung with trees and roots are damaging the surface, Highways will be contacted on all these matters.

PLANNING - One councillor objected to the variation on window design for Plot 1 The Firs. There were no objection from the other councillors. There were no objections to the erection of a garage at 7 Old Hall. Although it is not Ashill Parish, the council objected to an application for conversion of a barn to a single storey dwelling at Cutbush Farm, Common Road as it is outside the planning guidelines. 7 dwellings on Hale Road for Clayland Estates and an extension at Acacia Avenue have been approved by Breckland Council.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS - Richard Leighton was appointed to continue to serve as the council's representative on the Ashill Welfare Charity Trustees. The Japanese Knot weed at the back of Fairholme Close is being dealt with. The Car Park at the Community Centre will be sprayed for weeds.

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