ASHOVER PARISH COUNCIL held an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting in The Bassett Rooms, Ashover on Tuesday 18 JANUARY 2022 at 7.00 pm and Cllr E Willmot Chaired the meeting.

Public Speaking

Members of the public addressed the Parish Council on matters relating to 'Dark Skies' and the impact of light pollution on wildlife and the countryside and rights of Way reporting facilities to Derbyshire County Council.

Crime figures for October and November were reported.

A response from Severn Trent Water, to a letter regarding pollution levels on the River Amber, was awaited.

Health and Safety

A review of the 'Events Policy' was undertaken and the policy would remain unchanged.

Working Groups

There was no update from the Climate Change Working Group.

Recommendations were put forward for the Jubilee Working Group to consider and it was resolved that the Church Street Road Closure on Saturday 04/06/2022 would run from 8am to 5pm. Ashover Parochial Church Council had donated £200 towards the Jubilee Events.

Sports Pavilion Lease & Car Park Service Level Agreement

A statement, made by the Chairman of Ashover Parish Hall CIO, had been circulated to all Members, outlining a proposed way forward for car park winter and general maintenance and management of the sports pavilion. The statement was supported in principle and the Liaison Group would discuss the proposal further.

Neighbourhood Plan Review

North East Derbyshire District Council's Local Plan 2014-2034 had had been adopted on 29/11/2021. Modifications to the Ashover Parish Neighbourhood Plan may now be progressed.

Section 137

A S137 grant of £100.00 was made to the North East Derbyshire District Council Chair's Appeal in aid of Ashgate Hospice Care.

Revised Standing Orders

The Revised Ashover Parish Council Standing Orders, in line with the National Association of Local Councils Model, were adopted.

Training

Training opportunities had been circulated to all Members.

Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report included the Derbyshire Association of Local Councils' (DALC) Newsletters, SLCC magazine, Clerks & Councils Direct magazine, Derbyshire County Council notice of confirmation of modification order re footpath from Moor Road along Pudding Bag Lane to public footpath no. 161, Ashover Footpaths and Bridleways report.

Councillor Audit

The Councillor Audit had taken place on 15/12/2021 in accordance with Financial Regulation 2.2 and GDPR, with no matters arising.

Monthly Financial Report

The Financial Reports for November and December 2021 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm