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ASHINGDON PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER – May 2018

Councillor Vacancies

There are currently two vacant seats on the Parish Council. If you are interested in becoming a member of Ashingdon Parish Council please come along to a meeting held on the 1st Monday of each month at 7.30pm in the committee room, Ashingdon & East Hawkwell Memorial Hall. Alternatively, contact the Clerk on 01702 257457 for further information.

Special Constables

Some Parish Councils within Essex are providing small amounts of funding for Special Constables in their area. This funding is provided by way of the parish precept. Ashingdon Parish Council have discussed this service provision but have decided to put the decision on hold at present. We would like to hear your views – would you be prepared to pay more precept in order for the Parish Council to fund Special Constables in the area? Please send you thoughts to the clerk

ashingdonparishcouncil@essexinfo.net.

More information on Special Constables can be found at
<https://www.essex.police.uk/join-the-police/special-constabulary/>

Extension to the play area at King George's Field

We were unsuccessful with the grant application to Veolia but have successfully secured £1000.00 from the Tesco Bags of Help scheme. The Parish Council have submitted a grant application to Enovert which will be considered in May 2018.

Future Parish Council meetings

Monday 14th May 2018 at 7.30pm.
Monday 4th June 2018 at 7.30pm.
Monday 2nd July 2018 at 7.30pm.

Meetings are held in the Committee Room at Ashingdon and East Hawkwell Memorial Hall, Ashingdon Road, Ashingdon.

Report from the Chairman, Terry Flowers, on the work of the Parish Council during 2017/18

As my year as Chairman comes to an end it's had its up's and down's. I was elected as Chairman in May 2017 after my predecessor Debbie Constable decided to stand down after 7 years in the chair. My first function was to attend the "Wild Woods Day" in Hockley. A pleasant day with many people taking interest in our stall. I also saw many people I knew and some whom I hadn't seen for a while. This was followed by the Ashingdon School Academy fete, and again many interested people coming to our stall, but a very windy day. I was invited to the District Chairman's Garden Party. Met some dignitary's and some old friends from various parishes and some new ones. I attended the Citizens Advice Bureau's AGM, a good evening. I also attended Wyvern Community Transport's AGM where many topics were discussed.

We held our annual skate park in August, we extended it by one day as it seems popular by the children who seemed to enjoy themselves. I also attended the annual Remembrance service in the Memorial Hall where I laid a wreath on behalf of the parish. We held our annual Christmas Buffet in December. The weather was not very good which we think accounted for the low attendance. We held a raffle for Myeloma Cancer Research and raised £76.50. I managed to attend the King Edmund school carol service, very entertaining mixing new with traditional carols.

On the 26th January I attended the Holocaust Memorial Service at the Mill in Rayleigh. Leslie Kleinsman gave a very interesting story of his life as an intern in the camps.

We co-opted 1 new councillor, unfortunately Robyn had to resign for personal reasons. We wish to thank Robyn for her contribution and wish her well. We have 2 vacancies on the council, so if you feel you can help the community by becoming a councillor please contact our parish clerk.

We gave grants this year to Ashingdon Free Church, St Andrews Church Ashingdon, Kaos and Old Peoples Welfare Committee.

The wooden lectern displaying "The Battle of Assundun" sited in St Andrews churchyard was damaged. We are in the process of re-erecting the Lectern.

We advertised for volunteers to join a working party for the skate park. Unfortunately only 2 responded and so we are putting this on hold. If you would like to volunteer for the project then please contact our parish clerk for more information. The extension to the play area in King George's field and the feasibility for reopening the toilets are still on-going. We are also in the process of refurbishing the teen shelter.

I would like to thank Kelly and Alan for their hard work and for the Councillors for their time and hard work during the year.

Cllr Terry Flowers

Parish Council Finances 2017/18

How did we spend your money?

Running Costs

Administration	28,568.93
Open Spaces	7,386.26
Street Lighting	9,797.82
Recreation	3,245.00
Crime Prevention	553.00
Grants and Donations	1,376.50
VAT Data	4,252.71

Total Payments	<u>55,180.22</u>
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Receipts and Payments Summary

Opening Balance	53,350.36
Add total receipts	<u>75,663.72</u>
	129,014.08
Less total payments (as above)	<u>55,180.22</u>
Closing Balance	<u>73,833.86</u>