



**AGENDA FOR A MEETING OF ASHFIELD-CUM-THORPE PARISH COUNCIL  
TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 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 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 be signed as a correct record.*

**7. Matters arising and Action Points from the November 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 LCWIP project*
- c. *Report on Thermal Imaging Camera*
- d. *Highways & Footpaths including:*
  - i) *Grove Lane*
  - ii) *Damaged Village Entry Sign*
  - iii) *Dangerous Parking Concerns*
  - iv) *Hedge Cutting and Drain Clearing notices*
- e. *Calendar of meetings and events for 2025 (to financial year end 2026)*

**10. Finance**

- a. *To review the Financial Statement as supplied by the Clerk*
- b. *To accept NJC recommended pay settlement, including backdating pay claim to 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024*
- c. *To finalise and adopt the 2025-2026 Budget (inc. consideration of changes to Clerk's hours & pay band)*
- d. *To set Precept for 2025-2026*
- e. *To agree payments as detailed on Payment Schedule*
- f. *To consider application for funding from Lighthouse Women's Aid*
- g. *To consider application for funding from Mid Suffolk CAB*

**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*