West Ashby Parish Council News

October 2025

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Will there be Dragons?

As you will all have no doubt noticed, or heard the West Ashby Arms has closed and the current tenants have vacated.

As Parish Council we have no information on who our pub has been sold to and have not heard any rumours about new owners whether they be from successful pubs near RAF bases or not we know nothing and will not be drawn further on idle speculation.



Pictures included are for reference purposes only and do not reflect any pub, living or dead

If and when the pub reopens, perhaps in time for Yule festivities which would be wonderful timing, it would be lovely to see our villagers back there for a parish get together and to show our unwavering commitment and support to what we all hope will be a delightful country pub we can all be proud of. Perhaps where the staff wear country gilets? We shall watch this space and pray to the Viking Gods of West Ashby that all comes together soon.

Church Quizzes

Due to the unavailability of the pub ... which we obviously know nothing about All quizzes for the Church will be held at the Village Hall unless, and until the pub reopens ... which we still know nothing about.

The next Quiz for the Church is on **Sunday 12**th **October.** It's a **6:30pm** start, teams of 5-ish, £3 each, hosted by The Bournes.

Next dates for 2025 are:-9th November - Manor Farm 14th December - Harry Elliot

Bring your own drinks and crisps.

More planters

Now that the County's Highways Team have completed the build out at Church Lane the Parish Council will be installing some planters on this area to highlight the centre of our village and to ensure that it looks as pretty as possible. Hopefully these will be in this year.

Anglian Water

Continuing with their omnipresent being in the village they have been back numerous times over the last few weeks for various repairs. Rest assured the Parish Council have complained which has met with a deafening silence from the water board. Our local councillor is aware of the situation and is trying to find out any information he can. We will keep on it!

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Wed 19 Nov in the Village Hall at 7:30pm, anyone may come and present in the first 15 minutes or ask any questions of the Council, following that 21 Jan.

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Orchard, Cemetery & Gates

Your PC Councillors have undertaken their maintenance jobs pre-winter in respect of the gazebo, which is now resplendent with a bench kindly donated by our own aptly named Chairman Carl Graves.

We have also painted the entrance gates to the village which I am sure you all agree look lovely and washed down the signs.

We have secured some grants for an information board for the Orchard too so soon you will be able to tell what is what, and whether it is to be eaten or cooked.

There will also be some general gardening jobs occurring as soon as Autumn sets in proper and the conditions are ideal.

Midsummer Get Together

Pleased to report that we raised £189.96 for the Parish Council as a result of the Midsummer Get Together. This can be put towards PC projects in the village

Parish Councillors

Two vacancies remain on the Parish Council. If you wish to consider joining the PC then have a chat with one of the Councillors.

Harvest Festival

A reminder, **Sunday 28**th **September**, 11am for the Church Service with the feast at the Village Hall thereafter – aim to be there around 12:15-12:30.

Tickets will be available beforehand from the Village Church Committee – proceeds to the Church.

Village Hall Tabletop Sale

Another reminder, the Village Hall table-top sale is on Saturday 11th October – doors open to all at 10am.

If you wish to rent a table to sell your wares, then it is £8. All proceeds will go to the Village Hall, other than what you make from your stuff of course.

Refreshments available.

Other happenings

Odd Jobs

If anyone has any odd jobs you need a helping hand with suitable for a 12-year-old then contact Jesse on 07 442 389 205. He can get helpers if needs be for larger jobs.

Logs

Village syndicate for log buying – if interested then please ask Rob (Chapel View 07 384 555 207).



Recycling

The Church can recycle printer cartridges, blister packs, stamps, milk bottle lids – all in the porch.

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