

AWRE PARISH COUNCIL
&
BURIAL AUTHORITY

Report for the Press of Meeting held on 19th September 2016

There were no objections or observations with regard to the following Planning Application: A two storey rear and side extension with associated works at Chapel House, Brains Green.

Notice has been received regarding the granting of permission for a single storey extension to first floor level to the rear of the property and construction of a retaining wall at Forest View, Blakeney Hill (Revised plan).

Councillor's are pleased that the scheme to clear sections of Blackpool Brook in Blakeney has been completed. It was felt that the contractors responsible should be commended for the quality of their work.

In response to a request from residents in Brook Street, Blakeney to have the trees along the stream above the weir reduced in height, the County Council has agreed to remove the trees on the Brook Street side of the stream and to leave the trees on the A48 side of the stream to act as a barrier form noise and fumes.

The person who was dumping kitchen waste in plastic bags into Blackpool Brook, has been summoned to a meeting at the District Council Offices and warned as to her behaviour, with the threat of a heavy fine. She has promised not to continue with the practise.

Funding for a vehicle activated speed sign in Blakeney has been agreed. It is regrettable that members of the local community did not agree to the offer of the installation of a 'School Safety Zone from the County Council, as this would have been installed by now. The persons concerned wanted a more extensive scheme, which is unlikely to be granted in the current economic climate.

Rooftop Housing have responded to a letter from the Parish Council supporting concerns from residents of Butlers Mead and Blakeney School regarding trees bordering the new estate at Old Station Close. The trees are so tall that they overshadow residents houses, excluding light and sun and also posing a physical threat to their properties. Rooftop Housing has promised to address the problem.

Councillor Bullock is keen to repaint the red telephone box in Awre village. Any one able

to assist him in this task is asked to ring him on 517020.

Arrangements to produce next year's Annual Calendar were discussed and Cllr Fellows will pursue a local source for some suitable photographs. He will then work with Mr B Watters to get the calendar to the printers in good time. Arrangements regarding distribution will be discussed at the next meeting.

Concerns have been expressed about parking on the 'blind' bend on the Cinderford Road opposite the Old Baptist Chapel, Blakeney. These have been passed on to the County Highways.

With regard to the recent spate of accidents on the stretch of the A48 past Kites Farm, the meeting was informed that traffic lights were installed as a safety measure. County Highways are exploring the possibility of making a trial cut in the road surface in order to curb excess water and prevent further accidents.

The next meeting of the Awre Parish Council will be held on 17.10.2016 at Awre Village Hall @ 7.00pm. Members of the public are invited to attend and are able to address the meeting at the beginning.