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ASHINGDON PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER – May 2011

Welcome to the first edition of Ashingdon Parish Council's newsletter. You will be receiving the newsletter on a quarterly basis and it will have details of upcoming events along with Parish Council information

A new District & Parish Council!

Elections were held on Thursday 5th May 2011 for both the District and Parish Council. Tracy Capon was re-elected uncontested to serve for a further four years on the District Council. We welcome Councillor Carol Parfitt to the Parish Council and say goodbye and thank you to Councillor Lynne Brand who decided not to stand for a further term.

Local List Supplementary Document

Rochford District Council have produced the Local List which identifies buildings and items of street furniture which are considered to be of local historical or architectural importance, and give them additional protection through the planning system. Various buildings and street furniture were detailed in the document and the Parish Council agreed with all items listed should be included.

Councillor Surgeries

During March 2011 the Chairman and Clerk visited the Mews Bar, South Fambridge, Kilnfiled House, Hockley and Ashingdon and East Hawkwell Memorial Hall to meet with the local parishioners.

Consultation was undertaken with residents of South Fambridge regarding proposals for St Thomas Road car park. We thank everyone for attending.

Please come along to the next surgery, look out for further information in the next newsletter.

Report from the Chairman, Debbie Constable, on the work of the Parish Council during 2010/11

In May 2010 I had the privilege of being elected Chairman of Ashingdon Parish Council and what a busy year it has been.

In June our clerk, John Dyke, announced he was retiring (was it something I said!) and the search began for his replacement. John worked diligently for the Council and our thanks go to him for all his hard work. In September, Kelly Holland took over as Clerk. Kelly is a fully qualified clerk holding the Certificate in Local Council Administration and we are sure she will be a great asset to the Parish.

This year the Council has held 7 surgeries throughout the parish and I have met many parishioners who have raised issues and concerns that are being pursued by the Council in association with Rochford District Council and Essex County Council.

We have forged links with 3 local schools namely, Ashingdon School, King Edmund and Greensward Academy. I have attended 4 school council meetings and have been very impressed at how the young people manage these meetings. The Council now sponsors an award for the most 'Pro Active School Councillor'. The King Edmund award was won by Adam Ellis.

During the summer we asked young people what they would like to see in the parish. Top answers were a skate park and holiday activities. The Council is now actively pursuing the skate park idea and is liaising with Rochford DC over holiday activities.

In June the new teen shelter was installed in King George's Playing Field. The design was chosen by a committee of young people and we thank them for their input. The shelter has been used by all ages in our unpredictable weather!

Grants totalling £1450 have been given to local projects including, The Massive Project, Old Peoples Welfare Committee and Claret & Blue Girls Football Team.

The parish has replaced 3 dead trees outside the Memorial Hall and has continued to maintain bus shelters, street benches and street lighting.

The Christmas Buffet held 11th December was well supported and the parish has been well represented at Civic events.

Finally, thank you to all Parish Councillors for their time and input over the past year.

Cllr. Debra Constable

Parish Council Finances 2010/11

How did we spend your money?

Administration

Staffing costs (including salaries, pensions & PAYE/Ni contributions)	£16,409
Stationary	£427
Postage	£353
Telephone/broadband	£382
Photocopying/printing	£45
Other office equipment	£402
Subscriptions	£936
Internal & External Audit	£525
Insurance	£1348
Hall Hire	£0
Training	£375
Travel expenses/member allowances	£2099

Open Spaces

Bus shelter cleaning	£1141
Verge maintenance/improvement	£1324
Council tax (St Thomas Road car park)	£87
Village Repairs/maintenance	£3550

Street Lighting

Supply	£3413
Maintenance	£3006

Recreation

Christmas buffet	£493
Youth Shelter	£11295

Grants & Donations

£1980

Other expenditure

£4084

VAT

£4290

Brought forward from 2009/10	£33,358
Total Income for 2010/11	£63,968
Total Expenditure for 2010/11	£57,964
Carried forward to 2011/12	£39,362