Ash Parish Council Publication Scheme

PUBLICATION SCHEME

Adopted by Ash Parish Council on

3rd May 2023

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained	Cost (* see p7)
Class1 - Who we are and what we do	Note: Ash PC	
(Organisational information, structures, locations and contacts)	Website: ashpcsomerset.com	
This will be current information only.		
Who's who on the Council and its Committees	Website & Clerk	
Contact details for Parish Clerk and Council members (named contacts where possible with telephone number and email address (if used))	Website & Clerk	(see p6)
Location of main Council office and accessibility details	Website & Clerk	
Staffing structure	Website & Clerk	
Class 2 – What we spend and how we spend it		
(Financial information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure,		
procurement, contracts and financial audit)		
Current and previous financial year as a minimum		
Annual return form and report by Auditor	Website & Clerk	
Finalised budget	Website & Clerk	
Precept	Website & Clerk	
Financial Standing Orders and Regulations	Website & Clerk	
Grants given and received	Website & Clerk	
List of current contracts awarded and value of contract	Clerk	
Members' allowances and expenses	N/A	

Class 3 – What our priorities are and how we are doing		
(Strategies and plans, performance indicators, audits, inspections and reviews)		
Current and previous year as a minimum		
Parish Plan	N/A	
Annual Report to Parish Meeting (current and previous year as a minimum)	Website & Clerk	
Class 4 – How we make decisions		
(Decision making processes and records of decisions)		
Current and previous council year as a minimum		
Timetable of meetings (Council and any committee/sub-committee meetings)	Website & Clerk	
Agendas of meetings (as above)	Website & Notice Boards	(# see p6)
Minutes of meetings (as above) – n.b. this will exclude information that is properly	Website & Clerk	
regarded as private to the meeting.		
Reports presented to council meetings – n.b. this will exclude information that is	Website & Clerk	
properly regarded as private to the meeting.		
Responses to consultation papers	Hard copy	25p/sheet
Responses to planning applications (Council minutes/SSDC website)	Website & Clerk	
Bye-laws	N/A	

Class 5 – Our policies and procedures (Current written protocols, policies and procedures for delivering our services and responsibilities)		
Current information only		
Policies and procedures for the conduct of Council business:	Website & Clerk	
Procedural Standing Orders		
Code of Conduct		
Policy statements		
Policies and procedures for the provision of services and about the employment of staff:	Website & Clerk	
Internal instructions to staff and policies relating to the delivery of services Bullying and Harassment Policy		
Policies and procedures for handling requests for information		
Complaints procedures (including those covering requests for information and operating		
the publication scheme)		
Grievance Policy		

Class 6 – Lists and Registers	(hard copy or website; some
Currently maintained lists and registers only	information may only be available by inspection)
Any publicly available register or list (if any are held this should be publicised; in most circumstances existing access provisions will suffice)	Clerk
Assets register	Website & Clerk
Register of members' interests	SSDC Website & Clerk
Register of gifts and hospitality	Clerk
Class 7 – The services we offer (Information about the services we offer, including leaflets, guidance and newsletters produced for the public and businesses) Current information only	
Burial grounds and closed churchyards	Website & Clerk
Community centres and village halls	N/A
Parks, playing fields and recreational facilities	Clerk
Seating, litter bins, clocks, memorials and lighting	Clerk
Markets	N/A
Public conveniences	N/A
Agency agreements	N/A
Services for which the council is entitled to recover a fee, together with those fees (e.g. burial fees)	Website & Clerk
Allotments	N/A

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Exempt Material

Personal information relating to Councillors (other than required to be declared in the Members' Register of Interests) Personal Information relating to employees Tenders and bids from contractors and suppliers

Note: Data Protection Legislation prohibits the publication of certain categories of information.

Notice boards – (1) Corner of Martock Lane/Main Street. (2) Corner of Burrough Street/Main Street

Charging Policy

Information can be inspected by arrangement with the Clerk, free of charge. There is no Parish Office so the information requested will be made available at the next parish council meeting. If this is impracticable for any reason, then copies of the documents will be sent by post. There is unlikely to be any further charge other than printing and second class Royal Mail postage, but the Parish Council reserve the right to do so to reimburse the cost of the Clerk's time. Applicants will be informed if there is an intention to charge.

Information, which can be photocopied, without breaching copyright laws, can be copied by the Clerk at a cost of 20p per single sided A4 sheet (25p per colour single sided A4 sheet).

* SCHEDULE OF CHARGES

This describes how the charges have been arrived at.

TYPE OF CHARGE	DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF CHARGE
Disbursement cost	Photocopying 20p per	Actual cost 20p
	sheet (black & white)	
	Photocopying 25p per	Actual cost 25p
	sheet (colour)	
	Postage	Actual Royal Mail cost
Other	A search of archived	£50 per Search
	records (for example pre-	
	1994 Council Minutes)	
	Copies of documents held	Actual Library charge
	at SSDC Archive Library	