

Village Recorder's Report for Ashfield Parish Council Annual Meeting

May 13, 2026

I prepared a report for 2025, which this year was circulated to residents by email via "Ashfield Talk". A copy of the report will also be filed in the Suffolk Record Office in Ipswich.

The 2025 report noted the occurrence of the "usual" events, including village business dealt with by the Parish Council, the programme of social events organised by Community Council, church services and events, and a few property transactions. Of note was the strong smell which dominated the southern end of the village over the summer months.

Sadly, we lost two residents (Eric "Kipper" Brown and Stan Davidson) and one former resident (Brian Lennon) ,who died during 2025.

I also compiled some notes about the Community Centre to mark 50 years since its opening on October 18th1975 and made a new copy of the photograph and newspaper article that appeared in the East Anglian Daily Times, to display in the hall.

During the year, I received several documents and photos relating to the village, including a set of the previous village newsletter "About Ashfield" . I'm always grateful to receive information and documents about Ashfield, which all helps me to continue recording the history of our village.

Anita Sharpe

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