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ASHINGDON PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER – February 2018

Christmas Buffet

The annual Christmas buffet was held on Thursday 7th December 2017 and was a great success.

A total of £76.50 was raised for Myeloma UK following a raffle, thanks to everyone who took part. Special thanks go to Summerhill Garden Centre who donated a beautiful planter as a raffle prize.

Budget for 2018/19

The Parish Council agreed to raise the precept to £85,849. This equates to an extra £13.37 for the entire year for a band d property. The increase will be used for the following:

- Additional match funding for a new play area at King George's field for children aged 8 – 11 years old;
- The costs relating to re-opening the toilets at King George's Field;
- Youth workers;
- 4 day skate park in August.

Councillor Vacancies

There are currently two vacant seats on the Parish Council. If you are interested in becoming a member of Ashingdon Parish Council please come along to a meeting held on the 1st Monday of each month at 7.30pm in the committee room, Ashingdon & East Hawkwell Memorial Hall. Alternatively, contact the Clerk on 01702 257457 for further information.

Superfast Broadband

The Parish Council continue to lobby for superfast broadband throughout the whole parish. If you do not currently receive superfast fibre broadband please register your interest at www.superfastessex.org.

Kaos Youth Club Family fundraising Quiz night
Friday 23rd February 7pm for 7.30pm start.
Finish at 10.30pm.
£5 Adults and £3 Children
Please bring a raffle prize.
Hawkwell Baptist Church Hall, Rectory Avenue

Skate Park working party

The Parish Council are looking for volunteers to join a working group to look into providing a permanent skate park in King George's Field, Ashingdon Road.

To volunteer contact the Clerk at ashingdonparishcouncil@essexinfo.net

Neighbourhood Watch news

There is an increasing number of thefts of or damage to vehicles in our district. Please make sure your vehicle is secure when leaving it and also never leave valuables in it. If you do not remove them at least hide them from view.

Future Parish Council meetings

Monday 5th March 2018 at 7.30pm
Monday 9th April 2018 at 7.30pm
Monday 14th May 2018 at 7.30pm.

Meetings are held in the Committee Room at Ashingdon and East Hawkwell Memorial Hall, Ashingdon Road, Ashingdon.

Rochford District Council News

The Issues and Options Document (and draft Sustainability Appraisal) forms the first part of the review of the District Council's adopted policy documents. It covers a whole range of issues on planning for new homes, new jobs and new infrastructure (such as schools, roads, play spaces), the challenges we face as a district and what the options are for addressing these challenges.

The potential impacts of the different options the District Council have considered in terms of key sustainability issues are also set out in the draft Sustainability Appraisal with a view to avoiding and mitigating potential negative impacts.

The Issues and Options Document (and draft Sustainability Appraisal) is now open for public consultation for a period of 12 weeks, and your comments on both documents are now being invited from **13 December 2017 to 5pm on 7 March 2018**.

You can view the documents online by visiting:

<https://www.rochford.gov.uk/new-local-plan-issues-and-options-document-and-draft-sustainability-appraisal>

Paper copies are available (for reference only) at Rochford and Rayleigh Council Offices and all local libraries during normal opening hours.

Towards the end of January students at Greensward Academy performed Annie the Musical to packed audiences over three nights with rave reviews: *"It was a brilliant show and as always with school productions I was left amazed at the talent for children so young. Well done to all involved."* *"I just wanted to say a massive congratulations to you and all of the fabulous cast of Annie. The production was absolutely fantastic and I thoroughly enjoyed every moment ... thank you for such a wonderful evening."*

Special Constables

Some Parish Councils within Essex are providing small amounts of funding for Special Constables in their area. This funding is provided by way of the parish precept. Ashingdon Parish Council have discussed this service provision but have decided to put the decision on hold at present. We would like to hear your views – would you be prepared to pay more precept in order for the Parish Council to fund Special Constables in the area?

Please send you thoughts to the clerk
ashingdonparishcouncil@essexinfo.net.

More information on Special Constables can be found at
<https://www.essex.police.uk/join-the-police/special-constabulary/>