



Ash Matters

The Ash Parish Council Newsletter

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Outdoor Fitness Equipment Consultation

Ash Parish Council has been asked as to whether it would be possible to provide outdoor fitness equipment for residents use? We are therefore asking residents for their views on this suggestion and we would like as many residents as possible to provide their thoughts and comments on this idea. If the installation were to proceed, it is anticipated that grant funding would be found to assist with the cost of the purchase and installation.

The outdoor fitness equipment under consideration is designed to be permanently installed outdoors, and it offers similar exercise and work out opportunities to those available in a gym or health club. This type of equipment is increasingly being introduced in parks and playing fields throughout the country.

One of the main benefits of this equipment is that it is suitable for all ages above 13 years and all abilities. It can be used casually or as the basis for a serious fitness workout. Two or more people can use the equipment at the same time, so friends can work out together.



Outdoor fitness equipment in use



Outdoor fitness equipment in use

Some of the benefits of this equipment is that there are no joining or membership fees, (indoor gyms can be intimidating), they are eco friendly, you can exercise on your own or with a group, it offers a chance to exercise all the major muscle groups and also acts as a community focal point for social interaction amongst friends and between different age groups.

As mentioned, Ash Parish Council would like to gauge local interest in this type of equipment and would like your opinion/comments to the following questions;

- Would you use this type of equipment?
- Do you support the installation of this type of equipment?
- What type of equipment would you like to see installed?
- Where would you like to see the installation of this type of equipment?



Some of the many types of Outdoor fitness equipment available

ment?

- Do you have any further comments?

Please send your opinions and comments to
The Ash Centre, Ash Hill Road, Ash, Surrey
GU12 5DP or [e-mail office@ashpcsurrey.gov.uk](mailto:office@ashpcsurrey.gov.uk)

PLEASE DO HAVE YOUR SAY

Chairman's Bit



On behalf of the staff and Councillors at Ash Parish Council may I wish you all a Happy New Year.

2014 was a busy year for Ash. On a sunny day in July we had Fun Day which brought many residents to the recreation ground to support many of our local charities and organisations.

In August, to commemorate the start of the First World War, there was a service of rededication of the War Memorial in Ash Hill Road. This was attended by the Mayor of Guildford along with friends and family of those who lived in Ash and who gave their lives in war and are remembered on the War Memorial.

In November the Remembrance Sunday Parade took place and there are a few people I would like to especially thank. Ewan McDermott the Piper who led the parade, Tim Edwards our Parade Marshall who made sure we were all in the right place at the right time and Wendy Brett and the North East Hampshire Area School Band for providing the music.

Christmas Fantasia was held at the end of November when Father Christmas arrived to switch on the Christmas tree lights in Wharf Road. Again I need to thank a few people for making this event such a success. Bridges Estate Agents for supplying the electricity to the tree lights, Mike Duffy's Budgen's for the mince pies and the Ash Vale Ensemble and Churches Together for the music and singing. There are many others who contributed to the success of the event and especially all those local businesses and organisation who generously supplied donations for the tombola, please see the separate list below.

The final event of the year was in December when the Friary Guildford Brass Band paid their second visit to the Ash Centre. This award winning band delivered a Christmas themed programme in aid of the Shooting Star Chase Children's Hospice. My thanks go to Chis King the conductor for his unique presentation style and to the Ash and Blackwater Valley Rotary Club for generously sponsoring the event and providing support on the evening.

Councillor Nigel Manning
Chairman, Ash Parish Council

Christmas Fantasia 2014



Ash Wharf - Switching on of the Christmas Tree Lights

As Nigel mentions above we would like to thank all of the following business's who generously donated items for the Ash Parish Council tombola at this years Christmas Fantasia;

Ash Hill WI, Carriages Café, Citizens Advice Service, Coffee and Crumbs, Co-operative Stores, Galaxy Hair Studios, Geared Up, Hampshire Metalcraft, Happy Garden Takeaway, Indian Hut, K & S Hair Studios, Lloyds Pharmacy, Mackenzie Smith Estate Agents, Magic Signs, Mitchell and Partners, Nails Beauty, One Stop Stores, Party Plus, Phyllis Tuckwell Charity Shop, RSPCA Charity Shop, Simply Play, Spice of India, Surrey Tackle Exchange, Taste of India, Tesco Express, Tom Collins, The Dover Garage, The Forge Works, The Greyhound Public House, The Lion

Brewery, The Optical Centre, The Swan, Tilthams Garage, Vale Furnishers, Vale Veterinary Practice, Vale Café.



1st Ash Vale Scout Group Fund Raising Quiz Night



Come and join us for some post Christmas fun!

Saturday 7th February 2015 - 7.30pm to 10.30pm

The Ash Centre, Ash Hill Road, Ash, Surrey
£9 a person also includes a free game of "Heads or Tails" and
also a Ploughman's Supper and pud - bring your own drink

For tick-
01252 315126
[1stash-](mailto:1stash-@gmail.com)

Form your own team of 6 or let us introduce you to others

ets phone
or email:

valescoutgroup@gmail.com

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Street Lighting



*A 5 metre steel column with a 70Watt Riga
Lantern*

The street light outside your home has failed; who should you contact? The simple answer is Ash Parish Council on 01252 328287 or by e-mail office@ashpcsurrey.gov.uk. Ash Parish Council can then progress the fault with the relevant contractors.

When reporting a lighting fault to Ash Parish Council please advise the name of the street in which the column is situated, a location (for example, outside number 22) and where possible the column number detailed on the actual column. This will allow us to identify the owner of the actual light, who could be Ash Parish Council, Surrey County Council or possibly one of the Housing Associations.

The Council's lighting contractor is also currently applying a unique three digit number to all of the Parish Councils street lights.

Currently the Council own and maintain, just over 600 street lights and these basically come in three types of lighting column; 5 metre concrete columns, 5 or 6 metre steel columns or lanterns which are poles generally attached to telegraph poles. The Council are currently in the process of upgrading all of the old concrete column to new steel columns.

A trial has also recently been undertaken with regard to using a more energy efficient LED lantern and as this newsletter is being prepared for printing the results of the trial are under consideration by the Council.



*A LED street light similar to the ones trialled by Ash parish
Council*

Section 1 – Accounting statements 2013/14 for

Enter name of reporting body here:

ASH PARISH COUNCIL

Council/Meeting

Readers should note that throughout this annual return references to a 'local council' or 'council' also relate to a parish meeting.

		Year ending		Notes and guidance
		31 March 2013 £	31 March 2014 £	
		Please round all figures to nearest £1. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to underlying financial records.		
1	Balances brought forward	594,287	687,479	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2	(+) Annual precept	392,911	357,844	Total amount of precept received or receivable in the year.
3	(+) Total other receipts	173,208	239,481	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept received (line 2). Include any grants received here.
4	(-) Staff costs	208,809	205,750 00	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include salaries and wages, PAYE and NI (employees and employers), pension contributions and employment expenses.
5	(-) Loan interest/capital repayments	8,412	8,053	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the council's borrowings (if any).
6	(-) All other payments	255,706	242,523	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7	(=) Balances carried forward	687,479	828,478	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) – (4+5+6)
8	Total cash and short term investments	692,175	834,414	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – to agree with bank reconciliation.
9	Total fixed assets plus other long term investments and assets	3,208,622	3,251,179	The original Asset and Investment Register value of all fixed assets, plus other long term assets owned by the council as at 31 March
10	Total borrowings	46,160	40,400	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).
11	Disclosure note	yes	no	The council acts as sole trustee for and is responsible for managing trust funds or assets. The figures in the accounting statements above do not include any trust transactions.
	Trust funds (including charitable)	Yes	Yes	

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2014 the accounting statements in this annual return present fairly the financial position of the council and its income and expenditure, or properly present receipts and payments, as the case may be.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer

Robert De

Date 16/04/2014

I confirm that these accounting statements were approved by the council on this date:

12/05/2014

and recorded as minute reference:

MINUTE 16

Signed by Chair of the meeting approving these accounting statements.

N. Manning

Date 23/06/2014

Ash Parish Council Meetings 2015/16

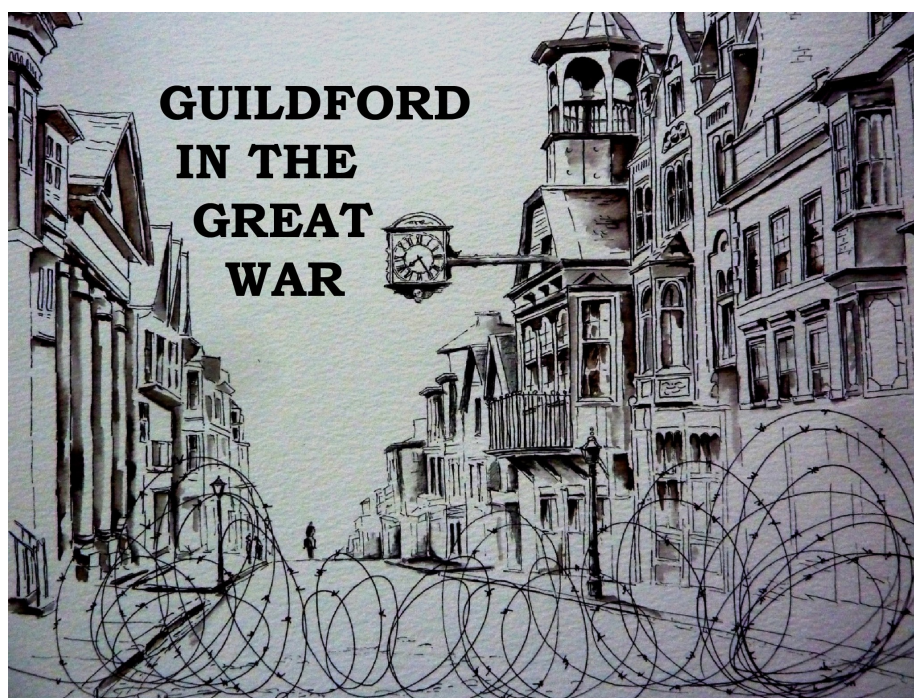
07 May 2015	Parish Elections
13 May 2015 (Wednesday) <i>Summons/agenda to be published no later than Friday 8 May 2015</i>	Planning /Annual Meeting of the Council
18 May 2015	Amenities
26 May 2015 (Tuesday)	Planning/Finance and Administration
08 June 2015	Planning/Council
15 June 2015	Amenities
22 June 2015	Planning/Finance and Administration
13 July 2015	Planning/Council
20 July 2015	Amenities
27 July 2015	Planning/Finance and Administration
10 August 2015	Planning
24 August 2015	Planning
14 September 2015	Planning/Council
21 September 2015	Amenities
28 September 2015	Planning/Finance and Administration
12 October 2015	Planning/Council
19 October 2015	Amenities
26 October 2015	Planning/Finance and Administration
09 November 2015	Planning/Council
16 November 2015	Amenities
23 November 2015	Planning/Finance and Administration
14 December 2015	Planning/Council
21 December 2015	Amenities
11 January 2016	Planning/Council
18 January 2016	Amenities
25 January 2016	Planning/Finance and Administration
08 February 2016	Planning/Council
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2015 Elections



Just a reminder that a General Election and Local Borough and Parish Council elections will take place on May 7th this year. To be able to vote in these and any other elections you need to be on the Electoral Roll. Under the new system of Individual Electoral Registration (IER) introduced in June 2014, anyone can register to vote. For more information on the types of election and how to register to vote, please visit the Government website www.gov.uk.

Guildford in the Great War



Circle Eight Film Group in conjunction with Ash Parish Council will be showing a New Film Documentary at the Ash Centre on Saturday 7th March.

This documentary marks the start of the First World War, and shows how many aspects of Guildford's everyday life changed as the town was placed on a war footing between 1914 and 1918. The film also recalls the 500 men from Guildford, who enlisted for service on the Western Front and never returned to their home town.

In August 1914, Guildford changed almost overnight as young men were dragooned into active service in Flanders, and

Guildford was put on a war footing.

One officer from Guildford, Alfred Victor Smith, was the first soldier to be awarded a Victoria Cross in the conflict. During the conflict many local mansions were turned into War Hospitals. The Fifth Earl of Onslow gave up his home at Clandon Park, put his wife Violet in charge of the Hospital as commandant, while he went off to France as a serving officer. Between 1914 and 1919 over 5,000 were treated there with many arriving in the middle of the night by special ambulance trains at Clandon Station.

At least a dozen young men from Guildford's Falcon Road who had never really been anywhere in their lives enlisted in August 1914, thinking that it would over by Christmas! They never returned.

To discover more about Guildford in the Great War come along to the Ash Centre (this is another first for Ash Parish Council), to watch this Documentary.

At the time of this newsletter going to press the final details were still to be arranged, so please do visit our web site www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk (and look out for the posters around the Parish) during February. Or as always contact Ash Parish Council 01252 328287 or e-mail office@ashpcsurrey.gov.uk for more information.

Ash and Blackwater Valley Rotary Club



Members of the Ash and Blackwater Valley Rotary Club and the Community Street Team collection volunteers

On behalf of the Ash and Blackwater Valley Christmas float collection volunteers and the Community Street Team, we would like to thank all of the residents from Grange Farm Road through to Longacre and Manfield Road, as well as residents from Oaklea all the way through to Wentworth Crescent areas for your generous donations. A total of nearly £900 was raised and will be distributed to local charities in our area.

We also thank all those residents who donated a total of £130 at the Ash Parish Council Christmas Fantasia

If you would like to know more or could be interested in joining the Ash & Blackwater

Valley Rotary Club, a small group of friendly people who meet at the Ash Parish Centre on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, please contact Andy Paterson 01252 520112.

Once again a very big thank you to all those who donated.

Were you as member of the Ash Cadets?



The photo is a picture of the Ash Cadets, "F" Company 5th Cadet Battalion the Queens Royal Regiment, Camp Cup winners in 1947. The Ash Cadets headquarters was in a wooden hut on the common opposite the Victoria Hall.

An undated newspaper cutting in the Ash Museum records that the Battalion Cup for the best all-round company in camp was presented at the formal opening of the headquarters by Major-General Joseph Baillon, GOC Aldershot Command. Major General Baillon formally examined the headquarters and took the salute at the

month past, and the event was attended by Sir Robert Haining and many other notables. Assistant Instructors from the Army Physical Training Staff of the Airbourne Establishments gave a display, and in the evening the cadets held a dance at the Victoria Hall.

Were you a member of the Ash Cadets? If you were Ash Museum would be very interested in your memories. Please either contact the museum on ash.museum@ntlworld.com or drop any material off at the Ash Centre, in Ash Hill Road.

Dates for your 2015 Diary

Ash in Bloom Judging, during July

Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service, Sunday 8th November

Christmas Fantasia, Saturday 28th November

As always, full details of these and any other events will be printed in *Ash Matters*, The Ash Parish Magazine, and published on the Council Website, www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk/Council/Events

Further information can also be obtained by telephoning 01252 328287

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Contact Numbers

999 or 112 - For all emergencies
101 - Report a non emergency crime to Surrey Police

Neighbourhood Panel Meetings

The next Police Neighbourhood Panel meetings for:

[Ash Wharf](#) take place at the **Ash Centre, Ash Hill Road, Ash.**

[Ash South & Tongham](#) take place at **St. Pauls Church of England School, Eastside, Tongham.**

[Ash Vale](#) take place at **St. Mary's Church, Vale Road, Ash Vale.**

For up to date information and dates please visit:
<http://www.surrey.police.uk/my-neighbourhood>

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Christmas Fantasia

Saturday 28th November

Other Events

Watch this newsletter and also refer to
www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk for news of any other events

Recycling Sites

Recycling in Ash Parish is handled by Guildford Borough Council. There is an extensive section on recycling on the following webpage: <http://www.guildford.gov.uk/guildfordweb/environment/recycling>.

Community Recycling sites in Ash and Ash Vale are located at:

Ash Football Club

Shawfield Road

Green, Brown and Clear Glass.



Carrington Recreation Ground

Lysons Avenue

Green, Brown, Clear Glass, Newspapers, Magazines, Cans, Plastic Bottles, Textiles, Shoes.

Coronation Gardens

Ash Hill Road

Green, Brown, Clear Glass, Newspapers, Magazines, Cans, Plastic Bottles, Cardboard, Books, Textiles and Shoes, Liquid Food Cartons and Drink Cartons.

If you would like to place an article or advertisement about a community event in a future issue of this newsletter, or if you have any suggestions for improving the newsletter or website, please contact The Parish Office by telephone on: 01252 328287 or e-mail office@ashpcsurrey.gov.uk

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