



# Ashington Parish Council

**Members of Ashington Parish Council are summoned to** attend a meeting of the Ashington Parish Council that will take place at **Ashington School at 7:45p.m.** on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting and speak for a maximum of 5 minutes during the public adjournment at the discretion of the Chairman.

Karen Dare  
Clerk to the Parish Council

3<sup>rd</sup> January 2020

## **A G E N D A**

001/20 Apologies for absence

002/20 Declaration of Interests and notification of change of interests

003/20 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019

004/20 Neighbourhood Wardens Report (Appendix 1)

005/20 Youth Worker Report (Appendix 2)

006/20 Report from District and County Councillors

007/20 Young Persons Adjournment

008/20 Public Adjournment

009/20 Action List Update

- a. ACCT working together – Foster Lane play area
- b. Armed Forces Covenant Grant – update
- c. Defibrillator Working Party - update

010/20 Correspondence received for action

- a. WSCC – reinstatement of previous gritting routes
- b. ACCT – holding an Open Day on 25<sup>th</sup> January 10am-1pm.
- c. WSCC - consultation on School Admission Arrangements for September 2021/22.
- d. HDC – training session on conduct and standards in public life on 30/1/20 5.30pm.

011/20 Correspondence received for information

- a. HDC – appointment of new Warden Supervisor
- b. WSCC – introducing Waste Prevention Team
- c. Sussex Community Foundation – Sussex Uncovered (a report on Sussex life including data/statistics)
- d. Letter of introduction from Andrew Griffith MP

- e. HALC Minutes of 4/12/19
- f. WSCC – Community Resilience activities update

012/20 Meetings attended by Councillors

013/20 Matters raised by Councillors

014/20 Chairman's announcements

### **Planning**

015/20 Minutes of the planning meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – meeting cancelled

016/20 Planning correspondence –

1. Work on the Horsham District Local Plan 2019-2036 is in full swing. From 17 February we will be publishing our assessment of the sites that have been put forward to us for development.

017/20 Neighbourhood Plan update – update & next steps

018/20 New Enforcement Allegations – none

### **019/20 Planning Applications**

DC/19/2499 Retrospective Application for the creation of new access and earth works onto Park Lane - Land To The East of Park Lane, Park Lane

020/20 Horsham District Council Decisions

#### **Approvals** -

DC/19/2259 Erection of a single storey rear extension - 10 The Sands

**Refusals** - none

**Withdrawals** - none

**Appeals** - none

### **Finance**

021/20 Approval of Budget and Precept 2020-21

022/20 Correspondence: none

023/20 Income

024/20 Expenditure (Appendix 3)

025/20 Date of Next meetings

The next Planning Committee meeting is at **7:30pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2020** in Committee Room 2, Ashington Community Centre. **These are NOT Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meetings.**

The next Parish Council will be held at **7:45pm on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020** at Ashington School, Foster Lane.

Confidential Matter – exclusion of Press and Public

None

Members of the public should be aware that being present at a meeting of the Council or one of its Committees will be deemed as the person having given consent to being recorded (photograph, film or audio recording) at the meeting, by any person present.

**Appendix 1 – Warden Report**

# Warden Monthly Report

December 2019 – Ashington

<b>Patrol hours TOTAL:</b>		<b>ASB incidents TOTAL:</b>	
Foot (high visibility)	28	Noise	
Vehicle	24.25	Neighbours	
<b>Notices/warnings TOTAL:</b>		Driving/vehicles	2
Fixed Penalty Notice		Bikes	
Yellow card warning		Alcohol/drugs	
Community Protection Warning/Notice		Public order	
Parking alert	1	<b>Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:</b>	
<b>Police reports TOTAL:</b>		Fly tipping / flyposting	
Phone (including 101 and 999)		Graffiti	
Email	1	Dog fouling	1
Intelligence report		Litter	
E-CINS (multi-agency reporting)		Drug litter	1
Verbal		Hazards	1
<b>Admin</b>	31	<b>Community events attended</b>	2
<b>Visits to vulnerable people (all ages)</b>	22	<b>School contact/engagement</b>	1
<b>Signposting</b>	2	<b>Reports to DVLA</b>	1
<b>Safeguarding referral</b>		<b>Reports to Operation Crackdown</b>	1

## ASB/crime/criminal damage

We haven't received any further reports of vehicles drifting around the north end of the village but we are still getting leaflets made up to deliver to properties around that area. We have a meeting arranged with Chris Stark from Highways and the parish for 10.30am on 13<sup>th</sup> January. We are also trying to tie in a date with the area manager for the BP to discuss the problems with him as explained in the previous meeting.

A verbal warning was given to a young driver who skidded into the community centre car park. We didn't witness it ourselves otherwise we would have issued a fixed penalty notice. The driver has been advised of this.

## Parking/vehicles

There has been a report of a vehicle being parked around the village which looks like it is abandoned. It isn't an abandoned vehicle as we have spoken with the owner previously. It currently is without a valid MOT so it has been reported.

## Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

We have had no reports and witnessed no fly tipping over the last month. Whilst out on foot patrols we have carried out two big litter picks around the village. Drug litter was found near the scout hall which we will monitor.

## Community engagement/events/meetings

December saw the return of the Warden Christmas party. We hosted around 50 members of the community. Members from the Youth club attended and helped serve food and drink. From feedback received the youths were very well received and were all very polite and worked extremely hard during the evening. They also put together a fantastic selection of prizes for the raffle. All proceeds that were raised from the raffle went directly to the youth club. A special thank you to Margaret Alford and Festival committee for covering the costs of the hall, the DJ and Sherry. Thank you to everyone that attended and to everyone that helped in anyway. It hasn't gone unnoticed and we really appreciate the support.

We had the honour of attending the community Christmas Lunch and helping to serve those who came, it was a lovely occasion and Pat and her team of volunteers worked exceptionally hard.

## Patrols (foot/visible and car)

Across the month the whole village has been patrolled on foot as well as in the car at different times. We have gathered some really good intelligence this month whilst out on foot which we have found extremely beneficial.

## Elderly and youth

We did a pre-Christmas visit to most of the residents on our elderly and vulnerable list to check their community link alarms and to ensure that they were safe during the festive period.

We spoke with Ashington primary school after a message was sent out to parents that a child had been offered a lift from a stranger in a neighbouring village after school whilst walking home. Prior to the

school breaking up for Christmas holidays we have stepped up patrols at school drop off and pick up time at different places where children walk to and from school to provide reassurance.

## Licensing

Nothing to report.

## Dog related issues

We have reported an overflowing dog bin on Rectory lane so hopefully this will be emptied in due course.

## Cycling

Nothing to report.

## Parish specific/other

We have held a meeting with Brian Jacobs, the area coordinator for Neighbourhood watch and we are pleased to be working alongside them to promote community safety and help to promote the scheme.

There has recently been an increase in shop lifting from M&S. We are looking to work with Horsham police to promote shop watch in the area. The idea being that if thieves are targeting shops then they can all communicate this to one another and the Police let shops know any information that is relevant for them to know.

Over the last month we have been working with a vulnerable young person in the community to ensure they are safe when they are out and about. We are also working with the family to support them as well as signpost to other agencies when required.

We reported damage to a road sign on the Billingshurst Road roundabout which has already been replaced by WSCC.

Mill lane was badly flooded when there was a lot of rainfall. It was reported to WSCC who did attend and jet the drains. Thankfully a resident has installed a pump there so this has helped to clear the water that was there. One property was flooded during this period. We will continue to monitor when and if we get any more rainfall.

### **Appendix 2 – Youth Worker Report**

To follow

### **Appendix 3 – Expenditure**

Karen Dare (Clerk)	Home office (December)	£20.00
	Travel (HALC meeting 4/12/19)	£10.40
Mark Adsett	Landscape Gardening (December)	£533.75
Ashington PCC	Invoice YW-2019-12 (December)	£1,083.33
WSCC	Salaries and Costs (December 2019)	£1,969.75
Public Works Loan Board	Repayment of Loan	£3,110.12

All to be paid by Bank Transfer

**Appendix 4**

**Funds held by the Parish Council on behalf of others:**

Ashington Rangers      £ 724.01

Ashington Residents Association £615.85