

+ ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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13 February 2026

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the Ash-cum-Ridley parish Council which will be held at **7.45pm on Thursday 19 February 2025 at Ash Village Hall, The Street, Ash, TN15 7HB**

Yours faithfully

A de Jager

Alison de Jager

Parish Clerk

AGENDA**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE****2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS****3. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES** of the Parish Council meeting held on 15 January 2026 and Extra Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 05 February 2026. (Attached).**4. PUBLIC SESSION AND EXTERNAL REPORTS**

- KENT POLICE
- COUNTY COUNCILLOR
- DISTRICT COUNCIL
- NEW ASH GREEN VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

5. CLERK'S REPORT**(APPENDIX A GREEN)**

To note the report of items for information from the Clerk.

6. COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION

- 6.1 **Annual Parish Meeting** – to receive an update on arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting.

7. FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE**(APPENDIX B PINK)**

- 7.1 **Current Financial Position:** To receive a verbal update from the Deputy Clerk on the Council's current financial position and note the reports received.
- 7.2 **Approval of Payments:** To approve the payments made from 13 December 2025.
- 7.3 **Speedwatch** - to give consideration to the purchase of a Go-pro camera for the use by the Speedwatch group.
- 7.4 **Policies**
- Staff Appraisal Policy** – to give consideration to adopting the attached draft policy.
 - Disciplinary Policy** – To carry out a review of the attached policy.
 - Grants Policy** – to consider the suggested amendments to the attached policy.
 - Co-Option Procedures** – to carry out a review of the attached procedures.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION CONSULTATION**(APPENDIX C LIME)**

8.1 To note the attached report and consultation questions. Full consultation document emailed to members on 10 February 2026.

8.2 To give consideration to delegating the Parish Council's response to the Clerk in conjunction with members of the Parish Council with local government knowledge.

9. CHILDREN'S CENTRE

9.1 Verbal update

10. PLANNING**(APPENDIX D GOLD)**

10.1 **Applications:**

25/03280: West Yoke Depot, Michaels Lane, new Ash Green, TN15 7EP – Erection of a single storey rear extension, retention of container and change of use of former stables building and land to general industrial (Use Class B2), plus formation of hard surfacing to create incidental car park in connection with occupation of Units 10 and 11.

10.2 **Planning Applications Working Group** - To note the notes of the Planning Applications Working Group meeting of 04 February 2026.

10.3 **Sevenoaks District Council Local List**

To give consideration to the attached report and to nominate any relevant assets.

11. ASH GREEN SPORTS CENTRE**(APPENDIX E BLUE)**

11.1 **Current Financial Position:** To receive a verbal update from the Deputy Clerk/Finance Officer on the Sports Centre's current financial position.

11.2 **Approval of Payments** – To approve the payments made from 13 December 2025.

11.3 **Management of Ash Green Sports Centre** – to provide members with a timeline of the discussions on the Sports Centre Management and to consider further direction.

12. COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT**(APPENDIX F PURPLE)**

12.1 **Focus Group** – to note the notes of the Focus Group meeting held on 12 January 2026.

12.2 **Easter Afternoon Tea** – To consider arranging an afternoon tea for senior citizens, working in conjunction with the Community Warden.

12.3 **Easte Egg Trail** – To consider arranging an Easter trail in New Ash Green for children.

13. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:

13.1 To receive verbal reports from all Councillors, for information only.

14. PROGRESS TRACKER**(APPENDIX G LIGHT BLUE)**

14.1 To note the progress tracker of Council decisions.