

# **Cold Ashby Parish Council**

**A meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd April 2024 at 7.30 pm  
at Cold Ashby Pavilion.**

**Councillors are summoned to attend this meeting of the Parish Council.**  
**Members of the public and press are invited to attend.**

## **Agenda**

**Present:** to record the presence of Cold Ashby Parish Councillors, Officers, members of external authorities and others in official attendance at the meeting.

**Interests:** Members' attention is drawn to the need to disclose pecuniary interests not already registered before any relevant agenda item.

**24.4.1 - Apologies:** to receive and consider apologies for absence.

**24.4.2 - Clerk:** Appointment of the new Clerk.

**24.4.3 - Minutes:** to approve minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 6th March 2024.

**24.4.4 - Matters arising:** to note for information only any relevant matter arising from the approved minutes.

**24.4.5 - Open forum:** to receive and discuss matters raised by members of the public present at the meeting.

**24.4.6 – Parish Council Noticeboard:** to review village event postings on the PC noticeboard.

**24.4.7 – Accounts:** Members are asked to approve the attached accounts for April and authorise the payments contained in them. Details of payments and the new balance are reported in Annex 1, a copy of which will be emailed to members in advance of the meeting. The balance reported at the March meeting was **£22,635.73** (£13,919.43 current and £8,716.30 investment).

**24.4.8 - Planning Application:** 2023/7752/LBC Home Farm Church Lane Cold Ashby NN6 6EG – Listed building consent for damp proofing to walls.

**24.4.9 – Memorial inscription:** members are asked to review the request for an additional inscription to an existing memorial.

**24.4.10 – DCK Payroll charges:** Members are asked to note an increase in payroll processing charges.

**24.4.11 - Community Heartbeat Defib:** The defib requires a new battery at a cost of £210.00 + £12.50 delivery + VAT.

**24.4.12 - May AGM:** to agree the date for the May AGM.

**24.4.13 - 59/60 Bus:** to receive an update.

**24.4.14 – Environment:** to discuss and agree actions relating to any environment matters (public rights of way, community assets/spaces etc)

**24.4.15 - Verbal Reports:** from council representatives on other bodies.

**24.4.16 - Post:** to note and/or discuss items of correspondence with the Council not considered elsewhere on the agenda.

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

**Natalie Heath 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

# **Cold Ashby Parish Council**

**Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7.30pm**  
**at Cold Ashby Village Hall.**

## **Minutes**

**Present:** Councillors Roper, Harpham, RD Williams, RL Williams, Bailey, Peel  
5 members of the public.

This meeting was recorded by the council and a member of the public.

Meeting started: 19:30

Meeting ended: 20:38

**24.03.1 - Apologies:** Cllr Taylor – approved.

**24.03.2 - Minutes:** It was resolved to **approve** minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

**24.03.3 - Matters arising:** none.

**24.03.4 - Open forum:**

Representations were made on the following:

- Planning application 2024/0658/FULL.
- The Black Horse public house.
- 59/60 Bus.
- The Parish Council supporting the village.

\*Due to public attendance at the meeting the chairman moved to item 7 of the agenda before returning to item 5.

**24.03.5 – Parish Council Noticeboard:** film only.

**24.03.6 – Accounts:** It was resolved to **approve** the accounts for March.

**24.03.7 – Planning applications:**

**Pebble Cottage, Church Lane. 2024/0658/FULL:**

Cllr Bailey commented on previous photographic evidence of a double sided fence and questioned whether the access path is owned. Cllr Bailey also commented regarding positioning of windows and whether this would cause neighbouring properties to be overlooked.

Cllr Harpham supported the observations made by Highways in relation to the application, this comment was supported by all councillors present.

Cllr Roper raised access concerns, covering an existing manhole, the height of the building and whether the development was in front of the building line. Cllr Roper also observed the application stated there was no off road parking, which is not correct.

**It was resolved** that **the clerk** will formulate a response and circulate to councillors via email for approval before sending to WNC.

**Cedars Farm, Thornby Road. 2024/0615/FULL:**

Cllr Bailey made observations on the alteration to the road access and the properties in the revised plans being more attractive.

Cllr Harpham observed the revised plans will dismantle an old property.

**It was resolved** that **the clerk** will communicate “no observations” to WNC.

**24.03.8 – Replacement of Clerk:** 3 candidates to be interviewed 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

**24.03.9 – 59/60 Bus:** Cllr Roper has received requests from the village to consider supporting the bus service to Market Harborough one day per week (Friday). A cost estimate has been obtained at £742.56. **It was resolved** to authorise this expenditure from the Special Projects budget.

**24.03.10 - Traffic & Accidents:** Cllr RD Williams attended a meeting with Cllr Kevin Parker and Highways regarding traffic and accident issues, particularly on main street to the A5199. Carriageway issues, water on the road, speed limits, traffic direction and inadequate signage were discussed.

Agreed actions:

Gulley to be cleared to reduce water on the road.

Grips to be recut on the road out of Cold Ashby to the A5199.

Chevrons to be replaced and an additional Chevron to be sited.

Bend warning sign to be sited.

SLOW road marking to be added.

Lines to be re-painted – edge and centre.

Pot hole to be fixed.

Consider an application to the speed panel to reduce speed to 20mph.

**24.03.11 - West Northants Local Plan: Parish Engagement – It was resolved** that the Chairman and clerk would compose a response and share with councillors to review and approve offline. **The clerk** to recirculate email with attachments.

**24.03.12 – Environment:**

WNC street sweeper has been to the village as requested. **The clerk** to make a note to request in September (after harvest) and March (after frost) every year.

Motocross at J1 of A5199 – residents are encouraged to keep reporting instances of anti social behaviour to Northants Police either online or by calling 101.

Litter Pick: Councillors are suggesting a village litter pick. **The clerk** to confirm whether regular collections can be arranged.

**24.03.13 - Verbal Reports:**

Village Hall: Council was updated that the village hall accounts are improving.

CAPFA: AGM scheduled for the last Tuesday of the month. CAPFA are looking for a treasurer or bookkeeper.

**24.03.14 - Post:** none.



Natalie Heath 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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### Apr-24

Date	Account	Category	Desc	Credit/Debit	£	VAT	Total
01/03/2024	Main	Opening Balance		-	£13,919.43	£ -	£13,919.43
01/03/2024	Savings	Opening Balance		-	£ 8,716.30	£ -	£ 8,716.30
18/03/2024	Main	Consumables/IT	Ionos - Domain (via Clerk)	Debit	£ 3.60	£ 0.60	-£ 3.60
29/02/2024	Savings	Interest		Credit	£ 10.04	£ -	£ 10.04
25/03/2024	Main	Clerks Salary/PAYE	Salary (Jan, Feb, Mar)	Debit	£ 475.80	£ -	-£ 475.80
25/03/2024	Main	HMRC	PAYE Tax	Debit	£ 316.80	£ -	-£ 316.80
25/03/2024	Main	Clerks Salary/PAYE	DCK - Payroll Lite October - December	Debit	£ 18.00	£ 3.00	-£ 18.00
18/03/2024	Main	Consumables/IT	Spanglefish (Website) via Clerk	Debit	£ 39.95	£ -	-£ 39.95
19/03/2024	Main	Cemetery Rates	J Stamp & Sons - inscription	Credit	£ 25.00	£ -	£ 25.00

Above payments authorised:

Clerk  
Councillor  
Councillor

Main Account  
Savings account  
Month Balance

£13,090.28  
£ 8,726.34  
£21,816.62

Date:





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*Michael John Wright*

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**Date**

19-03-2024