



**AGENDA FOR A MEETING OF OF ASHFIELD-CUM-THORPE PARISH COUNCIL
TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2024
IN THE COMMUNITY HALL AT 7.30 PM**

The Council, members of the public and press may record/film/photograph or broadcast this meeting when the public and press are not lawfully excluded.

Members of the public are welcome at this meeting – see item 2 on agenda

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Public Forum *At the discretion of the Chairman, members of the public are invited ask questions or make comments/representations about issues on this agenda, or to request items be put forward for consideration at future meeting. This item will be restricted to no more than 5 minutes per contribution. Members of the public are welcome to stay for the duration of meeting (with the exception of confidential matters) but may not contribute within the Parish Council meeting itself unless specifically invited to by the Chairman.*

3. Declaration of Interests *To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting. The disclosure must include the nature of the interest. If an interest becomes apparent to a member during the course of a meeting that has not been disclosed under this item, the member must immediately disclose it.*

4. Report from County Councillor

5. Report from District Councillor

6. Minutes of previous meeting. *To resolve that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8th July 2024 be signed as a correct record.*

7. Matters arising and Action Points from the July minutes

8. Planning:

- a. *To consider any planning applications which have been submitted since the last meeting: None*
- b. *To consider any planning applications which have been submitted since agenda published.*
- c. *Updates and outcomes on previous planning applications: None*

9. Parish Council Activities

- a. *To consider co-option to fill vacancies on Council*
- b. *Update on concerns raised by parishioner about road safety on the A1120.*
- c. *Consideration of responses received to consultation on the proposed upgrade of the bridleway between Ashfield-cum-Thorpe & Debenham as part of the Joined Up Villages Project, including concerns about 'lost' bridleways*
- d. *Highways & Footpaths: Report on activity since the last meeting including query on Highways Drain Clearing*
- e. *To consider and review the Council's Risk Assessment*
- f. *To consider and review the Council's Health & Safety Policy*
- g. *To consider the adequacy of the Parish Council Insurance Policy in order to renew cover*
- h. *Consideration of pledging support for the Bill to improve the Safety of Lithium Ion Batteries*
- i. *Consideration of response to BMSDC Joint Local Plan Part 2 Consultation*

10. Finance

- a. *To review the Financial Statement as supplied by the Clerk*
- b. *Virement to Reserves – balance on financial statement to quarter for:*
 - i) *Asset Replacement Fund*
 - ii) *Contingency Fund*
- c. *Adoption of New Financial Regulations*
- d. *To consider and review Internal Financial Control Statement*
- e. *To agree payments as detailed on Payment Schedule*

11. Urgent Matters to be brought to the attention of the Council

*Councillors are requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and **to raise items for future agendas**. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision-making*