

ASH PARISH COUNCIL

AMENITIES, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT 2025-26

This committee considers all administration matters including Council policies, financial accounts, assessment of charges, budget control and staffing matters, as well as allotments, cemetery matters, recreation grounds and play areas.

Over the last year, I was pleased that this year we were able to work on several projects. Such as: -

- **Ash Centre** – Full door and window replacement
- **Community hanging baskets** – Agreeing replacement of Ash Parish maintained hanging baskets, a feature that garners a lot of local praise.
- **CCTV** – Continued upgrading and improvements to parish system in conjunction with street lighting and CCTV working group.
- **Cemetery** – As well as granting exclusive rights in respect of burials throughout the year, also agreed replacement of retaining cemetery wall
- **Community Asset Transfer** – Working with GBC to hopefully bring various assets back into control of Ash Parish council
- **Continued supporting of community street team** – Refreshment purchase.

The committee has remained professional, and community focused in every meeting and I would like to personally thank Cllrs, Richard Lucas, John Tonks, Paul Golding, Mohammed Faisal, Carla Morson, but most of all Ali Watmore and Jeanette McKernan for their continued work and contributions to the Council and committee over the past year and I look forward to us working together over the next year.

Councillor Phil Bellamy

Chairman of the Amenities, Finance and Administration Committee