

# **Cold Ashby Parish Council**

## **Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 7.30 pm at Cold Ashby Pavilion.**

### **Minutes**

**Present:** Councillors Roper (Chairman), Peel, Taylor, RD Williams, RL Williams, Bailey, Harpham.  
Councillor Ware. 7 members of the public.

This meeting was recorded by a member of the public

Meeting started: 19:30                      Meeting ended 20:59

**Interests:** No pecuniary interests were declared.

**23.4.1 - Apologies:** none – all present.

**23.4.2 - Minutes:** minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 were unanimously **approved** as an accurate record.

**23.4.3 - Matters arising:** progress made with Natwest re banking changes.

**23.4.4 - Open forum:**

Representations were made on planning application WND/2023/0080 and the sale of the Black Horse Public House.

Representations were made on the condition of roads, specifically Church Lane.

Representations were made on 59/60 Bus Service – Councillors confirmed Cold Ashby decided previously not to contribute.

Councillor Ware provided an update from WNC regarding Fostering services, land opposite football club (judicial review), SEN and planning changes (Daventry & South Northants / Northampton). Councillor Ware also provided updates in relation to the Budget and the 59/60 Bus Service which is undergoing consultant review.

**23.4.5 – Accounts & Eon price increase:**

Members **approved** the accounts for March.

**The clerk** will liaise with Eon to confirm whether lights will be inspected annually and the findings reported to Cold Ashby Parish Council. **It was resolved** that subject to the confirmation from Eon Cold Ashby Parish Council would continue with the maintenance provided by Eon at the revised rates. Proposer: Councillor RD Williams. Seconder: Councillor Taylor.

**23.4.6 – Planning Applications:**

**WND/2023/0080 – The Black Horse, Accommodation, Main Street, Cold Ashby NN6 6EL**

Councillors raised concerns regarding the utilisation of accommodation whilst not trading as a Public House. **The clerk** to respond to WNC outlining concerns.

**WND/2023/0148 – Land to South West of A14 Junction At Cold Ashby, Northampton Road, Cold Ashby.**

Councillors were unable to access plan details – the planning portal had changed from Daventry to WNC and the documents were not accessible. **The clerk** to write to WNC and request extension to enable Cold Ashby Parish Council to review and respond following the May 2023 meeting.

Councillors also expressed concerns regarding the advertising and awareness of a planning application of this scale.

**23.4.7 – Contract renewal: Village Grass Cutting 2023-2024 proposal:**

**It was resolved** that quotes would be obtained from other providers for review at the May meeting. Proposer: Councillor Roper. Seconder: Councillor Taylor.

**The clerk** to contact the existing provider regarding their proposal and enquire whether one April cut can take place at last years cost.

**23.4.8 – Funding request to support 59/60 Bus Service.**

Councillors agreed budget is stretched, no change to previous contribution (£0)

**23.4.9 – Frequency of Parish Council Meetings.** Councillors unanimously agreed to remove January and July from the meeting schedule.

**23.4.10 – Environment:**

**Traffic Survey:** No update despite multiple chases.

**Roads (condition and issues)** Councillor RL Williams has reported multiple issues with the local roads. **The clerk** to contact Helen Howard.

**23.4.11 – Boundary Review:** Councillor Roper expressed that Cold Ashby Parish Council meetings have been previously well supported, there are concerns whether one Councillor across multiple villages can provide the same presence at meetings.

**23.4.12 - Verbal Reports:** Request to add litter picking to the next meeting agenda.

**23.4.13 - Post:** none

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Natalie Heath', written in a cursive style.

Natalie Heath 13<sup>th</sup> April 2023