

ASH PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee
held in the Ash Centre, Ash Hill Road, Ash
on Monday 25 July 2016 which commenced at 7:00 pm**

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| Chairman of the Committee: | Cllr Paul Spooner | ✓ |
| Vice Chairman: | Cllr Laurence Armes | ✓ |
| | Cllr Nigel Manning | ✓ |
| | Cllr Bill Cole | ✓ |
| | Cllr Mrs Jo Randall | A |
| | Cllr Mrs Pat Scott | A |
| Substitutes: | | |
| | Cllr Martin Burgess | x |
| | Cllr John Tonks | x |

✓ Present

x Not Present

A Apology for Absence

Part I – Public Session**14. To accept Apologies for Absence (agenda item 1)**

Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs Jo Randall and Cllr Mrs Pat Scott.

15. To receive Declarations of Interest (agenda item 2)

There were no Declarations of Interest to report.

16. Confirmation of the Minutes (agenda item 3)

The minutes of the previous Finance and Administration Committee Meeting held on Monday 23 May 2016 have been before the full Council by which they were duly approved and adopted. These minutes were signed by The Chairman of Committee, Cllr Paul Spooner.

17. Adjournment (agenda item 4)

The Chairman moved and it was agreed to adjourn the meeting for a maximum period of 10 minutes to allow members of the public to raise questions.

There were no members of public present.

18. Monthly Accounts 2016/17 (agenda item 5)

Members considered and agreed the Council's accounts and budgetary review as at 31 May 2016 (month 2) and 30 June 2016 (month 3)

19 Bank Reconciliation (agenda item 6)

Members considered and agreed bank reconciliations as at 31 May 2016 (month 2) and 30 June 2016 (month 3)

20. Local Authorities Property Fund (agenda item 7)

Members considered information received from CCLA in respect of the investment in the Local Authorities Property Fund:

a) Prices and Dividend Yields to 30.06.2016

Item Noted

b) Correspondence and updates following the results of the EU Referendum

Item Noted**21. Concurrent Function Grants 2017/18 (agenda item 8)**

Members considered and suggested projects to put forward for Concurrent Functions Grant Aid 2017/18. The following projects have been suggested by the Amenities committee at their meeting held on 18 July 2016:

- New Storage Units at Carrington Recreation Ground Compound
Project Cost £15,000.00. Grant to be applied for £6,000.00.
- Street Lighting – Phase XI
Project Cost £40,000.00. Grant to be applied for £11,000.00.
- Carrington Recreation Ground Play Equipment
Project Cost £15,000.00. Grant to be applied for £6,000.00.
- Ash Recreation Ground Play Equipment
Project Cost £15,000.00. Grant to be applied for £6,000.00
- CCTV/WiFi Node Installation
Project Cost £20,000.00. Grant to be applied for £7,000.0
- New Tables – Ash Centre
Project Cost £724.00 Grant to be applied for £362.00
- Ashley Park Play Area – New Junior Swings
Project Cost £2,000.00. Grant to be applied for £1,000.00
- Carrington Recreation Ground – Construction of additional parking to alleviate parking issues at both Ash Vale Station and North Camp Station
Project Cost: 40,000.00. Grant to be applied for £11,000.00.

and it was:

Recommended upon consideration that the following projects be put forward for final consideration at the Meeting of the Full Council to be held on Monday 12 September 2016.

- New Storage Units at Carrington Recreation Ground Compound
Project Cost £15,000.00. Grant to be applied for £6,000.00.
- Street Lighting – Phase XI
Project Cost £40,000.00. Grant to be applied for £11,000.00.
- Carrington Recreation Ground Play Equipment
Project Cost £15,000.00. Grant to be applied for £6,000.00.
- Ash Recreation Ground Play Equipment
Project Cost £15,000.00. Grant to be applied for £6,000.00
- CCTV/WiFi Node Installation
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- New Tables – Ash Centre
Project Cost £724.00 Grant to be applied for £362.00
- Ashley Park Play Area – New Junior Swings
Project Cost £TBA. Grant to be applied for £TBA
- Carrington Recreation Ground – Construction of a new footpath from Carrington Recreation Ground Car Park to Lysons Avenue.
Project Cost: £TBA. Grant to be applied for £TBA.

22. Street Lighting (agenda item 9)

Members agreed in retrospect, the installation of two new fold down light columns in Love Lane/Church Path following damage to the previous columns for the sum of £4584.41 + VAT.

These columns will be installed under an existing Concurrent Function Grant – Street Lighting Phase IX.

23. Ash Parish Council – Insurance Renewal (agenda item 10)

The current 3 year long term agreement via Came & Co comes to an end on 31 July 2016.

Following the delegation of authority to the Chairman of Council and the Clerk to the Council to enable the most suitable cover to commence from 1 August 2016, members to note a report on the renewal of the Ash Parish Council insurance policy.

A three year Long Term Agreement with Zurich Municipal with a premium of £8,887.97 will commence from 1 August 2016.

The cover offered by Zurich compared favourably with previous cover plus had offered additional enhancements and was considered to be the most suitable cover over the three quotes provided by Came and Company.

Item noted

24. Correspondence (*agenda item 11*)

A letter had been received from the Ash group of Contacting the Elderly thanking Ash Parish Council for the donation of £300.00 from funds raised at Christmas Fantasia 2015.

25. Date of next meeting (*agenda item 12*)

The date of the next meeting is Monday 26 September 2016 commencing at 7.00pm or following the close of the Planning Committee meeting, if this is later.

The meeting concluded at 7:20pm

Chairman

Date