



Parish News

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Tribute to the late Councillor John Ades

It is with deep sadness that I write this tribute for John who died suddenly of a heart attack on 2 June 2006.

The Parish Council has been overwhelmed by the number of tributes paid to him.

John had been a Parish Councillor since 1967 and was first elected to Guildford Borough Council in 1973. In 2001 he was elected a Surrey County Councillor.

A local man, born and bred, he lived in the same house in Oxenden Road for over 60 years.

John cared passionately about his local community and took great pride in representing it at all levels of local government. His commitment and dedication to public service continued throughout most of his adult life. John was known throughout the villages of Ash & Tongham. He was "Mr Ash".

There are so many people who have been helped, in some way, by John, or knew someone that he had helped. John will be irreplaceable.

John served as Chairman of Ash Parish Council from 1987 to 1990. He was deeply honoured and immensely proud to be elected as Mayor of Guildford in 1986. John carried out his civic duties with his customary friendliness and dignity.

For many years John chaired Guildford Borough Council's licensing committee and up to May of this year he was the Lead member of the Executive for Community Safety. In this role, John clearly demonstrated his commitment to all residents of the borough, showing great integrity in the way he built close working partnerships with different agencies, but especially with Surrey Police.

As a County Councillor, John became recognised for his unique talents and as a result he chaired the National Health Service (NHS) Scrutiny and Review panel, keeping a watchful and conscientious eye on health service provision both locally in Ash and across the whole of Surrey.

On a personal note, I will, without doubt, miss John's invaluable support and advice on local issues. His breadth of knowledge acquired over the many years of loyal public service was outstanding. I shall also miss his immense dignity and integrity and of course his remarkable wit and wicked sense of humour. John's untimely death will be a great loss to the Parish Council and more extensively to the wider community. He will be sadly missed, by all those who knew him and also by those whose lives he touched.

Cllr Nigel Manning
Chairman Ash Parish Council



ASH MUSEUM OFFICIAL OPENING



*Ash Museum will be officially opened by Michael Gove MP
9 September 2006 at noon.*

The idea of using the Ash Cemetery Chapel as a museum was first mooted in the 1970s. Objects and papers have been collected for display ever since, but over the years the fabric of the chapel deteriorated, the roof leaked and the stone crumbled. Now the building has been beautifully restored. The Museum trustees, all volunteers, have been working on the project for over six years and signed a 25 years lease in January this year.

Ash & District Museum Society was set up in 2002. Membership costs just £5 per year for the whole family, and members receive our newsletters three times a year. If you would like to support the museum by becoming a member please send your subscription to us c/o Ash Parish Council Offices, Ash Centre, Ash Hill Road, Ash GU12 5DP. Cheques should be payable to "Ash & District Museum Society".

Ash Museum is in the Cemetery Chapel in Ash Cemetery. Open 3rd Sunday each month 2 - 4.30pm.

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS 2006

Ash Museum will be open

Saturday 9 September 2 - 4 pm

Sunday 10 September 2 - 4 pm

View the displays in this local
history museum covering

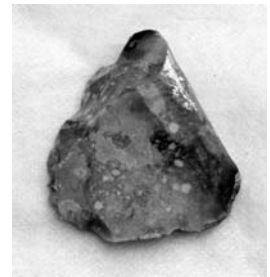
Ash, Ash Vale, Ash Green
and Tongham

Free Admission



Free entry.

To book group
visits phone Brian
Perry on 01252
542341.



HERITAGE OPEN DAYS 2006

Special Archaeology Event

Sunday 10 September 2 - 4 pm
at Ash Museum

Come and meet Abby Guinness of the Surrey County Archaeological Unit who will be here to show you archaeological objects found in Surrey through the ages.

Have you found artefacts in your garden, whilst out walking or with your metal detector?

Bring your archaeological finds along to Ash Museum to show David Williams of the Portable Antiquities Scheme who will identify and record them on the national database.

Let's put Ash on the archaeology map!

Free Admission



Beavers & Cubs

are coming back to
Harpers Recreation Ground
for boys & girls 6 - 10 years old
for more information on
2nd Ash Scout Group
please call Alan Norris on:
01252 315967

News Update

Improvements to Ash Centre - The tiles to the side of the Ash Centre have now been removed (due to continued vandalism) and replaced by rendering.

CILCA - The Clerk of the Council has now qualified in the Certificate in Local Council Administration. This qualification is a major criteria required for the Council to achieve Quality Status for which they will now be applying .

Ash In Bloom

Over the past few years the number of hanging baskets displayed in the parish has increased, and this year sees the inclusion of Vale Road in this very popular scheme.

Our thanks go to the Council's ground staff without whose good ideas and hard work, the excellent standard achieved could not be maintained.

The Council would like to say a big thank you to the following businesses that have sponsored hanging baskets through the parish this year:

- Wheelers Solicitors, Vale House, Wharf Road, Ash
- The Swan, Heathvale Bridge Road, Ash Vale
- K & S Hair Studio, 7 The Parade, Wharf Road, Ash
- Vale Furnishings, Wharf Road, Ash Vale
- Advanced Preservations, 2 Station Approach, Ash Vale
- Ash, CAB, The Ash Centre, Ash Hill Road, Ash
- Dover Garage, Guildford Road, Ash
- Pat's Off License, 10-12 Vale Road, Ash Vale
- The Hot Oven, The Parade, Wharf Road, Ash
- Mitchell & Partners, 1 Station Approach, Ash Vale

ASH PARISH COUNCILLORS



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Vacancy (*due to sad death of Cllr John Ades*)

Ash Vale Ward

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Ash Wharf Ward

Cllr Mrs Ann Graham, Beau Vallon, Ravenscroft Close, Ash, Surrey, GU12 6BW, Tel: 01252 329670
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Play Park Improvements

The Council is responsible for providing and maintaining a number of recreational play areas and is always trying to improve these facilities, whilst being mindful of the costs.

In order to apply for grant funding from other agencies, public consultation is required so your views are important to the Council.



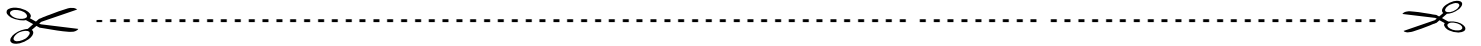
Existing play area - Harpers Recreation Ground

The Council's priorities are to make significant improvements at Harpers Recreation Ground which at present only has a small play area suitable for teenagers. The field area is used regularly by various football teams.

The options the Council is considering are set out below.

We value your views, so please tick the boxes and let us have what your views. When you have completed the questionnaire, please return the tear off slip to the Clerk of the Council at the parish offices in the Ash Centre.

Finally, thank you for helping us improve our village.



	Yes	No	Do not Know
1. Leave the play area as it is	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Leave the football field & surrounding green area as it is	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Install new multi-play equipment (age 4 - 10 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Install 1/2 ball court, basket ball hoop, kickwall and goal mouth area (age 11 - 18 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Both 3 & 4 above.			

Please add any other suggestions you may have to improve this area in the space below. *(Name and Address is optional).*

Name: _____

Address: _____



Possible new equipment