

## **ASHOVER PARISH COUNCIL**

### **STATEMENT TO ENSURE THE COUNCIL PROVIDES LEADERSHIP IN PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE OF THE COMMUNITY**

Ashover Parish Council will continue to work proactively wherever possible to strengthen and improve working relationships with community groups, local organisations, local business, statutory bodies, voluntary groups, district and county councils.

#### **Strengthen Partnerships**

Encourage partners to approach the Parish Council with clear, well thought out constructive ideas which will benefit all sections of the community and on which there can be joint working.

Publicise the work of the Parish Council through its website, newsletters and at council meetings.

Give the public the opportunity to ask questions at all of its public meetings.

#### **Communication at all levels**

Have a clear method in which the public can give feedback to the Council both positive, negative and with ideas for development. Promote communication via the website, Information Point, Public Participation at Meetings, Questionnaires, Annual Report, Newsletters and Bulletins.

Manage the Council's resources to ensure that they are spent on the needs of the community.

Focus resources on what matters to our community and those that visit the area.

#### **Managing the Council's resources wisely**

Attain maximum benefit from management of the Council's assets.

Acknowledge the diversity of what heritage means to Ashover Parish and seek to maintain this through active involvement in local projects along with the formulation of the Neighbourhood plan.

Encourage ways in which our community can improve our environment and promote building resilience for the future.

Work to encourage balancing the current needs of people, the economy and the environment without compromising the future.

Be sensitive to our environment and contribute to a high quality of life.

Ensure a fair and equitable Parish precept is set annually

#### **Sustainable community.**

Work wherever possible with the business community to sustain economic vibrancy.

Actively support local business by employing local tradesmen whenever possible.

Support the introduction of High speed broadband due for public access in November 2015.

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