## Ashby Town Council News

## **Summer Events**

Once again, we have been overwhelmed by the turnout at our summer events and we would like to extend a huge thanks to everyone who came along and enjoyed them. We were extremely lucky to have fantastic weather for Ashby Sport Fun Day and with so many sports clubs and groups on the Bath Grounds the day was a resounding hit.

Jim's Tractor Run was the busiest we've seen it in many years with close to 5,000 people enjoying the tractors, classic vehicles and



entertainment. A brilliant amount of £1,529 was raised for Hospice Hope.

At the time of writing excitement is high for Ashby Big Weekend and our fingers are crossed for lots of sunshine for everyone to enjoy while browsing the artisan market and singing along to the live entertainment.

Looking ahead the calendar is just as packed. From Friday 15th to Tuesday 19th September Ashby Statutes will return. On Saturday 7th October Ashby's FABulous will see the town come to life in celebration of 100 years of Disney. We can't wait to see the shop windows for this.

Plans are underway for both Armistice Day (Saturday 11th) and Remembrance Sunday (12th) in November. For these events and Ashby Statutes remember there will be road closures. Look out for signage prior to the events with exact dates and times. Last but not least, make a note of Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd December as this year's Ashby Christmas weekend – see upcoming issues for further details.

## **Council News**

Over the summer we have had lots of fantastic news to share. In July we were once again awarded the coveted Green Flag Award for Ashby



Bath Grounds. The news that the Bath Grounds has achieved the accreditation

 the international quality mark for parks and green spaces - is testament to the hard work and dedication of the team that care for it.

On Tuesday
1st August we
were pleased to
also announce
the purchase
of the Bath
Grounds following
many years
of neaotiation.



Ownership of the Bath Grounds protects them from further development and allows longer term plans to be put in place. We are committed to improving and enhancing them for the benefit of everybody and would welcome suggestions and ideas from the people of Ashby.

Following the elections earlier this year the new Council have met and agreed their strategic aims. These include a key target of making the council's

activities carbon neutral by 2030, boosting support for community organisations, facilities and events, improving connectivity with a focus on walking, cycling and transport links, continuing to improve our parks, cemetery and other green spaces and positive planning for the future of the town

