

160. Bank Reconciliation (agenda item 6).

Members considered and agreed bank reconciliations as at 28 February 2018 (month 10).

161. Ash Parish Council Investments (agenda item 6)

Members considered and reviewed the CCLA Local Authorities Property Fund investment as required by Ash Parish Council's Investment Strategy and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the 4.56% interest rate was still a very good return and that the investment would continue.

162. Grants of Cemetery Rights (agenda item 8).

Authorisation was given for the issue of Grants of Exclusive Rights in respect of Burials:

Deed No.	Deed Applicant	Grave Space
1604	D Knight	K 700
1605	R Talhar	L 90

163. Application to Erect a Tool Shed at Shawfield Road Allotments (agenda item 9)

Members considered a request has been received from the plot holder of No. 29 Shawfield Road Allotments for the erection of a tool shed and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the application be approved subject to it being within the permitted size limits.

164. Multifunctioning Device (agenda item 10)

Members considered the report, deferred from the last meeting on 26 February 2018 Minute No. 149, to review the upgrade of the current printer, copier and scanner machine and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that Option 1 be agreed and the current Toshiba multifunctioning device be replaced with a Kyocera 3252ci. Current costs of £1019 per quarter will be reduced to £815 per quarter.

165. Security Contractor (agenda item 11)

Members considered PSK Limited's revised charges from 1 May 2018 as set out in their letter dated 11 March 2018. PSK Ltd. has also confirmed that they will not be renewing their sponsorship of the Greyhound Roundabout and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the Council is satisfied with the service provided by PSK Ltd. to date and although there is a substantial increase in the charges proposed, the rate had not increased for fourteen years. An alternative sponsor would be sought for the Greyhound Roundabout.

166. Business Waste Services 2018/19 (agenda item 12)

Members noted Guildford Borough Council's new prices for the Ash Centre waste and recycling services from 1 April 2018. The refuse charges for 2017/18 were £1,674. The charges for 2018/19 will be £1,742, a 4.06% increase on the current year. The annual Duty of Care cost is also increasing from £19.50 + VAT to £20.67 + VAT.

Item noted.

Members noted Guildford Borough Council's new prices for the Ash Cemetery waste and recycling services from 1 April 2018. The refuse charges for 2017/18 were £837.20. The charges for 2018/19 will be £871, a 4.037% increase on the current year. The annual Duty of Care cost is also increasing from £19.50 + VAT to £20.67 + VAT.

Item noted.

167. Street Lighting Quote for LED Lanterns (agenda item 13)

Members considered a quote from Prime One Maintenance for new LED Lanterns and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the quote in the sum of £24,999.00 + VAT be agreed as the investment will ensure the street lamps are programmable, more energy efficient and will reduce the electricity bills and overall running costs.

168. Application for Funding – Safe Drive Stay Alive (agenda item 14)

Members considered a funding request for Surrey County Council's "Safe Drive Stay Alive" initiative and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the request be declined as there is no direct benefit to Ash residents.

169. Application for Funding – Samson Centre for Multiple Sclerosis (agenda item 15)

Members considered a funding request from Samson Centre for Multiple Sclerosis and it was

Recommended upon consideration that the request be as there is no direct benefit to Ash residents.

170. 28 July 2018 Music Festival (agenda item 16)

Members considered the charges for the 2018 Music Festival at Harpers Recreation Ground and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the Clerk writes to the organiser to outline a hire arrangement whereby the charges for the 2018 Music Festival be waived if the hirer accepts that 50% of any funds raised at the event will be paid to Ash Parish Council to be distributed to local charities.

171. SCC Local/Joint Committee Consultation (agenda item 17)

The Leader of Surrey County Council, David Hodge has recently announced a review of the local/joint committees to better shape the council's services around places and communities and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the survey which was completed during the meeting be submitted on behalf of the Parish Council.

172. NALC LCC Governance Review Consultation (agenda item 18)

The National Association of Local Council's Larger Councils' Committee (NALC LCC) was asked by the Association's Management Board in January 2018 to undertake a governance review in 2018. The survey is available until 17:00 on Tuesday 3 April 2018 for comments and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the survey be circulated to all Councillors following the meeting for them to complete individually.

173. General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) (agenda item 19)

Members noted further information received in respect of the GDPR and that the first meeting of the Working Group had met at 4pm. Cllr Andrew Gomm had been elected as Chairman. The Working Group discussed the implications and actions required to comply with the new regulations that will come into effect on 25 May 2018. The date of the next Working Group meeting is Monday 9 April 2018 and information will be submitted to the Full Council meeting in May.

Item noted.

174. South East Water – Draft Water Resources Management Plan Consultation (agenda item 20)

Members considered information received from South East Water in respect of the 12 week consultation on the draft Water Resources Management Plan and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that Councillor Bill Cole be asked to review the consultation and report to the meeting to be held 23 April 2018.

SLCC Devolution Survey (agenda item 21)

Members noted the Devolution Survey issued by the Society for Local Council Clerks, closing date 6 April 2018.

Item noted.

175. Events Working Group (agenda item 22)

Members noted the minutes of the Event Working Group held on 21 February 2018 as at appendix A.

Item noted.

176 Correspondence (*agenda item 23*)

There was no correspondence to report.

177. Date of next meeting (*agenda item 24*)

The date of the next meeting is Monday 23 April 2018 commencing at 7.00pm or following the close of the Planning Committee meeting, if this is later.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

Chairman: _____

Date: _____

APPENDIX A

ASH PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Events Working Group
held on Wednesday 21 February 2018 at the Ash Centre
commencing at 3.00pm**

Present:	Cllr John Tonks	✓
	Cllr Nigel Manning	A
	Cllr Mrs Marsha Moseley	A
	Cllr Mrs Pat Scott	A
	Carole Olive	✓
	Graham Bidwell	A
	Richard Tolley	✓
	Jo Packman	A

Lesley Telford attended the meeting in the absence of Jo Packman.

1. Apologies for Absence (*agenda item 1*)

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Nigel Manning, Cllr Mrs Marsha Moseley, Cllr Mrs Pat Scott, Graham Bidwell and Jo Packman.

2. Receive Declarations of Interest (*agenda item 2*)

There were no declarations of interest to report.

3. Confirmation of Minutes (*agenda item 3*)

The minutes of the Events Working Group Meeting held on Wednesday 17 January 2017 were confirmed and signed by Cllr John Tonks.

4. 2018 Events (*agenda item 4*)

i) Village Fete – Saturday 14 July 2018

Graham Bidwell's notes confirmed that the schools and churches have been notified of the date of the Fete. No responses had been received.

Cllr Mrs Pat Scott had advised that the plate smashing stall had confirmed and that she would be contacting the Scouts re assistance on the day.

On behalf of the AAVT wardens, Lesley Telford suggested a competition for schools to design a tea towel using a WW1 theme. The tea towels could then be sold at the Fete to raise funds.

Graham Bidwell's notes stated the stall letters would be issued w/c 26 February 2018 and it was re-iterated that Reverend Neil Lambert's letter suggests he makes a charge for his pancakes as giving them away for free is having an adverse effect on other stall holders.

The schedule for the Flower, Vegetable, Craft and Baking Show will be drafted and sent to all working group members for comment as this can then be issued with the stall letters.

Farnborough Rotary have confirmed that they will run the BBQ.

Radio Frimley Park have been booked and the deposit paid.

The Hogs Back Brewery have been contacted but there has been no response to date. Richard Tolley asked for Graham Bidwell to update him and he will visit the Brewery to chase this up.

There had been previous mention of moving the position of the beer tent for 2018, but after discussion it was suggested that plans should go ahead with the beer tent in the same position as 2017. This may be amended at a later meeting.

Richard Tolley gave a list of entertainments that had attended the Donkey Derby in 2017 for possible attendance at the Village Fete 2018:

Rockwall Dog display Team
Millers Ark
Reading Scottish Pipe band
The Zany Professor

Carole Olive had submitted the application form for St John Ambulance first aid cover at the event.

Cllr John Tonks suggested a children's entertainer for the central arena with activities that would encourage children to take part.

ii) Remembrance Sunday

Fr Keith Bristow has requested a meeting to consider a special service to commemorate the Centenary of the end of the First World War, especially as Remembrance Sunday falls on Armistice Day, 11 November 2018.

It was agreed that Fr Keith Bristow, Rvd Neil Lambert and Fr Robin Farrow be invited to a future Events Working group meeting to discuss this further.

It is to be noted that the hedges should be kept at a low height and that poppies should be available for purchase at the top of the hill.

Five additional Silent Soldiers have been ordered and the sponsorship signs have been received.

iii) Fantasia 2018 – Saturday 1 December 2018

Carole Olive has submitted the application forms for St John Ambulance first aid cover at the Centre and Ash Wharf.

iv) Ash in Bloom 2018

Graham Bidwell had produced a breakdown of entries to enable the Working Group to consider the viability of the competition. As the number of self-entries and nominations outweighed the number of automatic entries of previous participants it was agreed that Ash in Bloom would continue in 2018.

A date for the presentation evening is to be arranged.

Posters and website advertising to be actioned as soon as possible.

v) Other Events 2018

Fund raising events for plaques at the Lochnagar Crater were suggested by Lesley Telford on behalf of the AAVT Wardens:

a) A Raft Race – community groups to make their rafts and dress in WWI clothing and race along the Basingstoke Canal. It was recognised that Health and safety matters may well rule this out.

b) A Walking Treasure Hunt – two different routes to be used around the village/parish, one shorter route and one longer route. An entry fee to be charged to raise funds.

Clues to be placed at various points, with the answers to the clues making one overall answer.

The longer route could take in the Museum which would give this added publicity.

Refreshment stops along the way could be run by other organisations making this a community event.

While discussing the Treasure Hunt it was suggested that a similar event for children could be run at the Village Fete.

c) The Tea Towel Competition as discussed as part of the Village Fete suggestions.

It was suggested that the shops in the village be encouraged to dress their windows commemorating the centenary of the end of WW1.

Band Concert: Graham Bidwell has ascertained that the Friary Guildford Brass Band had the dates of 17 November 2018 and 15 December 2018 available. A further date of 8 December 2018 could not be accommodated due to a Centre booking. It was generally felt that 15 December was too close to Christmas, and that Graham should be asked to book the Band for a 17 November concert, but it should be stressed that this should not be a Carol Concert.

Cllr John Tonks suggested looking into lighting options to create a better atmosphere in the main hall.

6. Date of Next Meeting (agenda item 6)

The date of the next meeting is on Wednesday 21 March 2018 at 3:00pm.

The meeting closed at 3:47pm

Signed

Date