

COLD ASH PARISH COUNCIL

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4th September 2024

To: All Members of the Council

You are summoned to attend a meeting **COLD ASH PARISH COUNCIL** on Tuesday 10th September 2024 at **7.30pm** in the Committee Room of the Acland Hall.

Yours faithfully,



Rosie Jardine, Clerk & RFO to Cold Ash Parish Council

Public Participation

There will be 15 minutes at the beginning of the meeting to hear public questions and comments. A member of the public shall not speak for more than three minutes and a question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question.

A G E N D A

239519 Apologies for Absence

To receive, and consider for approval, apologies for absence and reasons given.

239520 Declarations of Interest

Members are reminded to declare any interest on any item on this agenda at this point or at any point during the meeting in accordance with Cold Ash Parish Council's Code of Conduct.

239521 Minutes

To approve and sign minutes of the meetings held on 13.8.2024

239522 Planning matters

If members of the public would like to comment on an application, they should check the advice on our website: <https://coldashpc.org.uk/the-council/planning/>

Town & Country Planning Act 1990, Sch.1, para 8

A Applications

To consider and resolve a response, if appropriate, to the following applications:

BC [24/01614/HOUSE Verona, The Ridge](#)

Proposed single storey extension following demolition of existing garage. Replace roof tiles

IM [24/01404/CERTE Littlecroft, Collaroy Road](#)

Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an Existing Use: Lawful Commencement of construction of x 2 dwellings under approval reference 08/01275/FULD

BC [24/01559/FULMAJ Cleardene Farm](#)

Section 73: Application for Variation of a Condition following Grant of Planning Permission 22/00810/FULMAJ: Conversion of redundant buildings at Cleardene Farm, Ashmore Green, into four detached dwellings, and to demolish two redundant buildings.

PA [24/01664/HOUSE Tumbleweed, Drove Lane](#)

Construction of a rear extension, extension to existing dormer, new canopy porch and new rooflight to front

PM [24/01701/HOUSE Old Well Cottage, Thirtover](#)
Two storey rear extension, infill ground floor extension, replacement porch, demolition of existing annexe, removal of shed and new replacement annexe providing ancillary accommodation to the house, with open carport.

?? [24/01222/FULMAJ Woodland Leaves, Cold Ash Hill](#)
Landscape, biodiversity and drainage restoration of the site (with flood risk mitigation), including restoration of historic land contours, installation of holding and wildlife ponds, demolition of current dwelling and garage and erection of replacement dwelling on existing hardstanding tennis court, restoration of coach house, and implementation of a long term environmental plan.

JW [24/01573/HOUSE Ashley, Ashmore Green Road](#)
New Raised Rear Garden Decking

B Decision Notices

GRANTED - 24/01022/HOUSE Whixo, Cold Ash Hill

Removal of existing 2.4m hedge and 1.2m fence on front boundary. Erection of new 1.8m fence in same style as neighbouring fence. CAPC: No objection - unanimous. CAPC noted that although the replacement of hedging with fencing is not consistent with the Village Design Statement nor with the NDP's focus of maintaining a rural feel, the new fencing will be of the same style as immediate neighbouring properties so could not be objected to.

GRANTED - 24/00494/HOUSE 28 Hatchgate Close

Loft conversion within the roof space and addition of 2 rooflights at the front and 3 rooflights at the rear. CAPC: No Objection – CAPC supports the Highways request for submission of plans detailing all 3 parking spaces and the driveway materials.

GRANTED - 24/00532/HOUSE 7 Sewell Close

Demolition of existing conservatory and replacement with single storey rear extension. Additional two storey side extension.

CAPC: No objection but support the Tree Officer's recommendation that a Tree Protection Scheme be put in place given there are POSs at the property.

239523 West Berkshire Council Community Forum

To receive a verbal update from members who attended the West Berkshire Council Community Forum, Tuesday 10.9.2024 at 6pm at Thatcham Rugby Club and to resolve actions as deemed appropriate.

239524 West Berkshire Local Plan Review

- A** To note a CAPC representation submitted to the Planning Inspector on 4.9.2024 to resolve any subsequent actions required.
- B** To discuss and agree next steps needed in the proposed action plan, with owners, to drive them forwards – Cllr PM.
- C** To consider and approve, if appropriate, a request for a financial contribution towards seeking the opinion of a KC, in partnership with Bucklebury Parish Council and other neighbouring Councils, as to the soundness of the statement by the National Planning Inspector on the Local Plan, particularly relating to the proposed development at northeast Thatcham (THA20).

239525 20mph speed limits

Following communication from a resident in support of the introduction of a 20mph speed limit for Ashmore Green Road:

- A** To receive a report from Cllr Heather Codling regarding the application process for 20mph speed limits in West Berkshire.
- B** To discuss and resolve, if appropriate, if CAPC wishes to begin working towards an application to WBC for 20mph speed limits for Cold Ash and an appropriate plan consistent with the application process.

239526 Clerk's Report

To receive a report from the Clerk outlining actions taken subsequent to previous meetings.

239527 Finance

- A **Items for payment** - To review and approve items of expenditure.
- B **Bank reconciliation for approval** – To receive and approve the 30.8.24 bank reconciliation
- C **Budget** - to note the Budget Report

239528 Audit

A **AGAR 2023-2024**

To note the conclusion of the External Audit of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return for year ended 31.3.2024 which has been appropriately published in accordance with The Accounts & Audit Regulations 2015.

B **Engagement of Internal Auditor for 2024-2025**

To consider and resolve, if appropriate re-engagement of the Internal Auditor.

239529 Hedgerows on Highways

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To consider and resolve actions, if appropriate, regarding problematic hedgerows on Highways and thoroughfares.

239530 Outside Bodies

To receive reports from representatives of Outside Bodies

239531 Councillors' Reports & Questions

To receive reports and questions from Parish and District Councillors.

239532 Correspondence

To note the correspondence received since the last meeting of Council