



# Ash Matters

## The Ash Parish Council Newsletter

Issue One 2018

### A New Parish Clerk Joins the Team



Sarah Groom

A new Clerk to the Council joins us from a long career in Local Government within Sussex, Surrey and Berkshire.

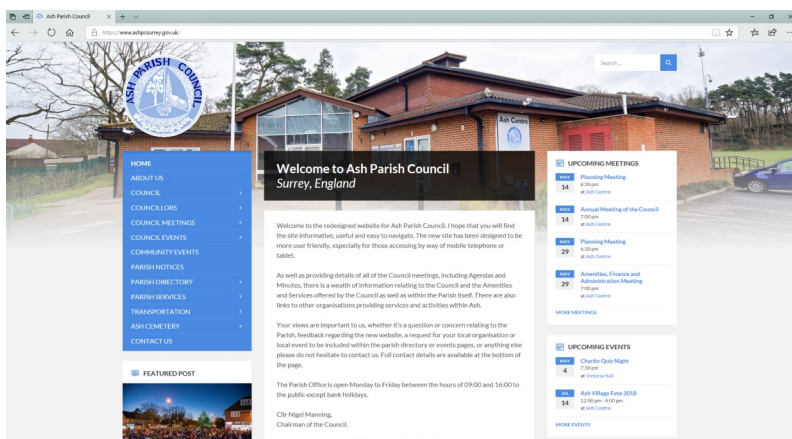
Chairman of the Council, Councillor Nigel Manning welcomed Sarah on behalf of all the councillors and staff at Ash Parish Council "Sarah has worked for a number of local authorities including the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead and the London Borough of Sutton. She brings a wealth of experience in managing council services and supporting council committees and wider community partnerships."

Sarah's career started with the administration of indoor and outdoor leisure facilities but soon expanded to managing a whole range of community wellbeing services. She then moved into more strategic roles writing corporate plans and policies, managing major procurement contracts and supporting inter-agency partnerships involving the health sector, the police, the armed forces, businesses and the voluntary sector.

Sarah says she's particularly looking forward to working more closely with her new colleagues at Ash Parish Council who make such a valuable contribution to the quality of life for residents. Some of Sarah's favourite projects have been working with councillors and local charities, who work so hard to support communities and improve local areas. She can't wait to experience the Ash Village Fete and Christmas Fantasia for the first time!

All in all, Sarah hopes she can continue to uphold and grow the Council's good reputation amongst its residents. "I'm keen to receive feedback from any resident about Ash Parish Council's services and I encourage residents to attend the monthly Council meetings where there is always a public question time session. It just leaves me to say a big thank you to retiring Clerk, Carole Olive, who has served the Parish of Ash steadfastly over the last 15 years. We shall miss her and wish her all the best in her retirement".  
*Sarah Groom, Clerk to the Council, Ash Parish Council.*

### Ash Parish Council Website



Ash Parish Council are pleased to advise that the council's website, [www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk](http://www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk) has undergone a total revamp and redesign.

The new website has been designed with the current digital ages in mind and is now more smart phone and tablet friendly, than the old site was.

If you run a club or society or are holding an event within the Parish please do contact us with details so that we can add these onto the new site.

If you would like us to add your details or wish to make any comments re the new web site please contact us by e-mail on [office@ashpcsurrey.gov.uk](mailto:office@ashpcsurrey.gov.uk).

## Chairman's Bit.



The last 12 months has been a bit of a roller coaster for me. In addition to being the Chairman of Ash Parish Council, I have had the honour of being Mayor of the Borough of Guildford. In this piece, I would like to share with you some of the highlights of the year, and to try to show what a Mayor actually does.

Guildford is the largest Borough in Surrey and is the County Town. It has therefore, been a pleasure, a privilege, and indeed at many times very humbling to have been Mayor of this wonderful and historic borough. I have done some very interesting things and met many extraordinary people.

For example, I spent a fascinating day at the Guildford Magistrates Court, with the Surrey Magistrates Association watching students from 6 Guildford schools conduct the defence and prosecution of a hypothetical but very realistic case. The young people were assessed and marked of every aspect of their activity. They all took it extremely seriously and were a great credit

to themselves and their schools. As occurs in real life, the verdicts were different, depending on how well the defendant was prosecuted or defended.

In July last year, the Guildford Lions raft race, which started on the river Wey at Millmead, was spectacular, with so much comradery and sportsmanship among the contestants. I was so impressed by the wonderful human spirit that I saw; I have commissioned a new trophy for the Mayors award for Sportsmanship, which will be presented this year at the Lions raft race by the new Mayor of Guildford.

Then there was meeting the Princess Royal at the opening of the Women's World Lacrosse championships held at Surrey Sports Park. And, having the privilege of presenting of the silver medals to the eventual "runners up" despite the torrential rain!

It was fascinating to watch the essential works carried out on Guildford Cathedral over my 2 years as Deputy Mayor and Mayor. It is now, fantastic to see the completion of the restoration works. The people's Cathedral looks magnificent and much better than it ever did before.

I had the privilege to represent Guildford Borough when meeting the Prime Minister Teresa May, the President of France, Emmanuel Macron and the Mayor of Versailles at the UK-France Summit reception held at the Victoria and Albert Museum, in connection with the possible twinning arrangement with Guildford and Versailles. A very memorable experience!

When I was elected Mayor of Guildford, I said that I wanted to see as many volunteers and organisations as possible, who help others in our Guildford Community and to acknowledge the work that they do. I was amazed at the sheer number of Guildford residents who give up their time to help others, and the range of support that they provide. It was fitting therefore that as my Mayoral year was coming to an end, I was able to host a reception and ceremony to present the Mayor's award for Service to the Community. All recipients are nominated by residents who live in the borough and I was delighted to recognise and be able to present special awards to such wonderful and selfless local people, including some who live in Ash.

Similarly, my final official engagement was to attend the Surrey Young Superstars Awards at Guildford Harbour Hotel. These awards were given to young people aged between 5 to 19 years old who have volunteered in their communities across the whole of Surrey. Some young people from Guildford were winners or highly commended and indeed the stories I heard were truly humbling.

To conclude this is only a very small snapshot of the many events and engagements I have completed over the last twelve months, but I hope it gives an idea of what the Mayor of Guildford gets up to!

With best wishes,

Nigel Manning

## Dog Show - Open Classes



For the first time ever Ash Parish Council will be holding a FUN Dog Show, with open classes during the Ash Village Fete on Saturday 14 July 2018.

The Dog Show is being organised and run on the day for the Council by Chimney International Dog Rescue. There will be classes for; Best Girl Dog; Best Boy Dog; Golden Oldie (for dogs 7 years or more); Best Puppy (for dogs under 12 months); Best Trick; Best Child Handler; Best Rescue Dog and Best Fancy Dressed Dog.

Registration for the classes will be at the Chimney Farm International Dog Rescue stall, between 12:00pm and 1:00pm, the cost of

registration per dog per class is £1.00, the proceeds of which will go to the Chimney Farm International Dog Rescue.

The competition will start at 1:00pm and continue throughout the afternoon.

Chimney Farm International Dog Rescue have since 2014 rehomed 1,200 dogs and are established as a successful international dog rescue with the emphasis on socialising dogs in order to prepare them for life in a forever home.

## Guildford Borough Councils Dog Wardens Top Doggy Tips!

Make sure your dog is WORMED regularly. Ask your VET for details;

Clean up IMMEDIATELY after your dog fouls in ANY public space. Bin it or carry it home;

To report issues or for information about dog fouling, dog noise, animal licensing, straying dogs, out of control dogs, call Guildford Borough Council on 01483 505050;

Report DANGEROUS dogs to Surrey Police on 101 or 999 in an emergency;

To report animal welfare issues, contact RSPCA on 0300 123 4999 or via their website;

Make sure that your dog is microchipped and that the details are up to date. It is the LAW!

Your dog MUST wear a collar AND tag when in a public place;

If you are buying a puppy, always ask to see a Dog Breeding License. If you have any concerns report them to Guildford Borough Council;



LOOK OUT for a change in the law in OCTOBER 2018 which will mean MORE animal activities will require a license. This will include Dog Day-care and Animals kept for exhibition.

Peter Burnage  
Dog Warden  
Guildford Borough Council

## Section 2 – Accounting statements 2016/17 for

Enter name of  
smaller authority here:

ASH PARISH COUNCIL

	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2016 £	31 March 2017 £	
1. Balances brought forward	482446	640487	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. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	379674	396480	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs, rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3. (+) Total other receipts	262902	283398	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4. (-) Staff costs	192390	221483	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	7333	6093	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the smaller authority's borrowings (if any).
6. (-) All other payments	284812	319770	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	640487	773019	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) – (4+5+6)
8. Total value of cash and short term investments	628332	769906	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – <b>To agree with bank reconciliation.</b>
9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	3721397	3752876	This cell shows the value of all the property the authority owns. It is made up of its fixed assets and long-term investments.
10. Total borrowings	28880	24000	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).
11. (For Local Councils Only) Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)	Yes	No	The Council acts as sole trustee for and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets. N.B. The figures in the accounting statements above do not include any Trust transactions.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2017 the accounting statements in this annual return present fairly the financial position of this smaller authority and its income and expenditure, or properly present receipts and payments, as the case may be.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer:

*Corrado De*

Date 11/05/2017

I confirm that these accounting statements were approved by this smaller authority on:

12/06/2017

and recorded as minute reference:

MINUTE NUMBER 30a(ii)

Signed by Chair at meeting where approval is given:

*N. Manning*

# ASH PARISH COUNCIL

## CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2018/19

<b>14 May 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Annual Meeting of the Council</b>
<b>29 May 2018 (TUES)</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>
<b>11 June 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Council</b>
<b>25 June 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>
<b>09 July 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Council</b>
<b>23 July 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>
<b>13 August 2018</b>	<b>Planning</b>
<b>28 August 2018 (TUES)</b>	<b>Planning</b>
<b>10 September 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Council</b>
<b>24 September 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>
<b>08 October 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Council</b>
<b>22 October 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>
<b>12 November 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Council</b>
<b>26 November 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>
<b>10 December 2018</b>	<b>Planning/Council</b>
<b>14 January 2019</b>	<b>Planning/Council</b>
<b>28 January 2019</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>
<b>11 February 2019</b>	<b>Planning/Council</b>
<b>25 February 2019</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>
<b>11 March 2019</b>	<b>Planning/Annual Parish Meeting/Council</b>
<b>25 March 2019</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>
<b>08 April 2019</b>	<b>Planning/Council</b>
<b>23 April 2019 (TUES)</b>	<b>Planning/Amenities, Finance and Administration</b>

## Ash Parish Council Village Fete 2018



*Ash Parish Council Village Fete 2017*

This year's Ash Parish Council Village Fete is to be held on Saturday 14th July at the Ash Centre and Recreation Ground, Ash Hill Road, Ash. The Fete will be open from 12:00 noon until 4:00pm.

Once again there will be a variety of stalls, games, tombola's and much more. For the first time there will be an open class FUN dog show with a number of different classes, including Best Trick and Best Fancy Dressed Dog.

More details will be available on the Council web site nearer the date of the Fete.

Our good friends from the Outside Broadcast Unit, Frimley Park Radio will make a welcome return, joining us to provide music and a running commentary throughout the afternoon.

Also as part of Ash in Bloom 2018, the Open Class Show, which includes classes for flowers, fruit, vegetables, baking and crafts will be taking place in the Ash Centre during the Fete.



*Cllr Nigel Manning opening the Village Fete 2017*



Application forms for stalls and an entry form for the Open classes can be obtained via the web site or directly from the Parish Office on 01252 328287.

Please keep referring back to our website [www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk](http://www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk) as details of the event are constantly being updated.

## Dates for your 2018 Diary

**Village Fete - Saturday 14th July 2018**

**Remembrance Day Service and Parade - Sunday 11th November 2018**

**Brass Band Concert - Saturday 17th November 2018**

**Fantasia 2018 - Saturday 1st December 2018**

## ASH in Bloom 2018

Ash Parish Council are once again this year holding its annual **ASH in Bloom** competition. The overall aim of the competition is to encourage residents to make the Parish of Ash a brighter and greener place in which to live. **ASH in Bloom 2018** will be sponsored by Dover Garage.

Entry is completely FREE and you may enter as many of the classes as you wish. You can also nominate a friend, relative or other Parish resident. (They will not be told who has nominated them). Judging will take place unannounced during July. The judge will be looking at the quality of the planting, diversity of the planting, good use of colour, sustainability - for example using peat free soil, composting, water butts etc. as appropriate to each category. The judge will also be looking at the overall impression.

Certificates and prizes will be awarded at a special presentation ceremony to be held on Wednesday 5th September 2018 at the Ash Centre, where there will be an opportunity to meet other prize winners, the judge and also the sponsors.

As mentioned above you may enter more than one category, however the entry MUST be located in the Parish of Ash and visible from the street. The judge will NOT enter your garden.

Please complete the entry form below. More entry forms can be obtained from the Council Office at the Ash Centre or by visiting [www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk](http://www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk).



### ASH in Bloom 2018 - Entry Form

Please tick which class/es you are entering/nominating an entry for:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Best Hanging Basket	Entrants Name: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Best Tub/Container	Address: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Best Garden Border	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Best Front Garden	Postcode: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Best Kept Allotment	E-mail: _____
		Phone: _____

If nominating a friend or neighbour please enter category and as much detail above as possible and enter your name below. This will not be disclosed to the entrant. Closing Date 22 June 2018.

Nominee full name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Twitter: [@ashpcsurrey](https://twitter.com/ashpcsurrey)



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## Contact Numbers

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

### Community Wardens

**07901 513652 - CW Jo Packman**  
**07769 642053 - CW Lesley Telford**

### Dates for your 2018 Diary

**Ash Village Fete**  
Saturday 14 July 2018  
**Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service**  
Sunday 11 November 2018  
**Brass Band Concert**  
Saturday 17 November 2018  
**Fantasia**  
Saturday 1 December 2018

Visit [www.ashpcsurrey.gov.uk](http://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, 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](mailto:office@ashpcsurrey.gov.uk)

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