

Cold Ashby Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3rd May 2023 at 7.30 pm at Cold Ashby Pavilion.

Draft Minutes

Present: Councillors Roper, Harpham, Peel, Taylor, RaWilliams, RiWilliams, Bailey. 5 members of the public.

This meeting was recorded by a member of the public.

Interests: Cllr Roper declared he has joined the Cold Ashby Community Pub Group Ltd.

23.5.1 - Apologies: none

23.5.2 - Minutes: minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 5th April 2023 were unanimously **approved** as an accurate record.

23.5.3 - Matters arising: Cllr Taylor raised that litter picking was not added to the agenda for this meeting (see 23.5.12 environment)

23.5.4 - Open forum:

Representations were made on the condition of buildings/property in the village. Cllr Harpham advised dangerous structures should be reported to WNC. If members of the public are reporting issues and would like to make the Parish Council aware this can be reported to clerk@coldashbypc.com and the matter will be added to the agenda for the next meeting of the council.

23.5.5 – Accounts: Members **approved** the accounts for April. Cllr Harpham noted a typing error in the agenda “.... Did not exceed £25,000 in the year of account”

23.5.6 – Annual return to external auditor:

It is resolved to agree to complete the Certificate of Exemption presented to the meeting (or as amended at the meeting) and to authorise signature by the chairman and clerk.

It is resolved that the figures for 2022-2023 listed in ‘Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2022/23 for Cold Ashby Parish Council’ represent an accurate statement of the councils end of year financial position 2022/23, are approved for use in the audit and can be signed off by the chairman

It is resolved to agree to complete ‘Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2022-23’ as presented (or as amended) at the meeting and to authorise signature by the chairman and the clerk.

23.5.7 – Budget Review: Members agreed to target reductions in spending in the following areas:
Special Projects (£1000), Lengthsman (£600), Grass Cutting (£1000 noting a requirement to maintain the cemetery hedge @ approx. £300), & Grants (£1500).

23.5.8 – Planning Applications:

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

First floor extension to living accommodation (over existing ground floor). No additional comments.

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

Outline application with all matters reserved except means of access for the development of three Use Class B8 units. **The clerk** to respond to WNC. WNC have confirmed an extension until 14th May for responses and will post a site notice.

23.5.9 – Village Grass Cutting 2023-2024: three proposals were considered, Concillors present voted to approve RiWilliams proposal (Cllr Peel abstained):

£606/month

£478/month (inc VAT) Prop: Cllr RiWilliams, Sec Cllr Harpham – 5 cuts

£450/month (+ VAT)

23.5.10 - Eon price update: the clerk to accept the proposal from Eon and request dates and advanced notice of cleaning/inspection.

23.5.11 – Cold Ashby Parish Assembly: 17th May 2023 @ 19:30 in the Sports Pavilion. Agreed agenda attached.

23.5.12 – Environment:

Traffic Survey: RiWilliams has received an update that there is a meeting in May to discuss the feedback provided by CAPC. The reported is expected May/June and a meeting will be scheduled afterwards with CAPC to discuss.

Roads (condition and issues): repairs have been carried out to pot holes on West Haddon road following support from Cllr Kevin Parker.

Damaged drain: Bridle Way: **The Clerk** to request support from Cllr Kevin Parker, neither Anglian Water, Severn Trent or Highways have resolved.

Litter Picking: Cllr Bailey & Cllr Taylor to look in to an organised litter pick

23.5.13 - Verbal Reports: none

23.5.14 - Post: **The clerk** to add CAPEG/Go Daddy payments to the agenda for June
Village hall hire charge confirmed as £15 per meeting.



Natalie Heath 6th May 2023