

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ASHTON HAYES PARISH COUNCIL
held on Monday 14 May 2012 at 8pm.

PRESENT: Mrs Pauline Tilley (Vice-chairman), Mrs Naomi Deynem, Mr Garry Charnock (Chairman), Mrs Lisa Allman, Mr Dave Lee, Mr David Wilson, Ms Georgina Lloyds-Watts and Jane Colville.

ALSO PRESENT: 5 members of the public

1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

Agreed: That

Garry Charnock be appointed as Chairman for the ensuing year.

2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Agreed: That

Pauline Tilley be appointed as Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

3 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO SUB COMMITTEES

AGREED: that

The following Parish Councillors (listed below) be appointed to the Parish Council's sub-committees:

HIGHWAYS (present constitution 4)

Pauline Tilley
Georgina Lloyd Watts
Naomi Deynem
Trevor Scadeng

PLANNING

All Parish Council on a rota basis

AMENITIES (present constitution 4)

Dave Lee
Trevor Scadeng
David Wilson
Jane Colville

NEWSLETTER (present constitution 4)

Garry Charnock

Jane Colville
Trevor Scadeng

TARVIN EDUCATION FOUNDATION (present constitution 1)

Pauline Tilley

VILLAGE HALL REPRESENTATIVE (present constitution 1)

Trevor Scadeng

GOING CARBON NETURAL PROJECT (present constitution 4)

Garry Charnock
David Wilson
Georgina Lloyd Watts

ASHTON HAYES SPORTS AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION (present constitution 2)

Lisa Allman
Dave Lee

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (present constitution 4)

Jane Colville
David Wilson
Lisa Allman
Georgina Lloyd Watts

4 MINUTES

Agreed: that

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 April 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

NB: outstanding action – Clerk to write to the new Landlord of the Golden Lion.

5 PUBLIC SPEAKING

The following comments/questions were raised:

Turning left onto Church Road from Gongar Lane is proving difficult. Hedge of Tycelyn, Church Road has grown too tall.

AGREED: that

The Clerk write to Police and highways regarding this matter.

Recycling facility has been removed from Golden Lion pub.

Thank you from Mike Powers- Chairman of ASHRA for the donation from the Parish Council.

6 FINANCE

The following expenditure was approved for May 2012:

				Amount £	Running total of spend
14.5.12	100292	Audit Commission	Audit fees for 2011/12	£2,400.00	£5,592.22
14.5.12	100293	staples	Ink cartridges, paper and staples	£61.48	£5,653.70
14.5.12	100294	AUTELA LTD	Year end forms	£11.00	£5,664.70
14.5.12	100295	Came & Co	Insurance 2012/13	£568.26	£6,232.96
14.5.12	100296	AUTELA LTD	Payroll for May 2012	£12.00	£6,244.96
14.5.12	100297	MRS G FORGRAVE	wages - April 12hrs	£75.72	£6,320.68
14.5.12	100298	Mrs Thwaite	Salary - may	£258.91	£6,579.59
14.5.12	100299	ASHRA	Management fees	£300.00	£6,879.59
14.5.12	100300	Mr G Charnock	Reimbursement of building reg Pavilion	£487.60	£7,367.19

7 INCOME

The following income was received during May 2012:

100089	Thursday Club (Cash)	Hire of Hall 12 April	£18.00	£12,643.00
100090	Theatre club	17 Jan - 28 Feb. Rehearsals	£84.00	£12,727.00
100091	Scrabble Club	March hire of hall	£60.00	£12,787.00

8 2012/13 PARISH COUNCIL INSURANCE

AGREED: that

The Parish Council agreed their 2012/13 Insurance with Came & Company for £568.26.

9 PLANNING

The following planning applications were received for comments:

7 Peel Hall Lane – rear extension.
Jane Colville and Georgina Lloyd Watts to undertake PC observations.

APPROVED

Grange cottage – fell and thin out trees. 12/1541/TPO

10 HIGHWAYS

Pot holes in Church Road outside Nursery were reported and the Clerk confirmed that she would follow up the report she made with the Borough's Highways Dept on 1 May regarding them.

11 SPEED DEVICE – CHURCH ROAD

The Clerk advised that funding for the Parish's speed indicator had been deferred until 2013/14. However, the Highways Department has confirmed that if funding became available sooner, the speed indicator device would be installed earlier.

12 PLANNING APPLICATION FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN ASHTON LANE

The Clerk advised that no new planning application by Equity Homes had been submitted yet. Mrs Tilley confirmed that as and when they do the Parish Council would hold a public meeting in June to discuss Equity Homes' latest proposal for affordable housing.

It was agreed to seek to co-opt Frank Brereton onto the Parish Council to assist with the Parish Council's response to Equity Homes' planning application and the Clerk to extend the invitation to him on behalf of the Parish Council.

Jane Colville, Georgina Lloyds Watts and Andrea Thwaite agreed to draft a letter to Deputy Prime Minister's Office to inform them that Ashton Hayes was in the midst of drafting its neighbourhood plan but that a planning application had been received for affordable housing in the village, prior to its completion.

AGREED: that

Frank Brereton to be invited to be co-opted onto the Parish Council for 12 months

Proposer: Pauline Tilley
Seconder; Georgina Lloyds Watt
Vote: all in favour.

14 UPDATE ON ASHTON HAYES SPORTS AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION

Meeting suspended

Mike Powers, Chairman of AHSRA, thanked the Parish Council for its recent financial support and advised that the planning application for outdoor gym equipment will be submitted shortly. AHSRA was holding its Annual General

meeting soon which would be a public meeting. The village's Jubilee Picnic will be held on the recreational field on Sunday 3 June at 12.30pm.

Meeting resumed

Garry Charnock advised that one of the solar panels on the roof of the Pavillion was cracked which will be monitored. The power output from the Panels was within the target.

15 GOING CARBON NEUTRAL PROJECT

Garry Charnock updated the meeting the GCNP;

- Turkish TV might be filming in Ashton Hayes over the next few weeks ,
- Membership to Energy Company would be opened up to residents
- Government is offering another £15m to village for new sustainable projects,
- Cheshire West and Chester Council was working with DEFRA to consider how resilient villages' were and Ashton Hayes has been chosen as one. An audit exercise is to be undertaken by residents,
- Community Electric car was currently off the road and for sale. If the car was sold, the capital could be reinvested into another projects,

16 ASHTON HAYES NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Jane Colville updated the Parish Council on the Neighbourhood Plan. She advised that the initial survey was ready to be distributed and students from University College Chester were assisting with this and the collation of the results. Early/mid June early results from the survey would be shared and then would be available at one or two planned public drop in sessions, dates to be confirmed.

Jane Colville continued by thanking the many residents who had volunteered their skills and time to assist in the drafting of the neighbourhood plan. She advised that two sub groups had been established to manage the collection of the survey data and village design statement. Cheshire West and Chester Council was waiting to hear if it had received any of the latest funding for Neighbourhood Plans from central government. Ashton Hayes had registered its Neighbourhood Plan with the Council and would hopefully receive some of this funding at some point .

To ensure inclusivity in the production of the Neighbourhood Plan in the village, a box is permanently in the post office for residents to leave their details in it, if they want to volunteer to the process or simply comment on an aspect of it.

Jane Colville confirmed that a letter had been circulated to residents of Horton-cum-Peel advising them of Ashton Hayes' Neighbourhood Plan and asking if they wish their area to be included in this planning activity . The Council are looking into this matter with Whitehall as it is unclear what to do in such situations vis a vis the Neighbourhood Plan and the boundaries .

AGREED: that

The Chairman thanked Jane on behalf of the Parish Council for her hard work in leading the Neighbourhood Plan.

17 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The following items were raised under any other business:

- Garry Charnock agreed to speak to the new Landlord of the Golden Lion to welcome him to the village
- The next Around Ashton Hayes to be published in June; the school to be asked for an update to be included and Garry to include an update report from the new Landlord of the Golden Lion,
- Gowy's community Forum – 14 June (Pauline Tilley to attend)
- Ashton & Mouldsworth Community Shop's AGM to be held in September,
- School's artwork to be hung in Parish Rooms and Georgina Lloyds-Watts to co-ordinate this,
- Tables from the Parish Rooms to be used for the Jubilee Event,
- Google maps and sat nav does not show Shay Lane to be unpassable,
- Clerk to write to Highways Dept and ask them to erect a sign saying Shay Lane is not passable.

Garry Charnock on behalf of the Parish Council expressed his thanks to Pauline Tilley for all her hard work and contribution over the years towards the Parish Council and the village.

18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was scheduled for 11 June at 7.30 pm and the Annual Parish Meeting will be held during the meeting. The Clerk to write to organisations to invite them to attend.