## Surrey Association of Local Councils (SALC) – Annual Report 2015-2016

SALC continues to provide valuable advice and training to Council Clerks, Officers and Councillors from Parish and Town Councils across the region, along with the National Association of Local Councils (NALC). SALC Website: <a href="https://www.surreyalc.org.uk">www.surreyalc.org.uk</a>

Ash Parish Council is a member of SALC and NALC through subscription. This costs Ash Parish Council £1650 a year (SALC) and £884.80 a year (NALC).

I attended a new Councillor event, which I found useful and informative and learnt that they are a body you can refer to for advice and that the true value of SALC would most likely be realised when Ash Parish Council no longer subscribed.

SALC host an annual AGM which invites many different speakers to talk about plans and initiatives for Surrey & Sussex covering all aspects of councils including policy on flood and community support, devolution and how less is more when it comes to road signage.

SALC continues to run Surrey Local Council Forum meetings, Chair and Clerk's briefings and Networking events and I believe Ash Parish Council continue to see value from the annual costs of subscription.

**CIIr John Tonks Ash Parish Council Representative at SALC**