

**DRAFT**  
**AWRE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**and BURIAL AUTHORITY**

Meeting held 12.12.2016 at Blakeney Recreation Centre.

Present: Cllr M Marshall – in the Chair

Councillors R Fellows, H Clarke, G Bullock, K Allen, P Deighton, K Stevenson, H Pike.  
Clerk D Preece. Also in attendance for part of the meeting;- County Councillor R  
Leppington and E Hale.

## **1.APOLOGIES**

Cllr A Blake accepted by the meeting. District Councillor G Hughes.

## **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

## **3. PUBLIC FORUM**

Mr E Hale requested a copy of regulations relating to Blakeney Cemetery.  
The Clerk is not aware of such a document. It was agreed to look into the matter.

Mr Hale feels that replacement gates should be provided for the Lych Gate at the Cemetery.  
It was agreed to look into the matter.

He stated that he thought that there should be a ‘Public Car Park’ sign directing people to the  
car park in Butlers Mead. It was agreed to request one.

The sloping pavement outside the Chip Shop in Blakeney is dangerous. To be reported to  
County Highways.

## **4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 14.11.2016, were approved, as circulated, and signed by  
the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

## **5. REPORT OF THE CLERK ON MATTERS ARISING SINCE THE LAST MEETING**

The Clerk reported that he had not yet submitted the Precept Request for 2017/8 to the  
District Council, as he was advised by fellow Clerk’s to await the Taxbase figures from  
FODDC. These figures can distort the percentages published, even though the Parish Council  
has not increased its precept. Clerk to investigate further.

An e mail has been received from County Highways stating that the proposed tree removal in  
Brook Street, Blakeney would commence today.

Cllr Bullock met with Mr Watkins, County Highways, who agreed to refer the drainage problems in Millend and Etloe Road to the 'Lengthsman Scheme'. County Councillor Leppington agreed to fund same.

## **6. MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21.11.2016**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21.11.16 were approved by the meeting, as circulated, and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

## **7. REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

Cllr Hughes was not present.

## **8. REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Cllr Leppington is concerned about the 'Adult Social Care' crisis. The Government's plans to allow Local Council's to raise the precept in order to provide additional funding are inadequate. His view is that the funding should be provided by the Government.

He is seeking a meeting with the 'Police & Crime Commissioner' to address the problem of the disappearing Police Force in the Forest.

## **9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

P1658/16/FUL. The Coach House, Newnham Road, Blakeney. First floor extension to building. No observations or objections.

## **10. DECISIONS RELATING TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

P1445/16/LBC. New House Farm, Awre. Listed building consent for 3 conservation windows to rear and 1 window to front of property. Granted.

P1387/16/LBC. Old Police Station, Church Square, Blakeney. Listed Building consent for replacement of existing asbestos sheet roof on barn and rear porch to steel roof. Granted.

P1503/16/FUL. Tump House, Brains Green. Proposed balcony to rear of property. Granted.

## **11. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING**

12-16-01 – Western Power – Workshop invitation – Noted.

12-16-02 – FODDC. – Information re; Xmas & New Year office closures – Noted.

12-16-03 – County Highways – Details of proposed School Safety Zone and Speed Reduction Measures – Cllrs Stevenson & Pike to obtain feedback from local people/school etc.

12-16-04 – FODDC – Request for details re asbestos register and electrical inspections relating to Blakeney toilets – Clerk to pursue.

12-16-05 – Forest of Dean Childrens Opportunity Centre- Funding request – Deferred to October Meeting.

12-16-06 – Forest Routes – Transport information - Noted and circulated.

12-16-07 – Planning Inspectorate – Notice of failure of appeal regarding Land at the A48, Awre, Newnham – Noted.

## 12. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were proposed by Cllr Deighton, seconded by Cllr Fellows and agreed for payment.

Payee	Amount	For	Authority
Blakeney & District Recreation Centre	£18.00	Hall hire 14.11.16	1
Highbury Garden & Lawn Services	£150.00	Cemetery Mtce.	2
Farm & Country Suppliers	£72.89	Supply of bulbs	3
MJ Fisher	£888.00	Grass cutting	4
D Williams ( Mynett)	£327.60	Toilet security and cleaning – 13 weeks	5
Blakeney & District Rec Centre	£18.00	Room hire 12.12.16	1
D Preece	£253.28	Clerk's expenses	6
D Preece	£1099.82	Clerk's salary (3 months)	7
PATA	£12.50	Payroll services	7
Highbury Garden & Lawn Services	£150.00	Cemetery Mtce.	2
HMRC	£274.80	Clerk's tax (3 months)	7
The Telecottage	£27.80	December newsletter	8

<p>Authority for payment – Local Govt Act 1972 unless otherwise stated.            1 – s134(4). 2 – s214. 3 – Highways Act 1980 s.96. 4 – Open Spaces Act 1906 ss9/10. 5 - Public Health Act 1936 s.87. 6 – LG(FP)A 1963 s5. 7 – s112(2). 8 – s142 .</p>
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## 13. ARRANGEMENTS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF 2017 CALENDAR

In hand.

## 14. SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEBSITE PROTOCOL

Deferred to next meeting.

## 15. DATES AND VENUES FOR 2017

Deferred to next meeting.

## 16. MATTERS RELATING TO THE CEMETERY

Confirmed that Cllr Allen ask the Contractor to clear the lower path of encroaching shrubs and apply weed killer to the path alongside the side hedge.

## 17. OTHER MATTERS CONCERNING THE COUNCIL

Cllr Bullock stated that he now had help to proceed with the painting of the red telephone box in Awre.

He has planted bulbs in locations in Awre and Blakeney.

The Chairman wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.30 pm. Light refreshments were provided.