

ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Report 2009/2010

2009/2010 was a quiet year compared with the last few which had overseen the management of the playing field, car park construction, tidying up of Boughton's Peace and the bus shelter.

The Council held five general meetings with an average of four members of the public present.

Items which have been 'resolved';

- A request was made to Bucks County Council to cut back the hedge along the Causeway.
- After receiving complaints about the ongoing problem with HGV's, the Council asked for this to be an Item on the Agenda for the March Local Area Forum run by Bucks County Council.
- The Council has, along with Bucks Community Action, started the process of compiling a Community Led Plan.
- Organising and paying for the clearing of the heap of rubbish and spoil from the bottom of the Church Yard.
- Organising and paying for the mowing/strimming of the playing field and car park grass
- The last of the hedging has now been planted which completed all the responsibilities of the Council for the completion of the car park. The final cost, including fencing and planting, came out at just under £37,000 of which about £13,000 was money from the 106 Agreement for the Main Street development of five houses.
- Councillors Nash, Miller and Bonson have walked, or will shortly complete a Survey of All the Rights of Way in the Parish and report any observations they think necessary to Bucks County Council.
- The website appears to still be used. In 2009, there was a total of 367 visitors of which 243 were unique. So far in 2010, it has received 147 visitors of which 90 have been unique.

Finally, the Council spent £3867, compared with the previous year, of £42,000. As a consequence, the Precept for this year has been reduced, although the Council wants to accrue a reserve for the future.